

# PLUME MODEL EQUATIONS

$$\blacksquare \quad \frac{dr}{dz} = \frac{4\alpha\omega^2 - br}{2\omega^2}, \quad \frac{d\omega}{dz} = \frac{-2\alpha\omega^2 + br}{r\omega}, \quad \frac{dT}{dz} = \frac{-2\alpha(T - T_{\text{amb}})}{r}, \quad \frac{dS}{dz} = \frac{-2\alpha(S - S_{\text{amb}})}{r}$$

(4 equations: conservation of mass, heat, and salt & momentum change by forcing)

- $b = g(\alpha_T (T - T_{\text{amb}}) - \beta_S (S - S_{\text{amb}}))$  (linear buoyancy)
- $b = \frac{g(\rho_{\text{amb}} - \rho_{\text{plume}})}{\rho_{\text{amb}}}$  where  $\rho_{\text{amb}} = f(S_{\text{amb}}, T_{\text{amb}}, P)$ ,  $\rho_{\text{plume}} = f(S, T, P)$  (non-linear buoyancy using gsw\_rho **in-situ density** function)
- $P = P_0 - (\rho g)z$  (pressure at depth in dbar)
- $\alpha_T = f(S, T, P)$  (using gsw\_alpha function)

## Constants:

$\alpha = 0.072$  (entrainment),  $g = 0.113 \text{ m/s}^2$ ,  $\rho g = 0.113/9.78$  (pressure factor),

$\alpha_T = 5 * 10^{-5}$  (thermal expansivity of plume),  $\beta_S = 7 * 10^{-4}$  (haline contractivity)

$T_{\text{amb}} = 1\text{e-}6$  (low),  $1\text{e-}1$  (high),  $S_{\text{amb}} = 4$  (low),  $40$  (high)

## Init. conditions:

$r_0 = 1 \text{ or } 10 \text{ m}$ ,  $q_0 = 10 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ,  $w_0 = \frac{q_0}{\pi r_0^2} = 0.03183 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$  or  $3.183 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

$T_0 = 100^\circ\text{C or } 10^\circ\text{C or } 0.01^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $S_0 = S_{\text{amb}} + 10$

$P_0 = 678 \text{ dbar}$  (pressure at source vent)

