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List of 29 Important Formulas in Mass Transfer Coefficient, Driving Force and Theories

Important Formulas in Mass Transfer Coefficient, Driving Force and Theories

1) Average Mass Transfer Coefficient by Penetration Theory

$$fx \quad k_L (Avg) = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{D_{AB}}{\pi \cdot t_c}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.028465m/s = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{0.007m^2/s}{\pi \cdot 11s}}$$

2) Average Sherwood Number of Combined Laminar and Turbulent Flow

$$fx \quad Sh = ((0.037 \cdot (Re^{0.8})) - 871) \cdot (Sc^{0.333})$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 1074.78 = ((0.037 \cdot ((500000)^{0.8})) - 871) \cdot ((12)^{0.333})$$

3) Average Sherwood Number of Flat Plate Turbulent Flow

$$fx \quad Sh = 0.037 \cdot (Re^{0.8})$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 1340.842 = 0.037 \cdot ((500000)^{0.8})$$



4) Average Sherwood Number of Internal Turbulent Flow

$$fx \quad Sh = 0.023 \cdot (Re^{0.83}) \cdot (Sc^{0.44})$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 3687.336 = 0.023 \cdot ((500000)^{0.83}) \cdot ((12)^{0.44})$$

5) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient

$$fx \quad k_L = \frac{m_a A}{\rho_{a1} - \rho_{a2}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.45m/s = \frac{9kg/s/m^2}{40kg/m^3 - 20kg/m^3}$$

6) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient for Simultaneous Heat and Mass Transfer

$$fx \quad k_L = \frac{h_{transfer}}{c \cdot \rho_L \cdot (L_e^{0.67})}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 4E^{-5}m/s = \frac{13.2W/m^2 \cdot K}{120J/(kg \cdot K) \cdot 1000kg/m^3 \cdot ((4.5)^{0.67})}$$



7) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient of Flat Plate in Combined Laminar Turbulent Flow

$$\text{fx } k_L = \frac{0.0286 \cdot u_\infty}{(\text{Re}^{0.2}) \cdot (\text{Sc}^{0.67})}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.004118\text{m/s} = \frac{0.0286 \cdot 10.5\text{m/s}}{\left((500000)^{0.2}\right) \cdot \left((12)^{0.67}\right)}$$

8) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient of Flat Plate Laminar Flow using Drag Coefficient

$$\text{fx } k_L = \frac{C_D \cdot u_\infty}{2 \cdot (\text{Sc}^{0.67})}$$

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$$\text{ex } 29.80088\text{m/s} = \frac{30 \cdot 10.5\text{m/s}}{2 \cdot \left((12)^{0.67}\right)}$$

9) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient of Flat Plate Laminar Flow using Friction Factor

$$\text{fx } k_L = \frac{f \cdot u_\infty}{8 \cdot (\text{Sc}^{0.67})}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.156455\text{m/s} = \frac{0.63 \cdot 10.5\text{m/s}}{8 \cdot \left((12)^{0.67}\right)}$$



10) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient of Flat Plate Laminar Flow using Reynolds Number

$$fx \quad k_L = \frac{u_\infty \cdot 0.322}{(Re^{0.5}) \cdot (Sc^{0.67})}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.000905m/s = \frac{10.5m/s \cdot 0.322}{((500000)^{0.5}) \cdot ((12)^{0.67})}$$

11) Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient through Liquid Gas Interface

$$fx \quad k_L = \frac{m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot H}{(m_1 \cdot H) + (m_2)}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.006833m/s = \frac{0.3m/s \cdot 0.7m/s \cdot 0.023}{(0.3m/s \cdot 0.023) + (0.7m/s)}$$

12) Fractional Resistance Offered by Gas Phase

$$fx \quad FR_g = \frac{\frac{1}{k_y}}{\frac{1}{K_y}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.84966 = \frac{\frac{1}{90mol/s \cdot m^2}}{\frac{1}{76.46939mol/s \cdot m^2}}$$



13) Fractional Resistance Offered by Liquid Phase

Open Calculator 

$$\text{fx } FR_1 = \frac{\frac{1}{k_x}}{\frac{1}{K_x}}$$

$$\text{ex } 0.183673 = \frac{\frac{1}{9.2\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2}}{\frac{1}{1.689796\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2}}$$

