

## CM3120: Module 3

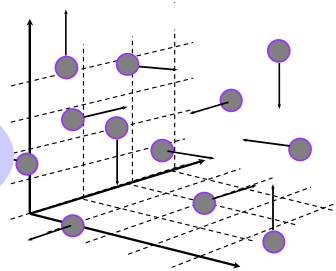
### Diffusion and Mass Transfer I

- I. Introduction to diffusion/mass transfer
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- V. **Microscopic species A mass balance**
- VI. Classic diffusion and mass transfer—c): 1D Mass transfer with chemical reaction

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Module 3 Lecture V  
**Microscopic Species A Balances**  
(3 versions)




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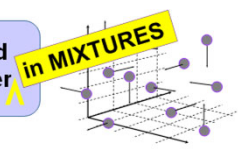
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**Now, Cycling Back:**  
Diffusion and Mass Transfer



CM3120 Transport/Unit Operations 2

**Diffusion and Mass Transfer**





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We began a few weeks ago...

*What is the species A mass balance?*

*Why are there so many versions?*

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QUESTION:

Why so many versions of species A flux?

Law of Species Diffusion

**Species Fluxes**

The community has found use for **four** (actually more) different fluxes. The differences in the various fluxes are related to several questions:

*Flux of what? And due to what mechanism?*

$N_A$  – combined molar flux (includes convection and diffusion)  
 $\dot{M}_A$  – combined mass flux (includes convection and diffusion)  
 $J_A$  – mass flux (diffusion only)  
 $\bar{J}_A$  – molar flux (diffusion only)

Microscopic species A mass balance

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial n_A}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \bar{J}_A \right) = \rho n_A \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}_A$$

rate of change
convection
diffusion
source

mass of species A generated by homogeneous reaction per time

*Written relative to what velocity?*

$N_A$  – relative to stationary coordinates  
 $\dot{M}_A$  – relative to stationary coordinates  
 $J_A$  – relative to the mass average velocity  $\mathbf{v}$   
 $\bar{J}_A$  – relative to the molar average velocity  $\mathbf{v}^*$

These different definitions lead to different forms for the microscopic species mass balance and for the transport law.

Answer:

“Breaking into” the continuum view to analyze the motion of individual species in a mixture complicates the situation. There are several options, and none is perfect.

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The average speed of A molecules in a region of space has a **bulk motion** contribution and a **diffusion** contribution.

"Flux" of Species A in a Mixture with Species B

### Describing Binary Diffusion

A mixture of two species: *What goes where and why*

- There are many **molecules** of species A in some **region** of interest
- In the region of interest,  $v_A$  is the **average velocity** (speed and direction) of the A molecules:

$$v_A = \frac{1}{n_T} \sum_{i=1}^{n_T} v_{A,i} \quad (\text{a regular average})$$

- The motion of A **molecules** is a combination (potentially) of
  - bulk motion**—this is the motion caused by driving pressure gradients, by moving boundaries, by all the causes studied for homogeneous materials when we studied momentum conservation with the continuum approach
  - Diffusion**—this motion is caused primarily by concentration gradients.
  - These two motions need not be collinear**

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(in a region of space)

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velocity of molecules of species *A*, on average

Each has advantages and disadvantages.

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"Flux" of Species A in a Mixture with Species B

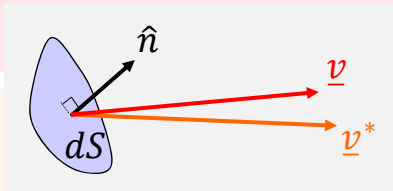
When we apply the other transport laws to mixtures of A and B, they work, if  $\underline{v}$  is the mass average velocity of the molecular velocities  $\underline{v}_A$  and  $\underline{v}_B$

**local mass flow** mass average velocity of individual molecules (continuum is divided into mass "particles")

$$\rho d\dot{V} = \rho(\hat{n} \cdot \underline{v}) dS$$

If, however, the molar average velocity  $\underline{v}^*$  of the molecules in a mixture is calculated, a local molar flow is readily obtained and **is not the same:**

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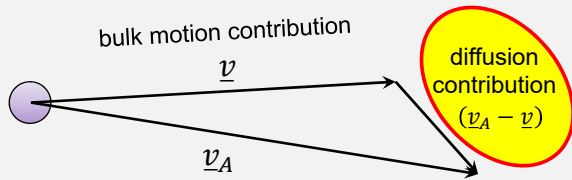
$$c d\dot{V} = c(\hat{n} \cdot \underline{v}^*) dS$$


