

3. Two- and three-dimensional systems

Systems involving irregular boundaries (2 or 3 dimensional)

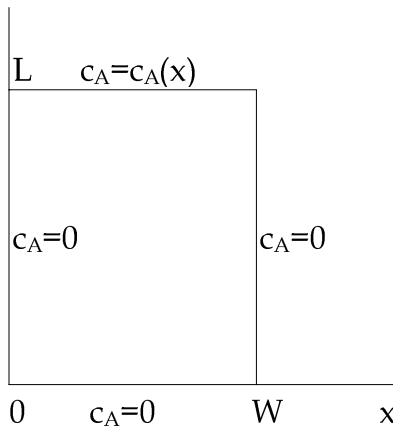
Concentration profiles for 2 or 3 spatial coordinates

(1) Analytical solution

2-dimensional system & no net bulk motion within the system

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$$N_A = -N_B$$



$$\text{GE: } \frac{\partial^2 c_A}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 c_A}{\partial y^2} = 0 : \text{Laplace equation}$$

$$\text{BC.'s: } c_A = 0 \text{ at } x=0, x=W \text{ \& } y=0$$

$$c_A = c(x) \text{ at } y=L$$

Solution by separation of variables

$$c_A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{W} \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{L}$$

$$\vec{J}_A = -D_{AB} \nabla c_A$$

(2) Graphical solution by flux plotting

Potential field plot of mass-flow and constant-concentration lines

Direction of mass flow

$$\text{Mass flow per tube : } N_{A,x} \Delta x = D_{AB} \Delta c_A$$

(3) Analogical solution

Similar to electrical potential distribution

Analog field plotter

(4) Numerical solution

Finite differences of partial differentials

$$\frac{\partial^2 c_A}{\partial x^2} = \frac{c_{A,i+1,j} - 2c_{A,i,j} + c_{A,i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 c_A}{\partial y^2} = \frac{c_{A,i,j+1} - 2c_{A,i,j} + c_{A,i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2}$$

$$\frac{c_{A,i+1,j} - 2c_{A,i,j} + c_{A,i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2} + \frac{c_{A,i,j+1} - 2c_{A,i,j} + c_{A,i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2} = 0$$

$$\text{For } \Delta x = \Delta y, \quad c_{A,i+1,j} + c_{A,i-1,j} + c_{A,i,j+1} + c_{A,i,j-1} - 4c_{A,i,j} = 0$$

4. Simultaneous momentum, heat, and mass transfer

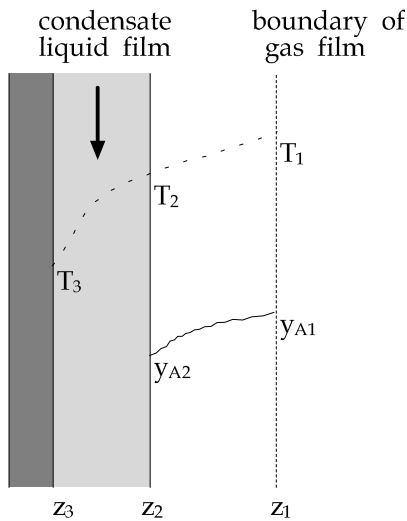
simultaneous transfer of mass, energy and momentum
drying of a wet surface, by a hot, dry gas

(1) Simultaneous heat and mass transfer

Heat flux by energy transfer: $\frac{q_D}{A} = \sum_{i=1}^n N_i \bar{H}_i$ - the heat flux due to the diffusion of mass,
where \bar{H}_i is the partial molar enthalpy of species i.