14) Gas Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient by Two Film Theory

Open Calculator 

$$\text{fx } K_y = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k_y}\right) + \left(\frac{H}{k_x}\right)}$$

$$\text{ex } 73.46939\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{90\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2}\right) + \left(\frac{0.023}{9.2\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2}\right)}$$

15) Gas Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient using Fractional Resistance by Gas Phase

Open Calculator 

$$\text{fx } k_y = \frac{K_y}{FR_g}$$

$$\text{ex } 89.99999\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2 = \frac{76.46939\text{mol/s}^*\text{m}^2}{0.84966}$$



16) Heat Transfer Coefficient for Simultaneous Heat and Mass Transfer

$$fx \quad h_{\text{transfer}} = k_L \cdot \rho_L \cdot c \cdot (L_e^{0.67})$$

Open Calculator 

ex

$$3122.894 \text{W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K} = 9.5 \text{e-}3 \text{m/s} \cdot 1000 \text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 120 \text{J/(kg} \cdot \text{K)} \cdot ((4.5)^{0.67})$$

17) Liquid Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient by Two Film Theory

$$fx \quad K_x = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k_y \cdot H}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{k_x}\right)}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 1.689796 \text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{90 \text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot 0.023}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{9.2 \text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2}\right)}$$

18) Liquid Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient using Fractional Resistance by Liquid Phase

$$fx \quad k_x = \frac{K_x}{FR_1}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 9.200024 \text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 = \frac{1.689796 \text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2}{0.183673}$$

19) Local Sherwood Number for Flat Plate in Laminar Flow

$$fx \quad Sh_x = 0.332 \cdot (Re_1^{0.5}) \cdot (Sc^{0.333})$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.563231 = 0.332 \cdot ((0.55)^{0.5}) \cdot ((12)^{0.333})$$



20) Local Sherwood Number for Flat Plate in Turbulent Flow

$$\text{fx } Sh_x = 0.0296 \cdot (Re_1^{0.8}) \cdot (Sc^{0.333})$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 0.041971 = 0.0296 \cdot ((0.55)^{0.8}) \cdot ((12)^{0.333})$$

21) Logarithmic Mean of Concentration Difference

$$\text{fx } C_{bm} = \frac{C_{b2} - C_{b1}}{\ln\left(\frac{C_{b2}}{C_{b1}}\right)}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 12.33152 \text{mol/L} = \frac{10 \text{mol/L} - 15 \text{mol/L}}{\ln\left(\frac{10 \text{mol/L}}{15 \text{mol/L}}\right)}$$

22) Logarithmic Mean Partial Pressure Difference

$$\text{fx } P_{bm} = \frac{P_{b2} - P_{b1}}{\ln\left(\frac{P_{b2}}{P_{b1}}\right)}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 10748.06 \text{Pa} = \frac{10500 \text{Pa} - 11000 \text{Pa}}{\ln\left(\frac{10500 \text{Pa}}{11000 \text{Pa}}\right)}$$

23) Mass Transfer Boundary Layer Thickness of Flat Plate in Laminar Flow

$$\text{fx } \delta_{mx} = \delta_{hx} \cdot (Sc^{-0.333})$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 3.715794 = 8.5 \text{m} \cdot ((12)^{-0.333})$$



24) Mass Transfer Coefficient by Film Theory

$$\text{fx } k_L = \frac{D_{AB}}{\delta}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 1.4\text{m/s} = \frac{0.007\text{m}^2/\text{s}}{0.005\text{m}}$$

25) Mass Transfer Coefficient by Surface Renewal Theory

$$\text{fx } k_L = \sqrt{D_{AB} \cdot s}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 0.009165\text{m/s} = \sqrt{0.007\text{m}^2/\text{s} \cdot 0.012/\text{s}}$$

26) Mass Transfer Stanton Number

$$\text{fx } St_m = \frac{k_L}{u_\infty}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 0.000905 = \frac{9.5\text{e-}3\text{m/s}}{10.5\text{m/s}}$$

27) Overall Gas Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient using Fractional Resistance by Gas Phase

$$\text{fx } K_y = k_y \cdot FR_g$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 76.4694\text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 = 90\text{mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot 0.84966$$



