

For a non nuclear reaction process ,the mass going inside the inlet in a process should be the mass coming out of the outlet as mass can neither be created nor be destroyed.

Material balance

Process classification

1. Batch process :

- Transient process
- Drawing a flowchart, naming the variables
- Basis of calculation,
 - $\text{Input} + \text{generation} - \text{output} - \text{consumption} = \text{accumulation}$ (balance)
 - If the balanced substance is non reactive species, $\text{generation} = 0$, $\text{consumption} = 0$
 - If the balanced quantity is total mass then, $\text{generation} = \text{consumption} = 0$

● 2. Continuous process

- Steady process
- Drawing a flowchart, naming the variables
- Basis of calculation,
 - $\text{Input} + \text{generation} - \text{output} - \text{consumption} = \text{accumulation}$ (balance)
 - If the balanced quantity is total mass then, $\text{generation} = \text{consumption} = 0$, $\text{accumulation} = 0$
 - If the balanced substance is non reactive species, $\text{generation} = 0$, $\text{consumption} = 0$, $\text{accumulation} = 0$
- Transient Process
- Drawing a flowchart
 - Basis of calculation,
 - $\text{Input} + \text{generation} - \text{output} - \text{consumption} = \text{accumulation}$ (balance)
 - If the balanced quantity is total mass then, $\text{generation} = \text{consumption} = 0$
 - If the balanced substance is non reactive species, $\text{generation} = 0$, $\text{consumption} = 0$

- 3.Semi batch process(can't be in a steady state)
- Transient process
 - Drawing a flowchart
 - Basis of calculation,
 - $\text{Input} + \text{generation} - \text{output} - \text{consumption} = \text{accumulation (balance)}$
 - If the balanced substance is non reactive species,
generation=0, consumption=0
 - If the balanced quantity is total mass then,
generation=consumption=0
- Integral balances :the balances which describes what happens at two instants at time , usually used for unsteady , batch processes .
- Differential balances: the balances which describes what is happening at a particular instant of time.