- total energy transport by conduction and diffusion: $\frac{q}{A} = -k \nabla T + \sum_{i=1}^n N_i \bar{H}_i$
- total energy transport by convection and diffusion: $\frac{q}{A} = h \Delta T + \sum_{i=1}^n N_i \bar{H}_i$

Example: condensation of moist vapor on a cold window plane



- Heat transfer by natural convection

$$Nu_L = 0.68 + \frac{0.670 Ra_L^{1/4}}{[1 + (0.492/Pr)^{9/16}]^{4/9}}$$

- Mass transfer in the gas phase : Fick's law

$$N_{A,z} = \frac{-cD_{AB}}{1-y_A} \frac{dy_A}{dz} = \frac{(cD_{AB})_{avg}(y_{A1} - y_{A2})}{(z_2 - z_1)y_{B,lm}}$$

- Total energy flux through the liquid film

$$\frac{q_z}{A} = h_{liquid}(T_2 - T_3) = h_c(T_1 - T_2) + N_{A,z}M_A(H_1 - H_2)$$

- Solution by trial and error method

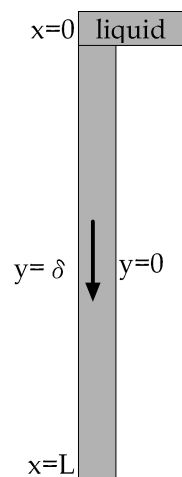
Guess the temperature of the liquid surface,

$$\rightarrow T_2, h_c \text{ and } (cD_{AB})_{avg} \rightarrow y_{A2} \text{ from } y_{A2} = x_A P_A / P$$

$$\rightarrow N_{A,z} \rightarrow h_{liquid} \text{ from Eq. 21-20} \rightarrow \text{Check Eq. 26-70}$$

(2) Simultaneous momentum and mass transfer

absorption: wetted wall column: width W , $0 \leq y < \delta$, & $0 \leq x \leq L$



- Falling film velocity profile in fully developed region: $v_x = 2v_{max} \left(\frac{y}{\delta} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y}{\delta} \right)^2 \right)$

- Molar flux: $N_{A,x} = x_A(N_{A,x} + N_{B,x}) = c_A v_x$ & $N_{A,y} = -D_{AB} \frac{\partial c_A}{\partial y}$

$$\text{G.E.: } v_x \frac{\partial c_A}{\partial x} - D_{AB} \frac{\partial^2 c_A}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \because \quad \frac{\partial N_{A,x}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N_{A,y}}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\text{B.C.'s: } c_A = 0 \text{ at } x=0, \quad \frac{\partial c_A}{\partial y} = 0 \text{ at } y=0, \quad \& \quad c_A = c_{A0} \text{ at } y=\delta$$

Solution by Johnstone and Pigford (1942),

$$\frac{c_A|_{x=L} - c_A|_{y=\delta}}{c_A|_{x=0} - c_A|_{y=\delta}} = 0.7857e^{-5.1213n} + 0.01e^{-39.318n} + 0.035e^{-105.64n} + \dots$$

$$\text{where } n = D_{AB}L / \delta^2 v_{max}$$

Example: Penetration model

"solute A penetrates only a short distance, a slow rate of diffusion or short time"

$$\text{G.E. : } v_{\max} \frac{\partial c_A}{\partial x} = D_{AB} \frac{\partial^2 c_A}{\partial y^2} ;$$

B.C.'s : $c_A = 0$ at $x = 0$, $c_A = c_{A0}$ at $y = \delta$, & $c_A = 0$ at $y = -\infty$

Solution by using Laplace transforms:

$$c_A(x, \xi) = c_{A0} \left(1 - \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{\xi}{\frac{4D_{AB}x}{v_{\max}}} \right) \right) = c_{A0} \left(1 - \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{\xi}{4D_{AB}t_{\text{exp}}} \right) \right)$$

where $t_{\text{exp}} (= x/v_{\max})$ is the time of exposure.

$$\text{Unidirectional mass flux: } N_{A,y}|_{y=\delta} = c_{A0} \sqrt{\frac{D_{AB}v_{\max}}{\pi x}} \quad \text{or} \quad c_{A0} \sqrt{\frac{D_{AB}}{\pi t_{\text{exp}}}}$$

rapid chemical disappearance of the diffusing component,

mass flux $\propto \sqrt{D_{AB}} \sim$ penetration model : unsteady-state model

cf.) mass flux $\propto D_{AB} \sim$ film model : steady-state model