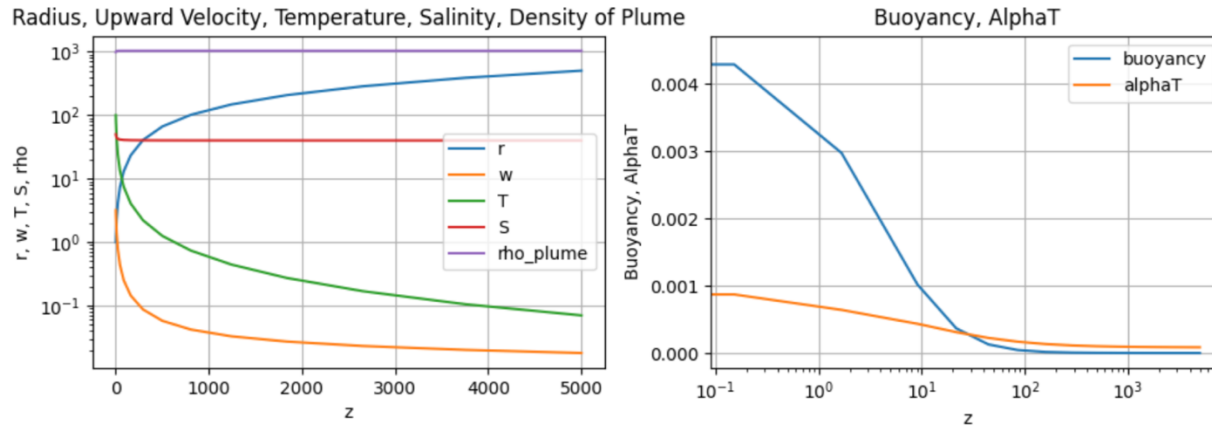
**Stop condition:**  $\omega < 0.01$

## Model params:

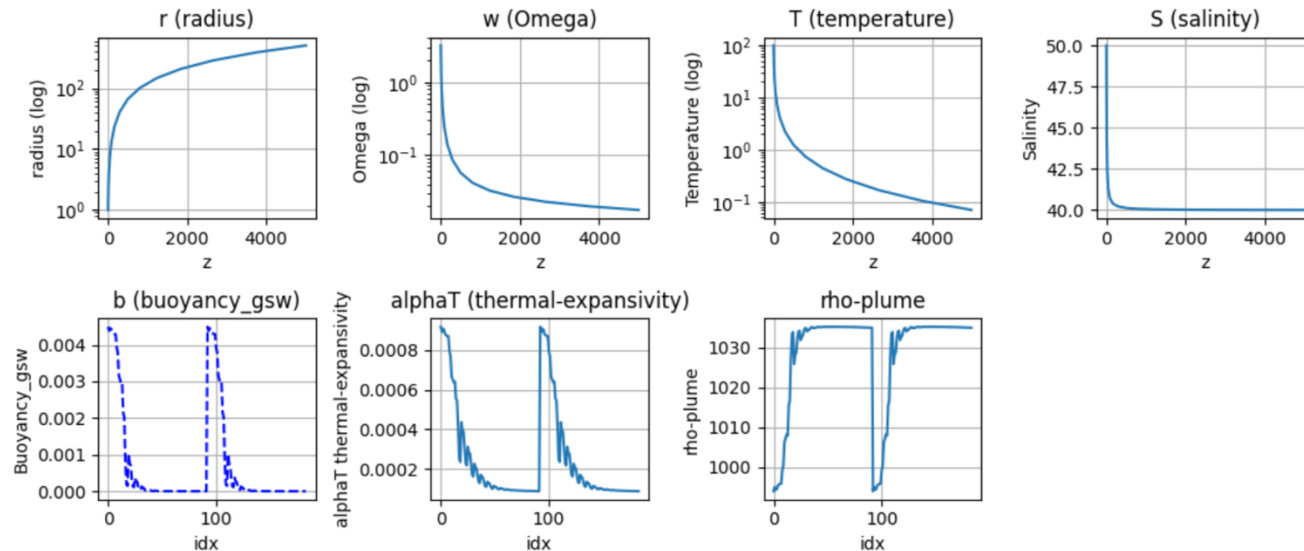
$\Delta z = 0.05 \text{ m}$ , max iter = 100,000

# NEW ODE SOLVER RESULTS (16 ITERATIONS)

.w,T,S,buoyancy,alphaT,plume density: [r0 = 1.000000 m, w0 = 3.183099 m<sup>3</sup>/s, T0 = 100.000000 C, S0 = 50.00000 g/kg, S\_amb = 40.000000 g/kg, T\_amb = 0.000001 C]

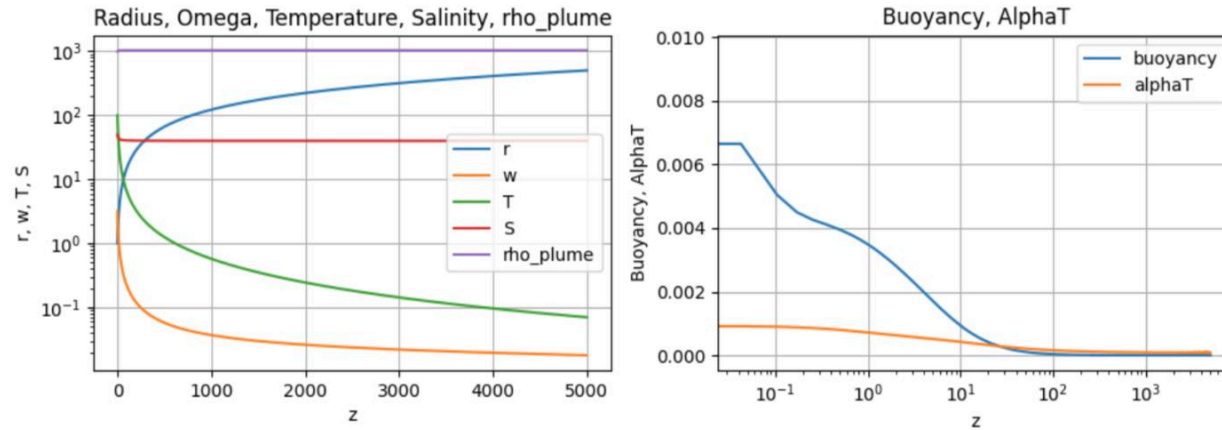


.w,T,S,buoyancy,alphaT,rho\_plume\_sol Solutions: [r0 = 1.000000 m, w0 = 3.183099 m<sup>3</sup>/s, T0 = 100.000000 C, S0 = 50.00000 g/kg, S\_amb = 40.000000 g/kg, T\_amb = 0.000001 C]

