

Outline

Simplified Models for Interphase Mass Transfer

Interphase mass transfer

- Mass balances at interfaces (phase boundaries, etc)
- Mass transfer coefficients

Film Theory

- gives us insight into defining mass transfer coefficients for a very specific case...

The “Bootstrap Problem”

- given diffusive fluxes, can we find the total fluxes?

Solution procedure - Film Theory

Interphase Mass Transfer

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Interface Balance Equations

Generic transport equation
(mass-averaged velocity):

$$\frac{\partial \rho_t \Psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_t \Psi \mathbf{v}) + \nabla \cdot \Phi = \zeta$$

Assumes that Ψ is a continuous function.

Concept: solve the governing equations in each phase, and connect them with an appropriate balance at the interface (boundary condition).

Balance at the interface surface

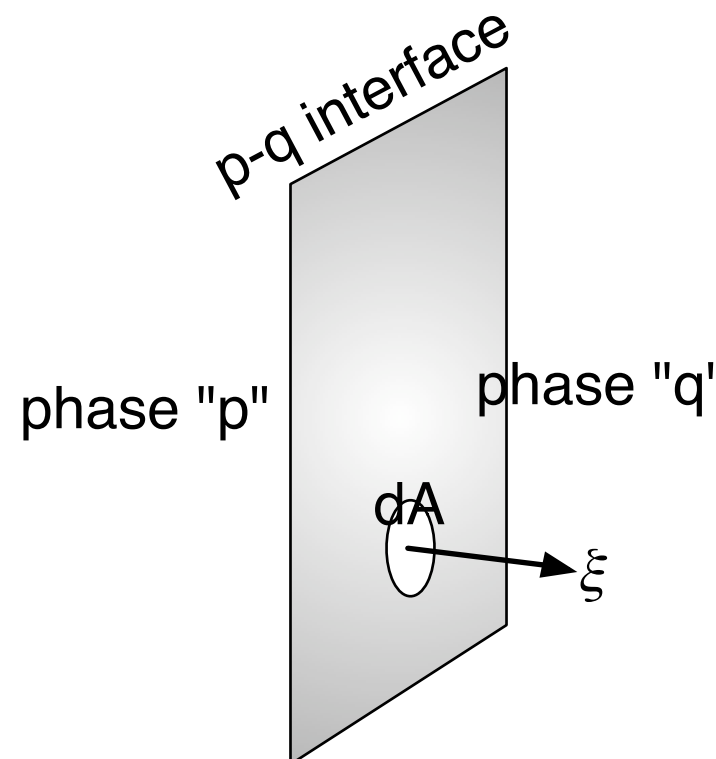
$$\underbrace{\int_S (\Phi^q + \rho_t^q \Psi^q (\mathbf{v}^q - \mathbf{u}^I)) \cdot \xi \, dS}_{\text{Flux of } \Psi \text{ from } q \text{ side}} - \underbrace{\int_S (\Phi^p + \rho_t^p \Psi^p (\mathbf{v}^p - \mathbf{u}^I)) \cdot \xi \, dS}_{\text{Flux of } \Psi \text{ from } p \text{ side}} = \int_S \underbrace{\zeta^I}_{\text{Interfacial generation of } \Psi} \, dS$$

\mathbf{u}^I Interface velocity

\mathbf{v} Mass-avg. velocity

Ψ Quantity we are conserving

Φ Non-convective (diffusive) flux



Note that if $\zeta^I = 0$
and $\mathbf{u}^I = 0$
then $\mathbf{n}_i^p \cdot \xi = \mathbf{n}_i^q \cdot \xi$

\mathbf{u}^I may be related to ζ^I
(e.g. ablation)

We would need a model for this.

Interfacial Balance Equations

$$\int_S \underbrace{(\Phi^q + \rho_t^q \Psi^q (\mathbf{v}^q - \mathbf{u}^I)) \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}}_{\text{Flux of } \Psi \text{ from } q \text{ side}} dS - \int_S \underbrace{(\Phi^p - \rho_t^p \Psi^p (\mathbf{v}^p - \mathbf{u}^I)) \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}}_{\text{Flux of } \Psi \text{ from } p \text{ side}} dS = \int_S \underbrace{\zeta^I}_{\text{Interfacial generation of } \Psi} dS$$

	Continuity	Momentum	Energy	Species
Ψ	1	\mathbf{v}	$e_0 = u + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}$	ω_i
Φ	0	$p\mathbf{I} + \boldsymbol{\tau}$	$\mathbf{q} + (p\mathbf{I} + \boldsymbol{\tau}) \cdot \mathbf{v}$	\mathbf{j}_i
ζ	0	$\sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \mathbf{f}_i$	$\sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \mathbf{f}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_i$	σ_i
ζ^I	0	0	0	σ_i^I

