

King Saud University
Department of Chemical Engineering

TEST-1: Part-1 (Closed Book)

Mass Transfer (CHE 318)

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(4) For the diffusion of gas B through the stagnant non-diffusing gas C a binary mixture of B and C, the flux of B (N_B) is given by,

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(c) $cD_{BC} \frac{d(x_B)}{dz} + \frac{c_B}{c} (N_B)$	(d) $cD_{CB} \frac{d(x_B)}{dz} + \frac{c_B}{c} (N_B)$

(5) The permeability of polymer A is more than ten times higher than the polymer B for the oxygen gas. For packaging a high value pharmaceutical product (medicine), it required to keep the diffusion flux of atmospheric oxygen to the medicine as low as possible to avoid its oxidation to increase the shelf life (product expiry). Based on your mass transfer knowledge, which of the following options will you choose

(a) 0.5 mm film of polymer A	(b) 0.5 mm film of polymer B
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- 6) At $P = 1$ atm and $T = 298$ K, a mixture of Hydrogen and Ammonia contains 10 mole% Hydrogen. The diffusivity of Hydrogen in this mixture is $0.783 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$. What will be the molecular diffusivity of Hydrogen in the mixture containing 20 mole% Hydrogen at $P = 1$ atm and $T = 350$ K.

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- (7) Write appropriate SI units for k'_c used in molar flux of solute A in equi-molar counter-diffusion,

$$N_A = k'_c(c_{A1} - c_{A2})$$

- (8) Write down appropriate SI units for k_G used in molar flux of solute A diffusing through stagnant, non-diffusing B, $N_A = k_G(p_{A1} - p_{A2})$

- (9+10) Write the relationship between k'_c and k_G

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Compare your results with experimental value by computing the % error.

Data: At 25 degree C, the viscosity of water at is 0.9×10^{-3} Pa.s.

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$V_A = 2(0.0148) + 6(0.0037) + 1(0.0074) = 0.0592 \frac{m^3}{kg \text{ mol}}$	
$D_{AB} = 1.173 \times 10^{-16} \times (2.6 \times 18)^{1/2} \left(\frac{298}{0.9 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.0592^{0.6}} \right) = 1.45 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s}$	
$D_{AB}(Exptl) = 1.25 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s}$	
$\% \text{ Error} = \frac{ 1.45 \times 10^{-9} - 1.25 \times 10^{-9} }{1.26 \times 10^{-9}} \times 100 = 16.9$	

Question 2: Hydrogen gas at 2.0 atm and 298 K C is flowing in a two-layered tube of 2.0 mm inside diameter and 4.0 mm outside diameter. Calculate the leakage of hydrogen through a tube 5 m long in kg mol H_2 /s at steady state. These layers are arranged as follows:

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$\bar{N}_A = 2.5 \times 10^{-11} \frac{kgmol}{s}$

Question 3 (Based on Example in Book):

A tube is coated on the inside with naphthalene and has an inside diameter of 20 mm and a length of 1.1-m. Air at 318 K and an average pressure of 101.3 kPa flows through this pipe at a velocity of 0.80 m/s. The surface temperature of the naphthalene can be assumed to be at 318 K and its vapor pressure at 318 K is 74 Pa = 2.8×10^{-5} (kg mol/m³). The exit concentration is found to be 1.5×10^{-5} kg mol/m³. Assume that the D_{AB} of naphthalene in air at 318 K is 6.92×10^{-6} m²/s. For air, $\mu = 1.932 \times 10^{-5}$ Pa·s, $\rho = 1.114$ (kg/m³).

Using the overall material balance, determine the mass transfer coefficient.

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Cross-sectional area of the packed bed,

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Mass transfer area of tube: $A = \pi D_c L = \pi \times 20 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.1 = 0.0691 \text{ m}^2$

Volumetric flow rate in m³/s: $V = v \times \frac{\pi}{4} D_c^2 = 0.8 \times \frac{\pi}{4} (20 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 2.51 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$

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Compute mass transfer rate, N_A , in kg mol/s using the material balance,

$$N_A A = V(C_{A2} - C_{A1}) = 2.51 \times 10^{-4} (1.5 \times 10^{-5} - 0) = 3.765 \times 10^{-9}$$

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$$k_c = 8.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s}$$