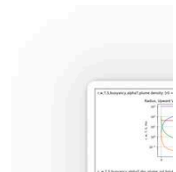
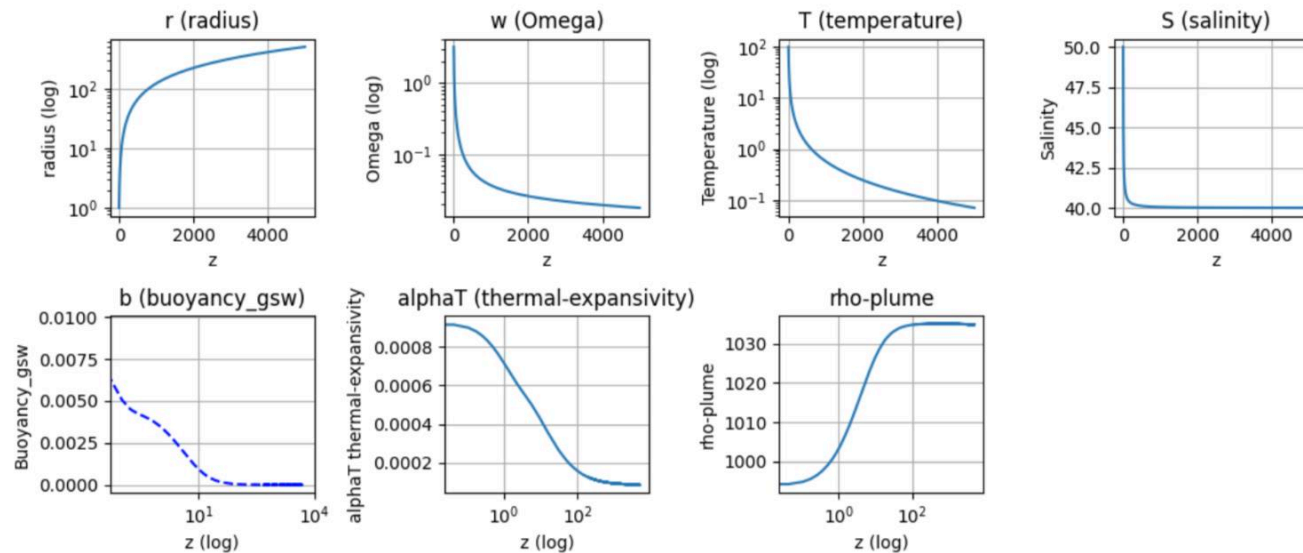


# OLD ODE SOLVER RESULTS (30K ITERATIONS)

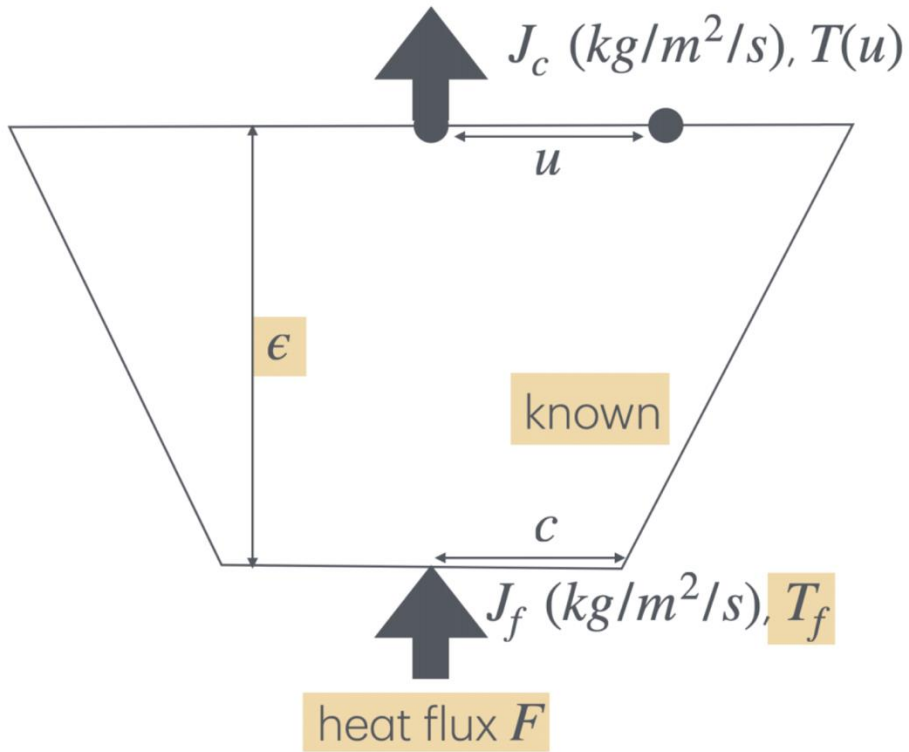
rho\_plume Solutions: [r0=1.000000, w0=3.183099, T0=100.000000, S0=50.000000, b0=0.00959, alphaT0=0.000919, rho\_plume0=993.9823855789817, S\_amb=40.000000, T\_amb=0.000001]