“Bulk”
Governing Equations

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{v}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v}) - \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} - \nabla p + \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \rho \mathbf{f}_i$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho \omega_i}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \omega_i \mathbf{v}) - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_i + s_i$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho e_0}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho e_0 \mathbf{v}) - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} - \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{v}) - \nabla \cdot (p \mathbf{v}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_s} \mathbf{f}_i \cdot (\rho_i \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{j}_i)$$

Mass Transfer Coefficients

Solution Options:

- Resolve the spatial gradients, solve equations as we have thus far, with appropriate interface BCs (flux matching at interface)
- Model the diffusion process at a “larger” scale between interface and “bulk”

Discrete approximation to Fick's Law for diffusion normal to the interface:

$$(J^p) \approx -c_t^p [D^p] \frac{(x_I^p) - (x_b^p)}{L}$$

Note that if L is “big” then we may miss important features.

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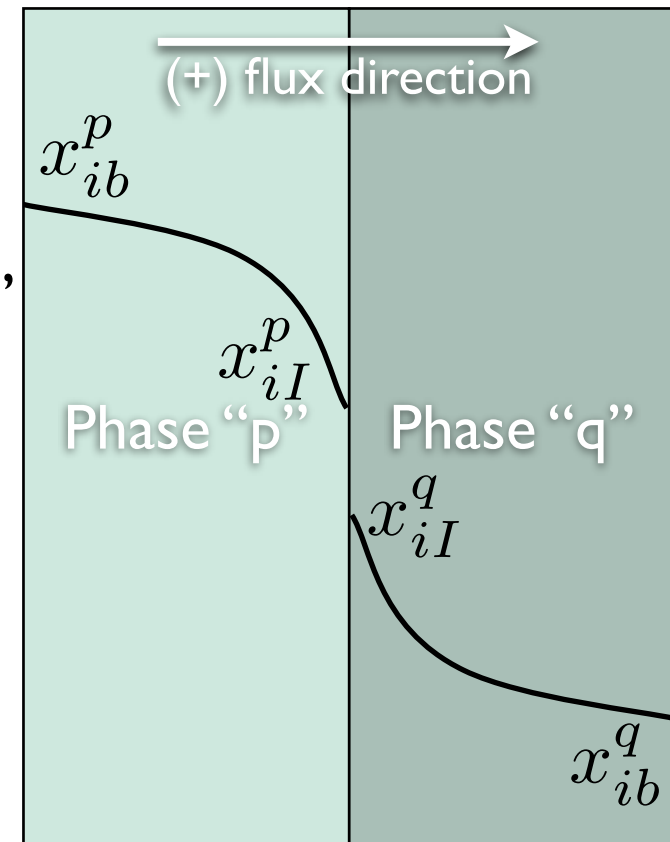
$$(J) \approx c_t [k_b^\bullet] (\Delta x)$$

$$\Delta x_i^p \equiv x_{ib}^p - x_{iI}^p$$

$$\Delta x_i^q \equiv x_{iI}^q - x_{ib}^q$$

Mass transfer coefficient

- Incorporates “boundary layer” thickness and D_{ij} .
- If L is “large,” then we are really burying a lot of physics in D/L .
- Is a function of J itself!
- Must be corrected to account for the fact that we are burying more physics in this description.
- Often used for turbulent boundary layers also (more later)



“Low-flux”
M.T. coefficient

$$[k_b^\bullet] = [k_b] [\Xi_b]$$

More later
(patience)

Correction
Matrix

Comparison w/ Fick's Law

Fick's Law

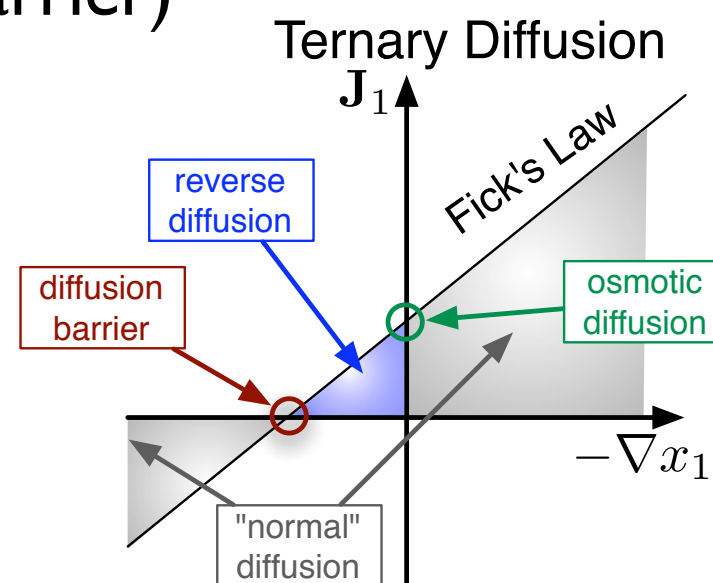
$$(\mathbf{J}) = -c_t [D] (\nabla x)$$

- Fick's law can be derived from irreversible thermodynamics.
- $[D]$ are unique (for a given composition and ordering)
- Can describe multicomponent effects (osmotic diffusion, reverse diffusion, diffusion barrier)

