

# Transport Phenomena in Food Processes

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**Instructions:** fill out the table above in this sheet. Use only this sheet for answers.

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We consider a small region of the tapered tube to be a straight tube over a short distance  $dz$ ; then we can write "locally"

$$w = \frac{\pi R^3 \rho}{(1/n) + 3} \left[ -\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dz} \frac{R}{2m} \right]^{1/n} \quad \text{eq. (8.3-9)}$$

$$dR_{dz} := \frac{R_L - R_0}{L} = -1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Take the  $n$ th power of both sides to get

$$-\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dz} = \frac{2m}{R} \left[ \frac{w}{\pi R^3 \rho} \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n$$

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -\frac{2 \cdot m}{R} \left[ \frac{w}{\pi \cdot R^3 \cdot \rho} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n$$

in which  $R$  is a function of  $z$ :

$$R = R_0 + \left( \frac{R_L - R_0}{L} \right) z$$

It is easier to integrate the differential equation if we rewrite it as

$$-\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dR} \frac{dR}{dz} = -\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dR} \left( \frac{R_L - R_0}{L} \right) = \frac{2m}{R} \left[ \frac{w}{\pi R^3 \rho} \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n$$

Then when this equation is integrated with respect to  $R$ , we get

$$-\int_{\mathcal{P}_0}^{\mathcal{P}_L} d\mathcal{P} = \left( \frac{2mL}{R_L - R_0} \right) \left[ \frac{w}{\pi \rho} \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n \int_{R_0}^{R_L} \frac{1}{R^{3n+1}} dR$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_0 - \mathcal{P}_L &= \left( \frac{2mL}{R_L - R_0} \right) \left[ \frac{w}{\pi \rho} \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n \left( \frac{R_L^{-3n} - R_0^{-3n}}{-3n} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2mL}{3n} \right) \left[ \frac{w}{\pi \rho} \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n \left( \frac{R_L^{-3n} - R_0^{-3n}}{R_0 - R_L} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\Delta P}{L} = \frac{2 \cdot m}{3 \cdot n} \cdot \left[ \frac{w}{\pi \cdot \rho} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{n} + 3 \right) \right]^n \cdot \left( \frac{R_L^{-3 \cdot n} - R_0^{-3 \cdot n}}{R_0 - R_L} \right)$$

$$w := \frac{\pi \cdot \rho}{\frac{1}{n} + 3} \left[ \frac{3 \cdot n}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta P_{L} \cdot \left( \frac{R_0 - R_L}{R_L^{-3 \cdot 0.85} - R_0^{-3 \cdot 0.85}} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{0.85}} = 0.175 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$

$$w = \frac{\pi(\mathcal{P}_0 - \mathcal{P}_L)R_0^4 \rho}{8\mu L} \left[ 1 - \frac{1 + (R_L/R_0) + (R_L/R_0)^2 - 3(R_L/R_0)^3}{1 + (R_L/R_0) + (R_L/R_0)^2} \right] \quad (2B.10-3)$$

$$w_{\mu} := \frac{\pi \cdot \rho \cdot \Delta P_{L} \cdot R_0^4}{8 \cdot \mu} \left[ 1 - \frac{1 + \frac{R_L}{R_0} + \left(\frac{R_L}{R_0}\right)^2 - 3 \cdot \left(\frac{R_L}{R_0}\right)^3}{1 + \frac{R_L}{R_0} + \left(\frac{R_L}{R_0}\right)^2} \right] = 0.222 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$



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$$T_{\text{inf}} := 150^\circ\text{C} \quad T_0 := 5^\circ\text{C} \quad T_A := 30^\circ\text{C} \quad R := 5\text{-cm} \quad h := 35 \cdot \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}} \quad t := \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{hr}$$

$$\rho C_P := 3000 \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 2000 \cdot \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg} \cdot \text{K}} = 6 \times 10^6 \cdot \frac{\text{J}}{\text{m}^3 \cdot \text{K}}$$

$$N_{Nu}(N_{Re}, N_{Pr}) := 0.3 + \frac{0.62 \cdot N_{Re}^{0.5} \cdot N_{Pr}^{0.33}}{\left[ 1 + \left(\frac{0.4}{N_{Pr}}\right)^{0.67} \right]^{0.25}} \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{N_{Re}}{282000}\right)^{0.625} \right]^{0.8}$$