ho\_plume\_sol Solutions: [r0=1.000000, w0=3.183099, T0=100.000000, S0=50.000000, b0=0.00959, alphaT0=0.000919, rho\_plume0=993.9823855789817, S\_amb=40.000000, T\_amb=0.000001]



# AFFHOLDER PAPER, SECTION 2.1 (DEFINING PARAMETERS OF PHYSICAL MODEL)



$$C_i^{\text{OP}} = \frac{\int_0^\infty J_c(u) C_i(u) 2\pi u du}{\int_0^\infty J_c(u) 2\pi u du}. \quad (7)$$

**Table 1**  
Parameters of the Physical Model of the Hydrothermal Environment

Parameter	Value	Unit	Description	Reference
$T_o$	275	K	Ocean temperature	
$g$	0.12	$\text{m s}^{-2}$	Enceladus gravitational acceleration	Choblet et al. (2017)
$F$	$5 \cdot 10^9$	W	Hydrothermal vent heat dissipation power	Choblet et al. (2017)
$\epsilon$	1	m	ML thickness	
$C_p$	4200	$\text{J K}^{-1} \text{kg}^{-1}$	Specific heat capacity of liquid water	
$\alpha$	$3 \times 10^{-4}$	$\text{K}^{-1}$	Thermal expansion coefficient for liquid water	
$\rho_o$	1000	$\text{kg m}^{-3}$	Seawater mass density	

## AFFHOLDER PAPER, SECTION 2.2

This section defines a step-by-step process to model chemical reaction rate & biomass growth rate coupled with the physical model:

- (1) Express value of **steady-state reaction quotient  $Q^*$**  using Equations (13), (14), and (19)
- (2) Then, Equation (22) in [Affholder Nature paper] allows us to rewrite Equation (14) and solve numerically a system of three equations, one for each reactant and product in Equation (1), to obtain the **steady-state concentrations of  $CO_2$ ,  $CH_4$ , and  $H_2$** .
- (3) Ultimately, Equation (18) equal to zero is solved for **the steady-state values of bulk biomass concentration  $B^*$** .
- (4) Using Equation (8), combined with Equations (11) and (16), allows the derivation of the **steady-state cell density  $N^*$  and  $B_c$**  where  $B_c$  is obtained by solving Equation (8) at the steady state of the population (Equation (12) equal to zero).
- (5)  $B^*$  (steady state bulk biomass) **is integrated over each mixing layer** (represented by thin cylinder) to find  $B_{tot}$   
→ **total bulk biomass over the entire plume**

# STEP 1: EXPRESSIONS FOR REACTION QUOTIENT $Q^*$

$$\Delta G_{\text{cat}} = \Delta G_{\text{cat}}^0 + RT \ln Q, \quad (13)$$

Constant as a function of T

Physical constant

$$Q = \frac{[\text{CH}_4]^{0.25}}{[\text{H}_2][\text{CO}_2]^{0.25}}. \quad (14)$$

$$\Delta G_{\text{cat}}^*(T) = -\frac{\Delta G_{\text{diss}}}{q_{\text{cat}}(T)}(d + q_m), \quad (19)$$

$$q_{\text{cat}} = \tau q_e$$

$$q_e = \frac{k_{\text{cat}}}{1 + K_{\text{eq}}}$$

$$k_{\text{cat}} = \frac{k_B}{h} T e^{-\frac{\Delta G_{a,\text{cat}}}{RT}}$$

$$K_{\text{eq}} = e^{-\frac{\Delta H_{\text{eq}}}{R}(\frac{1}{T_{\text{eq}}} - \frac{1}{T})},$$

(17)

Express value of **steady-state reaction quotient  $Q^*$**  using Equations (13), (14), and (19).