M.T. Coeff Approach

$$(J) = c_t [k_b^\bullet] (\Delta x)$$

- Empirical equation.
- $[k_b^\bullet]$ defined by (J) and (Δx) . This means that there are $n-1$ equations defining a matrix with $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ elements. This implies that the $[k_b^\bullet]$ are *not unique*.
- Can describe multicomponent effects (osmotic diffusion, reverse diffusion, diffusion barrier)



Binary Mass Transfer Coefficients

$$k_b = \frac{J_{1b}}{c_t \Delta x_1} \quad \text{"Low-flux limit," binary system}$$

$$k_b = \lim_{N_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{N_{1b} - x_{1b} N_t}{(x_{1b} - x_{1I})}$$

$$k_b^\bullet = k_b \Xi_b$$

This defines the low-flux MTC

$k_b [=] \text{ m/s}$ Is it a velocity?

$$k_b = \frac{J_{1b}}{c_t \Delta x_1},$$

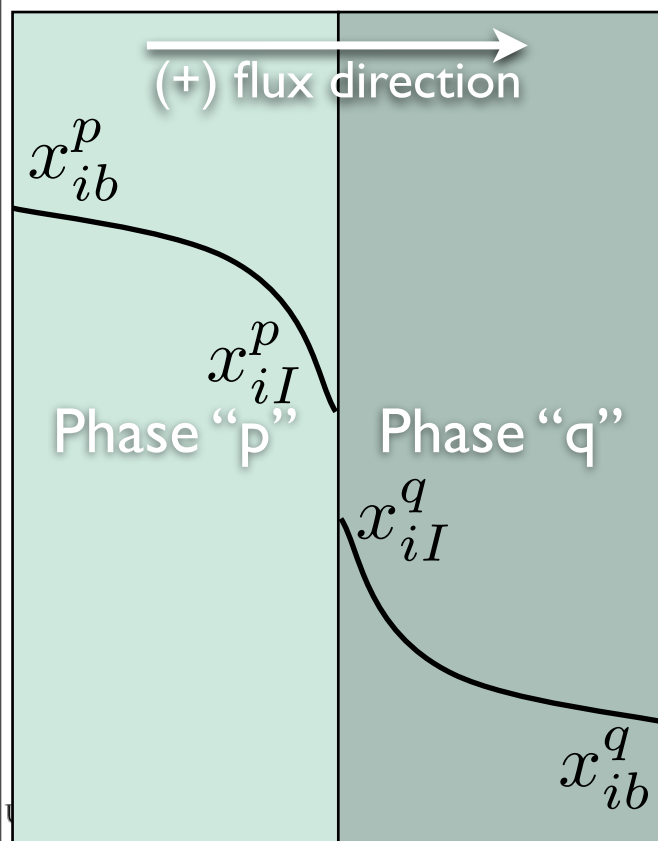
$$J_{1b} = c_t x_{1b} (u_1 - u)$$

$$k_b = \frac{(u_1 - u)}{\Delta x_1 / x_{1b}}$$

$$(u_1 - u) = \frac{k_b \Delta x_1}{x_{1b}}$$





For a binary system, $k_b > 0$, and is maximized when $\Delta x_I = 1$ (which also implies $x_{1b} = 1$)

k_b - maximum velocity (relative to mixture velocity) at which a component can be transferred in a binary system.



Summary & a Path Forward

$$(J) = c_t [k_b^\bullet] (\Delta x) \quad [k_b^\bullet] = [k_b] [\Xi_b]$$

-  MTC Approach is useful when we don't want to resolve the diffusion path
 - Interfaces, boundary layers, turbulence, etc.
-  Formulation is a true multicomponent formulation
 - Can describe osmotic diffusion, reverse diffusion, diffusion barrier.
-  Still need to determine how to get $[k_b]$ and $[\Xi_b]$
 - $[k_b]$ cannot be uniquely determined by (J) and (Δx) .
 - $[k_b]$ must be corrected ... how do we get $[\Xi_b]$?
 - We will return to this later:
 - ▶ Film theory (turbulent boundary layer theory)
 - ▶ Correlations (heat-transfer analogies)
-  Can we get the total fluxes from (J) ?
 - We will consider this issue soon. But first ... Film Theory!