28) Overall Liquid Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient using Fractional Resistance by Liquid Phase

fx $K_x = k_x \cdot FR_l$

Open Calculator 

ex $1.689792 \text{ mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 = 9.2 \text{ mol/s} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot 0.183673$

29) Sherwood Number for Flat Plate in Laminar Flow

fx $Sh = 0.664 \cdot (Re^{0.5}) \cdot (Sc^{0.333})$

Open Calculator 

ex $1074.04 = 0.664 \cdot ((500000)^{0.5}) \cdot ((12)^{0.333})$



Variables Used









- **c** Specific Heat (*Joule per Kilogram per K*)
- **C_{b1}** Concentration of Component B in Mixture 1 (*Mole per Liter*)
- **C_{b2}** Concentration of Component B in Mixture 2 (*Mole per Liter*)
- **C_{bm}** Logarithmic Mean of Concentration Difference (*Mole per Liter*)
- **C_D** Drag Coefficient
- **D_{AB}** Diffusion Coefficient (DAB) (*Square Meter Per Second*)
- **f** Friction Factor
- **FR_g** Fractional Resistance Offered by Gas Phase
- **FR_l** Fractional Resistance Offered by Liquid Phase
- **H** Henry's Constant
- **h_{transfer}** Heat Transfer Coefficient (*Watt per Square Meter per Kelvin*)
- **k_L (Avg)** Average Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient (*Meter per Second*)
- **k_L** Convective Mass Transfer Coefficient (*Meter per Second*)
- **k_x** Liquid Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient (*Mole per Second Square Meter*)
- **K_x** Overall Liquid Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient (*Mole per Second Square Meter*)
- **k_y** Gas Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient (*Mole per Second Square Meter*)
- **K_y** Overall Gas Phase Mass Transfer Coefficient (*Mole per Second Square Meter*)
- **L_e** Lewis Number







- m_1 Mass Transfer Coefficient of Medium 1 (Meter per Second)
- m_2 Mass Transfer Coefficient of Medium 2 (Meter per Second)
- $m_a A$ Mass Flux of Diffusion Component A (Kilogram per Second per Square Meter)
- P_{b1} Partial Pressure of Component B in Mixture 1 (Pascal)
- P_{b2} Partial Pressure of Component B in Mixture 2 (Pascal)
- P_{bm} Logarithmic Mean Partial Pressure Difference (Pascal)
- Re Reynolds Number
- Re_l Local Reynolds Number
- s Surface Renewal Rate (1 Per Second)
- Sc Schmidt Number
- Sh Average Sherwood Number
- Sh_x Local Sherwood Number
- St_m Mass Transfer Stanton Number
- t_c Average Contact Time (Second)
- u_∞ Free Stream Velocity (Meter per Second)
- δ Film Thickness (Meter)
- δ_{mx} Mass Transfer Boundary Layer Thickness at x
- ρ_{a1} Mass Concentration of Component A in Mixture 1 (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)
- ρ_{a2} Mass Concentration of Component A in Mixture 2 (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)
- ρ_L Density of Liquid (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)
- δ_{hx} Hydrodynamic Boundary Layer Thickness (Meter)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:** **pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Function:** **ln**, $\ln(\text{Number})$
Natural logarithm function (base e)
- **Function:** **sqrt**, $\sqrt{\text{Number}}$
Square root function
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Time** in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Pressure** in Pascal (Pa)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Specific Heat Capacity** in Joule per Kilogram per K ($\text{J}/(\text{kg}\cdot\text{K})$)
Specific Heat Capacity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Heat Transfer Coefficient** in Watt per Square Meter per Kelvin ($\text{W}/\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}$)
Heat Transfer Coefficient Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Molar Concentration** in Mole per Liter (mol/L)
Molar Concentration Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Mass Flux** in Kilogram per Second per Square Meter ($\text{kg}/\text{s}/\text{m}^2$)
Mass Flux Unit Conversion 



- **Measurement: Density** in Kilogram per Cubic Meter (kg/m^3)
Density Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Diffusivity** in Square Meter Per Second (m^2/s)
Diffusivity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Molar Flux of Diffusing Component** in Mole per Second Square Meter ($\text{mol/s}\cdot\text{m}^2$)
Molar Flux of Diffusing Component Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Time Inverse** in 1 Per Second ($1/\text{s}$)
Time Inverse Unit Conversion 



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