1. The Churchill & Bernstein correlation has to be solved iteratively in the unknown  $v_{\text{inf}}$

$$T_f := \frac{T_{\text{inf}} + T_0}{2} = 77.5 \cdot ^\circ\text{C} \quad N_{\text{Pr,A}}(T_f) = 0.706 \quad k_A(T_f) = 0.03 \cdot \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}\cdot\text{K}} \quad \nu_A(T_f) = 2.068 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}}$$

$$v_{\text{inf}} := 1 \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \quad \text{Given} \quad \frac{h \cdot 2 \cdot R}{k_A(T_f)} = N_{\text{Nu}} \left( \frac{v_{\text{inf}} \cdot 2 \cdot R}{\nu_A(T_f)}, N_{\text{Pr,A}}(T_f) \right) \quad v_{\text{inf}} := \text{Minerr}(v_{\text{inf}}) = 8.052 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$N_{\text{Re}} := \frac{v_{\text{inf}} \cdot 2 \cdot R}{\nu_A(T_f)} = 3.893 \times 10^4 \quad N_{\text{Nu}}(N_{\text{Re}}, N_{\text{Pr,A}}(T_f)) = 117.67$$

$$j_H \left( \frac{v_{\text{inf}} \cdot 2 \cdot R}{\nu_A(T_f)}, N_{\text{Pr,A}}(T_f) \right) = 3.391 \times 10^{-3}$$

2. The transient heating of a cylinder can be solved under the single-term approximation (to be checked later)

$$\theta_A := \frac{T_{\text{inf}} - T_A}{T_{\text{inf}} - T_0} = 0.828$$

$$(1) \quad \lambda_1 \cdot \frac{J_1(\lambda_1)}{J_0(\lambda_1)} = \frac{h \cdot R}{k}$$

$$(2) \quad A_1 = \frac{2}{\lambda_1} \cdot \frac{J_1(\lambda_1)}{J_1(\lambda_1)^2 + J_0(\lambda_1)^2}$$

$$(3) \quad \theta_A = \theta(t, r = 0) = A_1 \cdot J_0(\lambda_1 \cdot 0) \cdot \exp(-\lambda_1^2 \cdot \tau) = A_1 \cdot J_0(\lambda_1 \cdot 0) \cdot \exp\left(-\lambda_1^2 \cdot \frac{k}{\rho C_P} \cdot \frac{t}{R^2}\right)$$

$$\text{from (1)} \quad k = \frac{h \cdot R \cdot J_0(\lambda_1)}{\lambda_1 \cdot J_1(\lambda_1)} \quad (1')$$

substituting (1') and (2) in (3), one equation (3') in one unknown ( $\lambda_1$ ) is obtained

$$\theta_A = \frac{2}{\lambda_1} \cdot \frac{J_1(\lambda_1)}{J_1(\lambda_1)^2 + J_0(\lambda_1)^2} \cdot J_0(\lambda_1 \cdot 0) \cdot \exp\left(-\lambda_1^2 \cdot \frac{h \cdot R \cdot J_0(\lambda_1)}{\lambda_1 \cdot J_1(\lambda_1)} \cdot \frac{1}{\rho C_P} \cdot \frac{t}{R^2}\right) \quad (3')$$

$$\lambda_1 := 1 \quad \text{Given} \quad \theta_A = \frac{2}{\lambda_1} \cdot \frac{J_1(\lambda_1)}{J_1(\lambda_1)^2 + J_0(\lambda_1)^2} \cdot J_0(\lambda_1 \cdot 0) \cdot \exp\left(-\lambda_1^2 \cdot \frac{h \cdot R \cdot J_0(\lambda_1)}{\lambda_1 \cdot J_1(\lambda_1)} \cdot \frac{1}{\rho C_P} \cdot \frac{t}{R^2}\right)$$

$$\lambda_1 := \text{Minerr}(\lambda_1) = 1.144$$

Then, the thermal conductivity could be calculated by eq. (1')

$$k := \frac{h \cdot R \cdot J_0(\lambda_1)}{\lambda_1 \cdot J_1(\lambda_1)} = 2.209 \cdot \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}\cdot\text{K}}$$

$$\text{Biot's number} \quad N_{\text{Bi}} := \frac{h \cdot R}{k} = 0.792$$

$$\text{Fourier's number} \quad \tau := \frac{k}{\rho C_P} \cdot \frac{t}{R^2} = 0.265 \quad \text{being higher than 0.2, the single-term approximation holds.}$$

3. To calculate the surface temperature, apply the single-term approximation for a long cylinder at the surface ( $\xi = 1$ )

$$\theta_S := \frac{2}{\lambda_1} \cdot \frac{J_1(\lambda_1)}{J_1(\lambda_1)^2 + J_0(\lambda_1)^2} \cdot J_0(\lambda_1 \cdot 1) \cdot \exp(-\lambda_1^2 \cdot \tau) = 0.578$$

$$T_S := T_{\text{inf}} + (T_0 - T_{\text{inf}}) \cdot \theta_S = 66.193 \cdot ^\circ\text{C}$$