Film Theory

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Perspective

$$(J) = c_t [k_b^\bullet] (\Delta x) \quad [k_b^\bullet] = [k_b] [\Xi_b]$$

- 📌 We want to approximate J_i using Δx_i rather than resolving ∇x_i .
 - Need a way to get $[\Xi_b]$ and $[k_b]$.
 - *Film Theory* is one way to get $[\Xi_b]$ and $[k_b]$. It uses an *analytic solution* to the Maxwell-Stefan equations to deduce what $[\Xi_b]$ and $[k_b]$ should be.
- 📌 To get N_i :
 - Could solve governing equations (momentum) & fully resolve everything...
 - This defeats the purpose of using the MTC approach!
 - Use the “bootstrap” approach (inject specific knowledge of the problem to get N_i from J_i). More soon!

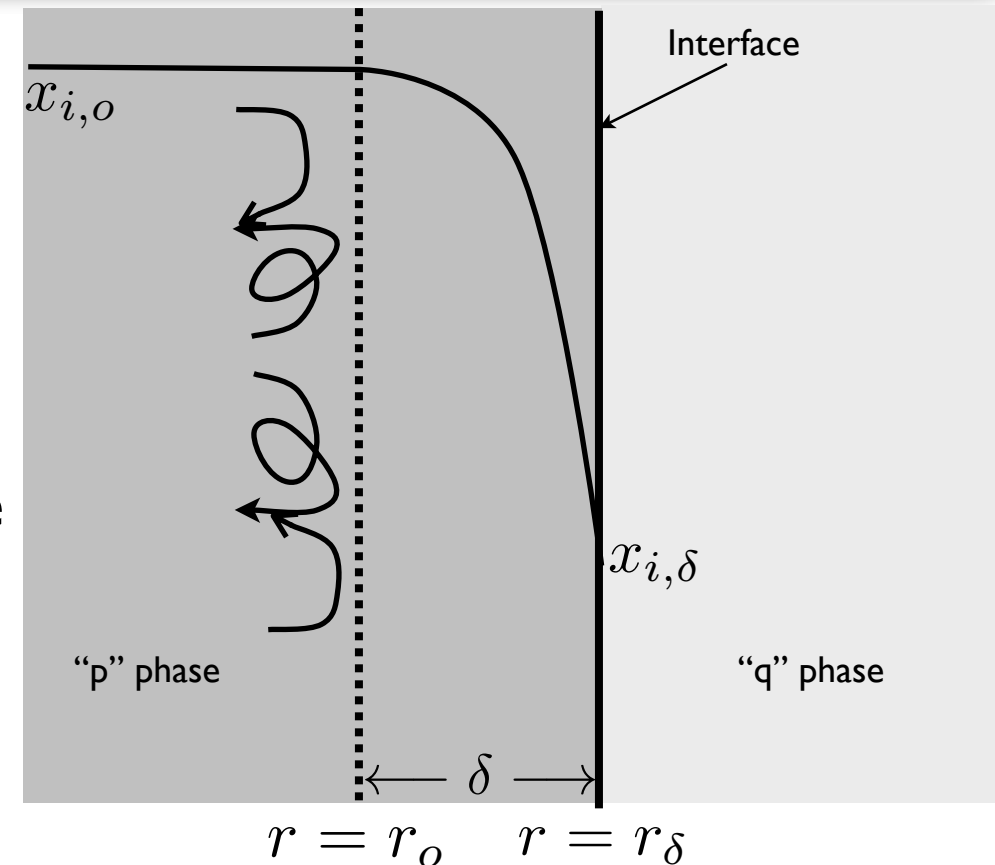
Formulation - Film Theory

Concepts:

- Mass transfer occurs in a thin "film" or boundary layer. Outside of this, the composition is uniform due to well-mixedness (e.g. turbulence).
- Gradients in the boundary-tangential direction are negligible compared to boundary-normal gradients.

Formulation:

- One-dimensional continuity and species at steady-state w/o reaction:
- Constitutive relations (i.e. expressions for J_i) given by either GMS or Fick's Law.
- Boundary conditions: known compositions



$$\nabla \cdot N_t = 0, \quad \nabla \cdot N_i = 0$$

\Downarrow

$$N_t = \text{const.}, \quad N_i = \text{const.}$$

$$x_i = x_{i0} \quad r = r_0$$

$$x_i = x_{i\delta} \quad r = r_\delta.$$

Assumptions:

- Steady-state
- I-D
- No reaction
- Isothermal
- Ideal mixtures $[I]=[I]$.
- “small” pressure gradients
- uniform body forces

Normalized coordinate: $\eta \equiv \frac{r - r_0}{\ell}, \quad \ell \equiv r_\delta - r_0$