$\Delta_r G_{S,\text{cat}}^0$	-32.6	$\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	Standard Gibbs energy of the catabolic reaction
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$\Delta G_{\text{diss}}$	1088	$\text{kJ mol}_C^{-1}$	Required energy dissipation for biomass synthesis
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$d$	0.03	$\text{day}^{-1}$	Baseline cell death rate
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$$q_m = e_m / \Delta G_{\text{diss}} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$$

$T_{\text{eq}}$	90	$^{\circ}\text{C}$	Temperature at which activated and inactivated enzymes are in equal quantity
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$\Delta H_{\text{eq}}$	305	$\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	Equilibrium enthalpy of enzyme deactivation
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$e_m(T)$	$84 e^{\frac{69,400}{R}(\frac{1}{298} - \frac{1}{T})}$	$\text{kJ day}^{-1} \text{mol}_C^{-1}$	Specific cell maintenance energy
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## STEP 2: SOLVE FOR STEADY-STATE CONCENTRATIONS OF CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, AND H<sub>2</sub>

Then, Equation (22) in [Affholder Nature paper] allows us to rewrite Equation (14) and solve numerically a system of three equations, one for each reactant and product in Equation (1), to obtain the **steady-state concentrations of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub>**

$$Q = \frac{[\text{CH}_4]^{0.25}}{[\text{H}_2][\text{CO}_2]^{0.25}}. \quad (14)$$

In the absence of any other factors, the steady-state concentration of  $i$ ,  $C_i^*$ , is given by

$$C_i^* = C_i^0 + \gamma_i^{\text{cat}}(C_{\text{eD}}^0 - C_{\text{eD}}^*). \quad (22)$$

$$Q_{\text{cat}}^* = \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{RT} \left( \Delta G_0 + \left( d + \frac{e_m}{\Delta G_{\text{diss}}} \right) \frac{\Delta G_{\text{diss}}}{q_{\text{cat}}} \right) \right] \quad (20)$$

$$\log_e Q_{\text{cat}}^* = \log_e K - \frac{1}{RT} \left( d + \frac{e_m}{\Delta G_{\text{diss}}} \right) \frac{\Delta G_{\text{diss}}}{q_{\text{cat}}}$$

$$Q_{\text{cat}}^* = \frac{1}{C_{\text{eD}}^*} \prod_{i \neq \text{eD}} (C_i^0 + \gamma_i^{\text{cat}}(C_{\text{eD}}^0 - C_{\text{eD}}^*))^{\gamma_i^{\text{cat}}} \quad (23)$$

### STEP 3: USE REACTION PROGRESS TO DERIVE BULK BIOMASS $B^*$

Ultimately, Equation (18) equal to zero is solved for the steady-state values of bulk biomass concentration  $B^*$ .

This step couples the biological reaction (biomass dynamics & catabolic rate) with the physical model (behavior of plume) and the chemical reaction progress (concentration of each reactant/product) using this central formula:

$$\frac{dC_i}{dt} = \frac{1}{\epsilon \rho} (J_f(C_f^i - C_o^i) + J_c(C_o^i - C_i)) + Y_i q_{cat} B, \quad (18)$$

From biological reaction  
 From chemical reaction  
 From physical model of water  
 Constant

$Y_i$  is the stoichiometric coefficient of molecule  $i$  in the catabolic reaction (e.g.,  $Y_{H_2} = -1$ )

$C_{i,o}$  and  $C_{i,f}$  are the concentrations of  $i$  in the ocean and the HF, respectively

Epsilon is 1m, the mixing layer thickness

$\rho$ ,  $J_f$ , and  $J_c$  are derived from physical model and are constant within each ML

$B$  is the bulk biomass concentration



## STEP 4: FROM INDIVIDUAL CELL GROWTH RATE DERIVE BULK BIOMASS GROWTH RATE

Using Equation (8), combined with Equations (11) and (16), allows the derivation of the **steady-state cell density  $N^*$  and  $B_c$**  where  $B_c$  is obtained by solving Equation (8) at the steady state of the population (Equation (12) equal to zero).