Sorry about the re-used nomenclature:  $v^*$  = the molar average velocity © Faith A. Morrison, Michigan Tech U. 9

"Flux" of Species A in a Mixture with Species B

**First Approach**

**Choose: Bulk contribution expressed as  $\underline{v}$**



$\underline{v} = \omega_A \underline{v}_A + \omega_B \underline{v}_B$

**Start with mass flux:**

**Mass flux of A**  $\equiv \frac{\text{mass A diffusing}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$

$$= (\underline{v}_A - \underline{v}) \rho \omega_A \equiv \underline{j}_A = -\rho D_{AB} \nabla \omega_A$$

volumetric flow rate per area in the direction of diffusion

$$= \left( \frac{\cancel{\text{volume}}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{mass A}}{\cancel{\text{volume}}} \right)$$

Recall in a pipe:  $\frac{\dot{V}}{\text{area}} = \langle v \rangle$

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"Flux" of Species A in a Mixture with Species B Second Approach

Choose: Bulk contribution expressed as  $\underline{v}^*$

bulk motion contribution  $\underline{v}^*$

diffusion contribution  $(\underline{v}_A - \underline{v}^*)$

$\underline{v}_A$

$\underline{v}^* = x_A \underline{v}_A + x_B \underline{v}_B$

Start with molar flux:

**Molar flux of A**  $\equiv \frac{\text{moles A diffusing}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$

$= (\underline{v}_A - \underline{v}^*) c x_A \equiv J_A^* = ?$

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**Result:**  
 $\equiv J_A^* = -c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$   
**Fick's law in molar terms**

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Various forms of Fick's Law

**Summary:**

Possible fluxes so far:

$$J_A^* = (v_A - v^*) c x_A = \text{molar flux relative to molar average velocity } v^*$$

$$j_A = (v_A - v) \rho \omega_A = \text{mass flux relative to mass average velocity } v$$

Combined fluxes are also in use:

$$\underline{N}_A = c x_A v_A = \text{combined molar flux relative to stationary coordinates}$$

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**Also, it can be hard/impossible/pointless to separate convection and diffusion**

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### When do we use what?

**Four possible fluxes:**

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- $j_A$  = mass flux relative to mass average velocity  $v$
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- $n_A$  = combined mass flux relative to stationary coordinates

The fluxes  $J_A^*$  and  $j_A$  are used to describe the mass transfer in diffusion cells used for measuring the diffusion coefficient.

The fluxes relative to coordinates fixed in space  $n_A$  and  $N_A$  are often used to describe engineering operations within process equipment.

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The mass fluxes  $n_A$  and  $j_A$  are used when the Navier-Stokes equations are also required to describe the process (same  $v$ ), e.g. dimensional analysis.

Since chemical reactions are described in terms of moles of the participating reactants, the molar fluxes  $J_A^*$  and  $N_A$  are used to describe mass-transfer operations in which homogeneous chemical reactions are involved ( $R_A \neq 0$ )

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## Various forms of Fick's Law

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1. The mass fluxes  $\underline{n}_A$  and  $\underline{j}_A$  are used when the Navier-Stokes equations are also required to describe the process since they use  $\underline{v}$ .
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## Various forms of Fick's Law

**What now?****Four Fluxes.****Four Microscopic Species A Balances.**

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Various forms of Fick's Law

**What now?**

**Four Fluxes.**  
~~Four~~ **Microscopic Species A Balances.**  
**Three**

*(We do not often use the combined mass flux version,  $\underline{n}_A$ ).*

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**Next?**  
**Derive** (indicate derivation of)  
**Microscopic Species A Balances.** 

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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance

**Derivation of Microscopic Species A Mass balance (Quick tour)**

**Mass Balance: Body versus Control Volume**

Law of Mass Conservation: (on a **body**)  $\frac{dM_B}{dt} = 0$

Law of Mass Conservation: (on a **control volume**)  $\frac{dM_{CV}}{dt} = \iint_{CS} -(\hat{n} \cdot \underline{v})\rho dS$

  
 the usual convective term:  
 net mass convected in

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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance

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### Species A Mass Balance:

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Law of **Species A**  
Mass Conservation:  
(on a **body**, with homogeneous reaction)

$$\frac{dM_{A,B}}{dt} = r_A$$

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$$\frac{dM_{A,CV}}{dt} = \underbrace{\iint_{CS} -(\hat{n} \cdot \underline{v})\rho dS}_{\text{the usual convective term: net mass in from all sources}} + r_A$$

bulk flow PLUS mass of species A that **diffuses** into CV

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**Diffusion is the study of *species motion in mixtures*.**

bulk flow PLUS mass of species A that **diffuses** into CV

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### Species A Mass Balance, on a CV:

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Law of Species Mass Conservation: (on a control volume, with homogeneous reaction)

$$\frac{dM_{A,CV}}{dt} = \iint_{CS} -(\hat{n} \cdot \underline{v}) dS + r_A$$

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Law of Species Mass Conservation: (microscopic control volume, with homogeneous reaction)

$$\rho \left( \underbrace{\frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \omega_A}_{\text{convection}} \right) = -\underbrace{\nabla \cdot \underline{j}_A}_{\text{diffusion}} + r_A$$

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### Microscopic Species A Mass Balance, on a CV:

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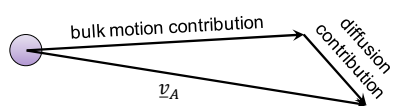
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**Diffusion:**  $\underline{j}_A [=] \frac{\text{mass } A}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$

↙

$\underline{j}_A \equiv$  mass flux of species A relative to a mixture's mass average velocity  $\underline{v}$



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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance

## Microscopic Species A Mass Balance, on a CV:

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The **Equation of Species Mass Balance** in Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical coordinates for binary mixtures of A and B. Two cases are presented: the general case, where the mass flux with respect to mass-average velocity ( $\underline{j}_A$ ) appears (p. 1), and the more usual case (p. 2), where the diffusion coefficient is constant and Fick's law has been incorporated.

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**In terms of mass flux,  $\underline{j}_A$**

**Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of mass flux; Gibbs notation**

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \omega_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \underline{j}_A + r_A$$

**Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of mass flux; Cartesian coordinates**

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + v_x \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial z} \right) = - \left( \frac{\partial j_{Ax}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial j_{Ay}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial j_{Az}}{\partial z} \right) + r_A$$

**Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of mass flux; cylindrical coordinates**

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial \theta} + v_z \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial z} \right) = - \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (r j_{Ar})}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial j_{A\theta}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial j_{Az}}{\partial z} \right) + r_A$$

**Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of mass flux; spherical coordinates**

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

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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance

## What is this mass conservation equation in terms of molar quantities?

Law of Species Mass Conservation: (microscopic control volume, with homogeneous reaction)

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In terms of **molar flux** and molar concentrations

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

$$= c D_{AB} \nabla^2 x_A + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$$

*And, likewise, we can reformulate in terms of combined molar flux.*

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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance

**Microscopic species A mass balance—Six forms**

In terms of **mass flux** and mass concentrations

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In terms of **combined molar flux** and molar concentrations

$$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \underline{N}_A + R_A$$

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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance

**Microscopic species A mass balance** — ~~Six~~ <sup>Five</sup> forms

In terms of mass flux and mass concentrations	$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \omega_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \underline{j}_A + r_A$ $= \rho D_{AB} \nabla^2 \omega_A + r_A$
In terms of molar flux and molar concentrations	$c \left( \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v}^* \cdot \nabla x_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \underline{J}_A^* + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$ $= c D_{AB} \nabla^2 x_A + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$
In terms of combined molar flux and molar concentrations	$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \underline{N}_A + R_A$

(The combined molar flux version cannot easily have Fick's law substituted in.)

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**Various forms of Fick's Law** (and the species mass balances that employ them)