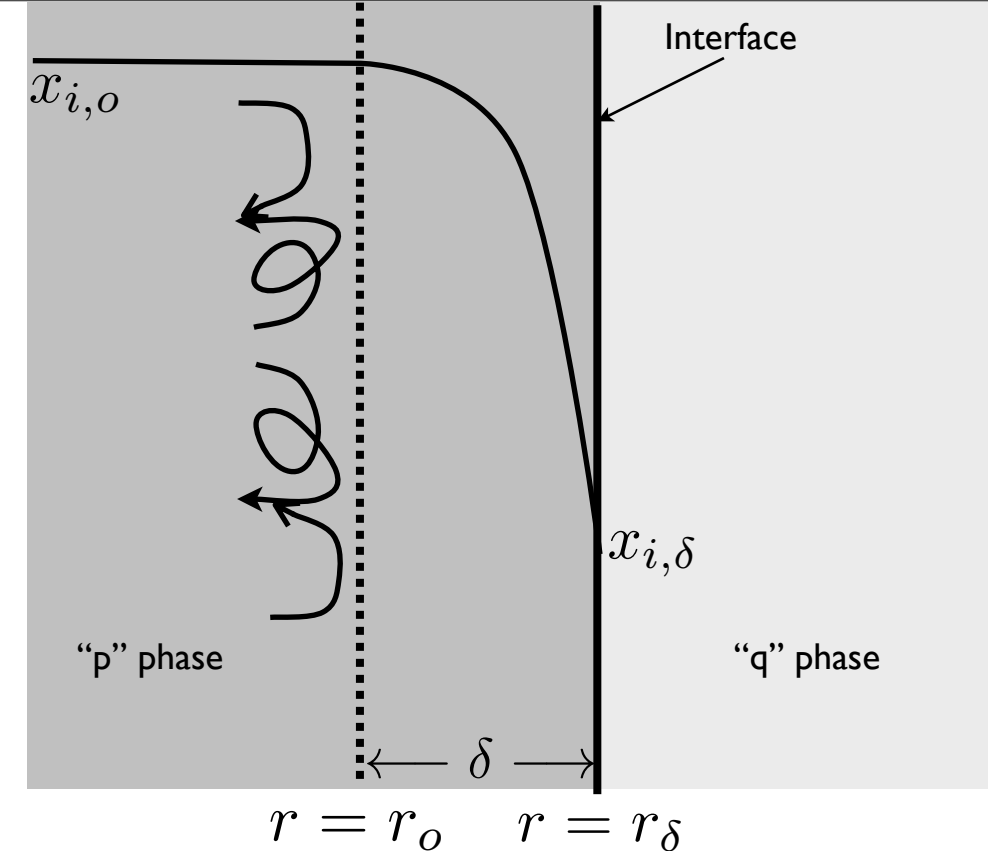
GMS:

$$\frac{dx_i}{dr} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(x_i N_j - x_j N_i)}{c_t D_{ij}}$$

GMS ($n-1$ dim) in terms of normalized coordinate.

$$\frac{dx_i}{d\eta} = \Phi_{ii} x_i + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{n-1} \Phi_{ij} x_j + \phi_i$$

$$\frac{d(x)}{d\eta} = [\Phi](x) + (\phi)$$



$$\Phi_{ii} = \frac{N_i}{c_t D_{in}/\ell} + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^n \frac{N_k}{c_t D_{ik}/\ell},$$

$$\Phi_{ij} = -N_i \left(\frac{1}{c_t D_{ij}/\ell} - \frac{1}{c_t D_{in}/\ell} \right),$$

$$\phi_i = -\frac{N_i}{c_t D_{in}/\ell}$$

Analytic solution (assuming N_i are all constant)
see T&K Appendix B

$$(x - x_0) = \left[\exp [[\Phi]\eta] - [I] \right] \left[\exp[\Phi] - [I] \right]^{-1} (x_\delta - x_0)$$

Matrix exponential!
 $\exp[\Phi] \neq [\exp(\Phi_{ij})]!$

Given the total fluxes (to get Φ), we can obtain the compositions analytically!

$$(x - x_0) = \left[\exp [[\Phi]\eta] - [I] \right] \left[\exp[\Phi] - [I] \right]^{-1} (x_\delta - x_0)$$

From the solution, we can calculate the diffusive fluxes and use them to help us determine what the MTCs are for this problem.

Fick's Law: $(J) = -c_t[D] \frac{d(x)}{dr}$

$$(J) = -\frac{c_t}{\ell} [D] \frac{d(x)}{d\eta} = c_t [k_b^\bullet] (\Delta x)$$

MTC Formulation: $(J) = c_t [k_b^\bullet] (\Delta x) \quad [k_b^\bullet] = [k_b][\Xi_b]$

$$\frac{d(x)}{d\eta} = [\Phi] [\exp [[\Phi]\eta] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1} (x_\delta - x_0)$$

$$\frac{d(x)}{d\eta} = [\Phi] [\exp[[\Phi]\eta] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1} (x_\delta - x_0)$$

At $\eta=0$

$$(J_0) = \frac{c_t}{\ell} [D_0] [\Phi] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1} (x_0 - x_\delta)$$



$$[k_0^\bullet] = \frac{1}{\ell} [D_0] [\Phi] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1}$$

