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The *-j-* Factor of Chilton and Colburn

- For forced convection in tubes

$$Nu = 0.023 Re^{0.8} Pr^{0.33}$$

If both sides are divided by the product (Re.Pr)

$$\frac{Nu}{Re.Pr} = St = \frac{h}{\rho C_p u} = 0.023 Re^{-0.2} . Pr^{-0.67}$$

$$St.Pr^{0.67} = j_h = 0.023 Re^{-0.2}$$

i.e for heat transfer

$$j_h = St.Pr^{0.67}$$

Chilton and Colburn found that a plot of (j_h) against (Re) gave approximately the same curve as the friction chart for flow through tubes .

By analogy with the derivation gives above for heat transfer Chilton and Colburn have derived a factor for mass transfer (j_d) which they have expressed as :

$$j_d = \frac{h_D}{u} \cdot \frac{C_{Bm}}{C_T} \left(\frac{\mu}{\rho D} \right)^{0.67}$$

Where :

C_{Bm} : The logarithmic mean of the conc. of B

$$\frac{C_{B2} - C_{B1}}{\ln \frac{C_{B2}}{C_{B1}}}$$

C_T : total concentration

$\frac{\mu}{\rho D}$: Schmidt number

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** Gilliland and Sherwood found the following relation for mass transfer (h_D) inside vertical tubes .

$$\frac{h_D}{u} \cdot \frac{C_{Bm}}{C_T} Sc^{0.56} = 0.023 Re^{-0.17} = j_d$$

For a plane surface $j_h \approx j_d$

$$St \cdot Pr^{0.67} = \frac{h_D}{u} \cdot \frac{C_{Bm}}{C_T} Sc^{0.67}$$

So that :

$$h_D = \frac{h}{\rho C_p} \cdot \frac{C_T}{C_{Bm}} \left(\frac{Pr}{Sc} \right)^{0.67}$$

** The general eq. for mass transfer in a wetted – wall column is :

$$\frac{h \cdot d}{D_v} \cdot \frac{P_{Bm}}{P_T} = 0.023 Re^{0.83} \cdot Sc^{0.44} \quad (*)$$

Where :

D_v : vapor phase diffusivity

P_{Bm} : logarithmic mean of the press. of B = $\frac{P_{B2} - P_{B1}}{\ln \frac{P_{B2}}{P_{B1}}}$

P_T : total press.

d : column diameter

eq.(*) is frequently re arranged as :

$$\frac{h_D}{u} \cdot \frac{P_{Bm}}{P_T} Sc^{0.56} = 0.023 Re^{-0.17} = j_d \quad (a)$$

$$K_G = \frac{h_D}{RT} \cdot \frac{P_{Bm}}{P_T} \quad \text{or} \quad h_D = K_G RT$$

K_G : gas film transfer coefficient

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** For most gases , we may write

$$j_d \approx \frac{R}{\rho u^2} \quad (\text{the friction factor})$$

Gas phase

$$D_V = \frac{4.3 \times 10^{-4} \cdot T^{1.5}}{P(V_A^{1/3} + V_B^{1/3})} \sqrt{\frac{1}{M_A} + \frac{1}{M_B}}$$

Liquid phase

$$D_L = \frac{7.7 \times 10^{-16} T}{\mu(V^{1/3} + V_0^{1/3})}$$

Ex : Calculate the rise in temperature of water which is passed at 3.5 m/s through a smooth 25 mm diameter pipe , 6 m long. The water enters at 300 K and the tube wall may be assumed constant at 330 K . The following methods may be used :

- (a) the simple Reynolds analogy .
- (b) the Taylor-Prandtl modification .
- (c) the universal velocity profile .
- (d) $Nu = 0.023 Re^{0.8} Pr^{0.33}$.

Sol.

$$Re = \frac{0.025 \times 3.5 \times 1000}{0.7 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.25 \times 10^5$$

$$Pr = \frac{4.18 \times 10^3 \times 0.7 \times 10^{-3}}{0.65} = 4.50$$

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(a) Reynolds analogy

$$\frac{h}{\rho C_p u} = 0.032 \text{ Re}^{-0.25}$$

$$h = [4.18 \times 1000 \times 1000 \times 3.5 \times 0.032 (1.25 \times 10^5)^{-0.25}]$$
$$= 24,902 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K} \quad \text{or} \quad 24.9 \text{ kW/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

Heat transferred per unit time in length dL of pipe =
 $h \pi 0.025 dL (330 - \theta)$ kW, where θ is the temperature at a distance L m from the inlet.

Rate of increase of heat content of fluid

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{4} (0.025)^2 \times 3.5 \times 1000 \times 4.18 \right) d\theta \text{ kw}$$

The outlet temperature θ' is then given by:

$$\int_{300}^{\theta'} \frac{d\theta}{(330 - \theta)} = 0.0109h \int_0^6 dL$$

Where : h is in kW/m² K.

$$\log_{10}(330 - \theta') = \log_{10} 30 - \left(\frac{0.0654h}{2.303} \right) = 1.477 - 0.0283h$$

In this case :

$$h = 24.9 \text{ kW/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

$$\log_{10} (330 - \theta') = (1.477 - 0.705) = 0.772$$

$$\text{and : } \underline{\theta' = 324.1 \text{ k}}$$

(b) Taylor-Prattdtl equation

$$\frac{h}{\rho C_p u} = 0.032 \text{ Re}^{-\frac{1}{4}} [1 + 2.0 \text{ Re}^{-\frac{1}{8}} (\text{Pr} - 1)]^{-1}$$

$$h = \frac{24.9}{(1 + 2.0 \times 3.5 / 4.34)} = 9.53 \text{ kW/m}^2 \text{ k}$$

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and :

$$\log_{10} (330 - \theta') = 1.477 - (0.0283 * 9.53) = 1.207$$

$$\underline{\theta' = 313.9 \text{ K}}$$

(c) Universal velocity profile equation

$$\frac{h}{\rho C_{pu}} = 0.032 \text{ Re}^{-\frac{1}{4}} \{1 + 0.82 \text{ Re}^{-\frac{1}{8}} [(Pr - 1) + \ln(0.83Pr + 0.17)]\}^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{24.9}{1 + (0.82/4.34)(3.5 + 2303 \times 0.591)}$$

$$= 12.98 \text{ kW/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

$$\log_{10} (330 - \theta') = 1.477 - (0.0283 * 12.98) = 1.110$$

and : $\underline{\theta' = 317.1 \text{ K}}$

$$d) Nu = 0.023 \text{ Re}^{0.8} \text{ Pr}^{0.33}$$

$$h = \frac{0.023 * 0.65}{0.0250} (1.25 * 10^5)^{0.8} (4.5)^{0.33}$$

$$= 0.596 \times 1.195 \times 10^4 \times 1.64$$

$$= 1.168 \times 10^4 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K} \quad \text{or} \quad 11.68 \text{ kW/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

and :

$$\log_{10} (330 - \theta') = 1.477 - (0.0283 * 11.68) = 1.147$$

$$\underline{\theta' = 316.0 \text{ K}}$$

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