Mass flux

$$\underline{j}_A = -\rho D_{AB} \nabla \omega_A$$

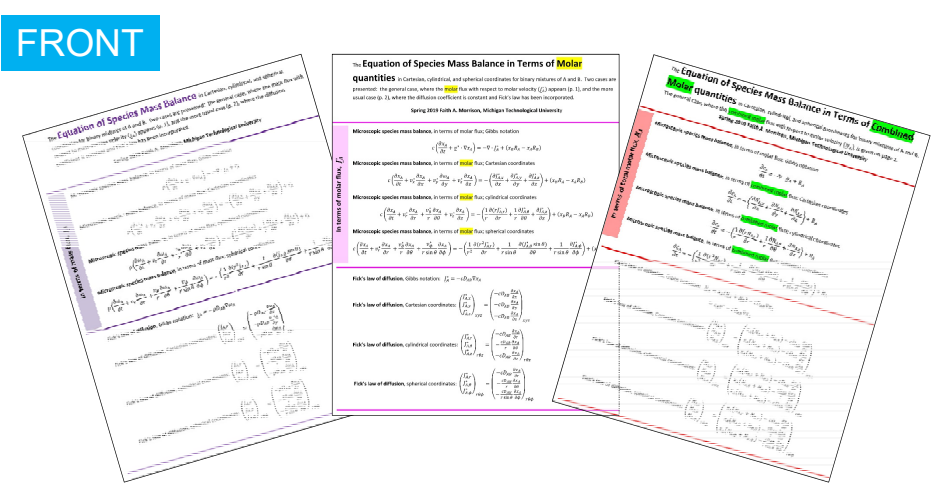
Molar flux

$$\underline{J}_A^* = -c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$$

Combined molar flux

$$\underline{N}_A = x_A (\underline{N}_A + \underline{N}_B) - c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$$

**FRONT**



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### Various forms of Fick's Law (and the species mass balances that employ them)

**Mass flux**

$$\underline{j}_A = -\rho D_{AB} \nabla \omega_A$$

**Molar flux**

$$\underline{J}_A^* = -c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$$

**Combined molar flux**

$$\underline{N}_A = x_A(\underline{N}_A + \underline{N}_B) - c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$$

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### SUMMARY: Various quantities in diffusion and mass transfer

How much is present:  $cx_A = c_A = \frac{1}{M_A}(\rho_A) = \frac{1}{M_A}(\rho\omega_A)$

$\underline{j}_A \equiv$  **mass flux** of species  $A$  relative to a mixture's **mass average velocity**,  $\underline{v}$   
 $= \rho_A(\underline{v}_A - \underline{v})$   
 $\underline{j}_A + \underline{j}_B = 0$ , i.e. these fluxes are measured relative to the mixture's center of mass

$\underline{n}_A \equiv \rho_A \underline{v}_A = \underline{j}_A + \rho_A \underline{v} =$  **combined mass flux** relative to **stationary coordinates**  
 $\underline{n}_A + \underline{n}_B = \rho \underline{v}$

$\underline{J}_A^* \equiv$  **molar flux** relative to a mixture's **molar average velocity**,  $\underline{v}^*$   
 $= c_A(\underline{v}_A - \underline{v}^*)$   
 $\underline{J}_A^* + \underline{J}_B^* = 0$

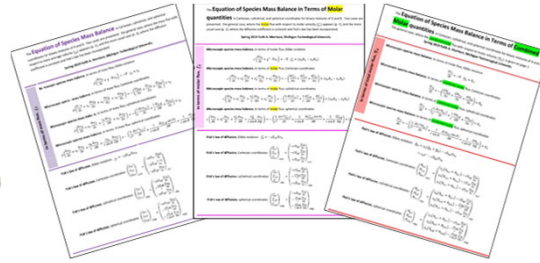
$\underline{N}_A \equiv c_A \underline{v}_A = \underline{J}_A^* + c_A \underline{v}^* =$  **combined molar flux** relative to **stationary coordinates**  
 $\underline{N}_A + \underline{N}_B = c \underline{v}^*$

$\underline{v}_A \equiv$  velocity of species  $A$  in a mixture, i.e. average velocity of all molecules of species  $A$  within a small volume  
 $\underline{v} = \omega_A \underline{v}_A + \omega_B \underline{v}_B \equiv$  **mass average velocity**; same velocity as in the microscopic momentum and energy balances  
 $\underline{v}^* = x_A \underline{v}_A + x_B \underline{v}_B \equiv$  **molar average velocity**

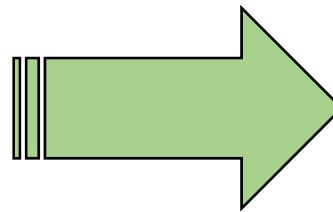
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Various forms of the Microscopic Species A Mass Balance	
	<b>Five</b> <del>Six</del> forms
In terms of mass flux and mass concentrations	$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \omega_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_A + r_A$ $= \rho D_{AB} \nabla^2 \omega_A + r_A$
In terms of molar flux and molar concentrations	$c \left( \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}^* \cdot \nabla x_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_A + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$ $= c D_{AB} \nabla^2 x_A + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$
In terms of combined molar flux and molar concentrations	$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{N}_A + R_A$



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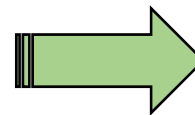
1D Steady Diffusion

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1D Steady Diffusion Problems

- 1D simple rectangular mass transfer (evaporating tank, **Ex 1**) **QUICK START**
- 1D radial mass transfer (evaporating droplet, **Ex 2**) **QUICK START**
- More...



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