**Low-flux
limit:**

$$k_b = \lim_{N_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{N_{1b} - x_{1b} N_t}{(x_{1b} - x_{1I})} = \frac{J_{1b}}{c_t \Delta x_1}$$



$$[k_0] = \frac{1}{\ell} [D_0]$$



**Correction
matrix:**

$$[\Xi_0] = [\Phi] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1}$$

At $\eta=1$

$$(J_\delta) = \frac{c_t}{\ell} [D_\delta] [\Phi] [\exp[\Phi]] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1} (x_0 - x_\delta)$$

$$[k_\delta] = \frac{1}{\ell} [D_\delta]$$

$$[\Xi_\delta] = [\Phi] \exp[\Phi] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1} = [\Xi_0] \exp[\Phi]$$



Re-Cap

- We can now easily solve for (x) given (N) .
 - Assumes (N) is constant.
- We can also easily solve for (J) directly given (N) .
- We must specify:
 - $[\Phi]$, which is a function of (x) , (N) , D_{ij} and ℓ .
 - $[k]$, the low-flux MTC matrix.
 - $[\Xi]$ - the correction factor matrix.
- Coming soon: solution procedure

Calculating $[k]$

$$[k] = \frac{1}{\ell} [D]$$

$$R_{ii} = \frac{x_i}{\kappa_{in}} + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^n \frac{x_k}{\kappa_{ik}},$$

$$R_{ij} = -x_i \left(\frac{1}{\kappa_{ij}} - \frac{1}{\kappa_{in}} \right),$$

$$\kappa_{ij} \equiv \frac{D_{ij}}{\ell} \quad \text{Binary low-flux limit MTC}$$

← compare →

$$B_{ii} = \frac{x_i}{D_{in}} + \sum_{j \neq i}^n \frac{x_j}{D_{ij}},$$

$$B_{ij} = -x_i \left(\frac{1}{D_{ij}} - \frac{1}{D_{in}} \right)$$

$$[k] = [R]^{-1}$$

$$[k] = \frac{1}{\ell} [B]^{-1}$$

Notes

- We have a routine to calculate $[B]$ given (x) and $[D]$. We can re-use this to get $[R]$ by passing in (x) and $[\kappa]$.
- Alternatively, just calculate $[B]^{-1}$ and then scale by ℓ .

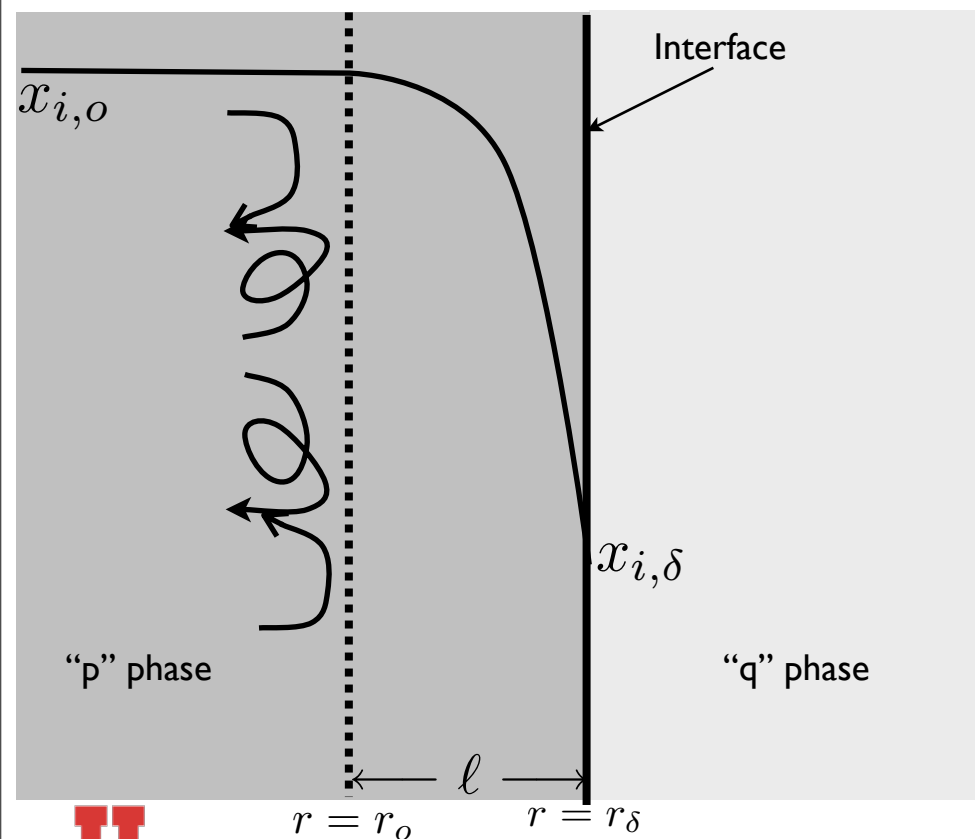
Calculating $[\Xi]$

Recall what we found for $[\Xi]$ from film theory:

$$\text{At } r = r_0 (\eta=0) \quad [\Xi_0] = [\Phi] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1}$$

$$\text{At } r = r_\delta (\eta=1) \quad [\Xi_\delta] = [\Phi] \exp[\Phi] [\exp[\Phi] - [I]]^{-1} = [\Xi_0] \exp[\Phi]$$

recall: $\exp[\Phi]$ is a matrix exponential;
 $\exp[\Phi] \neq [\exp(\Phi_{ij})]!$



$$[\Xi] = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\Xi}_i \left\{ \frac{\prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^m \left[[\Phi] - \hat{\Phi}_j [I] \right]}{\prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^m \left[\hat{\Phi}_i - \hat{\Phi}_j [I] \right]} \right\}$$

$$\hat{\Xi}_{i0} = \frac{\hat{\Phi}_i}{\exp \hat{\Phi}_i - 1} \quad \hat{\Xi}_{i\delta} = \frac{\hat{\Phi}_i \exp \hat{\Phi}_i}{\exp \hat{\Phi}_i - 1}$$

m - number of eigenvalues of Φ

OR, see “**expm**” function in MATLAB.

Shortcuts...

Re-use the `B_matrix.m` code
by passing different arguments!

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{ii} &= \frac{x_i}{D_{in}} + \sum_{j \neq i}^n \frac{x_j}{D_{ij}}, \\
 B_{ij} &= -x_i \left(\frac{1}{D_{ij}} - \frac{1}{D_{in}} \right)
 \end{aligned}
 \Rightarrow
 \boxed{
 \begin{aligned}
 B_{ii} &= \frac{\alpha_i}{\beta_{in}} + \sum_{j \neq i}^n \frac{\alpha_j}{\beta_{ij}}, \\
 B_{ij} &= -\alpha_i \left(\frac{1}{\beta_{ij}} - \frac{1}{\beta_{in}} \right)
 \end{aligned}
 }
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 \alpha_i &= x_i \\
 \beta_{ij} &= D_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi_{ii} &= \frac{N_i}{c_t D_{in} / \ell} + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^n \frac{N_k}{c_t D_{ik} / \ell}, \\
 \Phi_{ij} &= -N_i \left(\frac{1}{c_t D_{ij} / \ell} - \frac{1}{c_t D_{in} / \ell} \right)
 \end{aligned}
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 \alpha_i &= N_i \\
 \beta_{ij} &= \frac{c_t}{\ell} D_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

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 R_{ij} &= -x_i \left(\frac{1}{\kappa_{ij}} - \frac{1}{\kappa_{in}} \right), \\
 \kappa_{ij} &\equiv \frac{D_{ij}}{\ell}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 [k] = [R]^{-1}
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 \alpha_i &= x_i \\
 \beta_{ij} &= \frac{1}{\ell} D_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

The “Bootstrap” Problem

Getting N_i from J_i and Physical Insight

The “Bootstrap” Problem

If we know the diffusive fluxes, can we obtain the total fluxes?

$J_i \xrightarrow{\text{Bootstrap Problem}} N_i$ Can be solved for some special cases.

General problem formulation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i N_i = 0$$

ν_i are determinacy coefficients
(values depend on the
specific case/assumptions)

Species Molar Flux: $N_i = J_i + x_i N_t$

$$\nu_i N_i = \nu_i J_i + \nu_i x_i N_t$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i N_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i J_i + N_t \sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i x_i = 0$$

Solve for N_t :
$$N_t = - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i J_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i x_i \right)^{-1}$$

remove the n^{th} diffusive flux:

$$N_t = - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \underbrace{\frac{\nu_k - \nu_n}{\sum_{j=1}^n \nu_j x_j}}_{\Lambda_k} J_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_i &= J_i + x_i N_t \\ &= J_i - x_i \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \Lambda_k J_k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_i &= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \beta_{ik} J_k \\ \beta_{ik} &\equiv \delta_{ik} - x_i \Lambda_k \end{aligned}$$

If we can get β_{ik} (or Λ_k),
we can solve
the problem!

Solving the Bootstrap Problem

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i N_i = 0 \quad N_i = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \beta_{ik} J_k \quad \beta_{ik} \equiv \delta_{ik} - x_i \Lambda_k \quad \Lambda_k = (\nu_k - \nu_n) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \nu_j x_j \right)^{-1}$$

Bootstrap matrix

Equimolar counterdiffusion: $N_t = 0$

- Isobaric, closed systems...

$$N_i = J_i \implies \nu_i = \nu_n, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\beta_{ik} = \delta_{ik}$$

Stefan Diffusion: $N_n = 0$

One component has a zero flux, $N_n=0$.

- Condensation/evaporation
- Absorption (similar to condensation)

$$\nu_i = 0, \quad \nu_n \neq 0, \quad (N_n = 0)$$

$$\beta_{ik} = \delta_{ik} + \frac{x_i}{x_n}$$

Flux ratios specified: $N_i = z_i N_t$

- Condensation of mixtures (T&K Ch. 15)
- Chemical reaction where the chemistry is fast relative to the diffusion (diffusion-controlled).

$$N_i = x_i N_t + J_i$$

$$N_i = x_i \frac{N_i}{z_i} + J_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n N_i \left(1 - \frac{x_i}{z_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n J_i = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i N_i = 0 \implies \nu_i = 1 - \frac{x_i}{z_i}$$

$$\beta_{ik} = \frac{\delta_{ik}}{1 - x_i/z_i}$$

Using the Bootstrap Matrix

$$N_i = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \beta_{ik} J_k$$

Write this in matrix form:

$$\begin{aligned} N_t &= -(\Lambda)^T(J) \\ (N) &= [\beta](J) \end{aligned}$$

Use with MTCs:

In the “bulk:”

$$\begin{aligned} (J_b) &= c_{t,b}[k_b^\bullet](\Delta x_b) \\ (N_b) &= [\beta_b](J_b) = c_{t,b}[\beta_b][k_b^\bullet](\Delta x_b) \end{aligned}$$

At the interface:

$$\begin{aligned} (J_I) &= c_{t,I}[k_I^\bullet](\Delta x_I) \\ (N_I) &= [\beta_I](J_I) = c_{t,I}[\beta_I][k_I^\bullet](\Delta x_I) \end{aligned}$$

$$(N_I) = (N_b) \quad (\text{no reaction in boundary layer})$$

Binary System

$$\begin{aligned} N_1 = c_t \beta_I k_I^\bullet \Delta x_1 &= c_t \beta_b k_b^\bullet \Delta x_1 \\ \Downarrow \\ \beta_I k_I^\bullet &= \beta_b k_b^\bullet = \frac{N_1}{c_t \Delta x_1} \end{aligned}$$

Multicomponent System

$$[\beta_I][k_I^\bullet](\Delta x) = [\beta_b][k_b^\bullet](\Delta x)$$

Since $[A](x)=[B](x)$ doesn't imply that $[A]=[B]$, we cannot conclude anything about the relationship between $[\beta_b][k_b^\bullet]$ and $[\beta_I][k_I^\bullet]$.

Re-Cap

- 📌 Bootstrap problem: exists because we don't want to solve all of the governing equations, but we want to get the total fluxes anyway.
- 📌 Interphase mass transfer: simplified approach to avoid fully resolving interfaces.
 - Non-uniqueness of MTCs

Film Theory: A “Simple” Solution Procedure

Given (x_0) , (x_δ) , c_t , κ_{ij} ,

1. Compute $[k]=[D]/\ell$.
2. Compute $[\beta]$ from the appropriate expressions given the specific problem.
3. Estimate $(N)=c_t[\beta][k](\Delta x)$. (This does not employ the correction matrix since we don't yet have $[\Xi]$).
4. Calculate $[\Phi]$
5. Calculate $[\Xi]$
6. Calculate $(J)=c_t[k][\Xi](\Delta x)$.
7. Calculate $(N)=[\beta](J)$.
8. Check for convergence on (N) . If not converged, return to step 4.

$$\Phi_{ii} = \frac{N_i}{c_t D_{in}/\ell} + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^n \frac{N_k}{c_t D_{ik}/\ell},$$

$$\Phi_{ij} = -N_i \left(\frac{1}{c_t D_{ij}/\ell} - \frac{1}{c_t D_{in}/\ell} \right)$$

Uses successive substitution to converge (N) . This could lead to poor convergence (or no convergence) depending on the guess for (N) .

Note: we could use “better” ways to iterate (N) to improve convergence.

See Algorithms 8.2 & 8.3 in T&K (pp. 180, 182)

Nonideal Systems

Recall we assumed $[\Gamma]=[I]$. What if that is not valid???

Approach:

- Repeat original analysis, retaining $[\Gamma]$.
- Write $[D]=[\Gamma][B]^{-1}$.
- We can re-use the original results directly, using $[D]=[\Gamma][B]^{-1}...$ (typically also approximate $[\Gamma]$ as constant)
- See also T&K §8.7.2, §8.8.4

Estimation of MTCs $[k]$

Motivation:

- Prior approaches have required knowledge of ℓ .
- What if we don't know this? (often the case)
- Idea: use correlations (dimensionless groups)

Sherwood number: $[Sh] = d[k][D]^{-1}$ often correlated as function of Re, $[Sc]$.

Stanton number: $[St] = [k]/u$ often correlated as function of $[Sc]$.

$$[Sc] = \nu[D]^{-1}$$

These typically correlate the low-flux MTCs. Still need to apply $[E]$.



Correlations abound! Be sure that the one you use is appropriate!