For a **single cell**, the division rate  $r$  (per second) as a function of internal biomass  $B_c$  (in moles of carbon, molC) derived as:

$$\begin{cases} r(B_c) = \frac{1}{60 \times 60 \times 24} \frac{r_{\max}}{1 + ((B_c - 2B_{\text{struct}})/B_{\text{struct}})^{-\theta}} & \text{if } B_c > 2B_{\text{struct}} \\ r(B_c) = 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

**Steady-state** is defined as  $dB_c/dt = 0$ .

**Anabolic** (individual cell internal growth) **reaction rate** derived as:

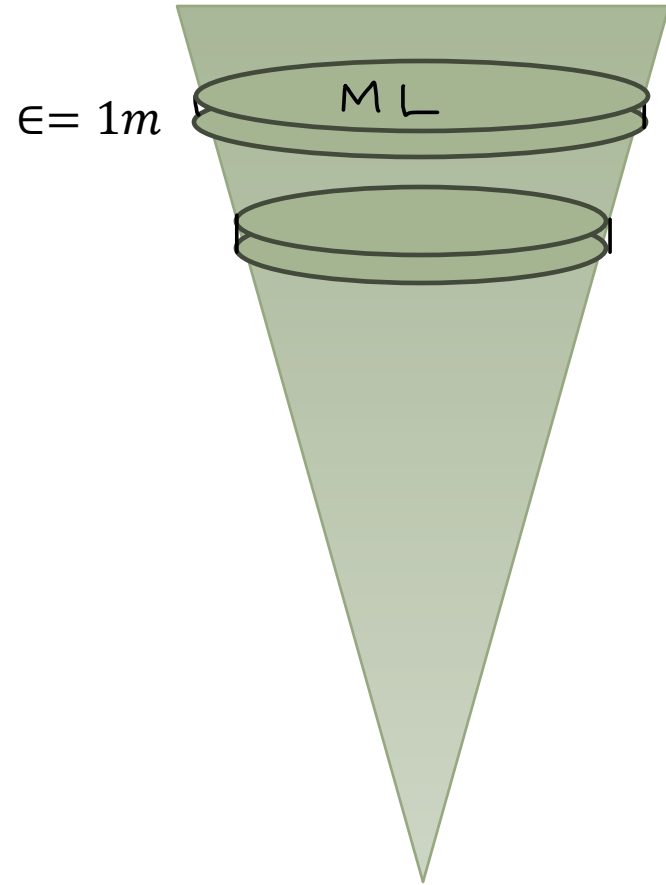
$$q_{\text{ana}} = r(B_c^*), \quad (11)$$

Anabolic reaction rate ( $Q_{\text{ana}}$ ) relates to catabolic rate ( $Q_{\text{cat}}$ ) and  $Q_m$ , the enzymatically accelerated rate of the catabolic reaction through this formula.

$$q_{\text{ana}} = \lambda q_{\text{cat}} - q_m, \quad (16)$$

**This relates single-cell-level growth to the larger reaction rate & catabolic rate.**

## STEP 5: INTEGRATE OVER THE PLUME



- The last step is to divide the plume into 1m thick cylinders and integrate to find total biomass and total cell density
- Ex:  $B^*$  (**steady state** bulk biomass) integrated over each mixing layer (represented by thin cylinder) to find **B<sub>tot</sub>**  
→ **total** bulk biomass over the entire plume

$$\begin{cases} N_{\text{tot}} = \rho \epsilon \int N^*(u) 2\pi u du \\ B_{\text{tot}} = \rho \epsilon \int B^*(u) 2\pi u du. \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

## AFFHOLDER PAPER, SECTION 2.3

- This section defines “productivity”  $P$  of a population as quantity of biomass produced per unit time
- By definition, @ steady state, productivity = mortality rate = quantity of biomass that leaves the stock of living cells per unit time
- $P$  found through this integral

$$P_B = \left( \frac{e_m}{\Delta G_{\text{diss}}} + d \right). \quad (22)$$

$$P_{B,\text{tot}} = \rho \epsilon \int P_B(u) B^*(u) 2\pi u du. \quad (23)$$

## AFFHOLDER PAPER, SECTION 2.4

- This section defines some formulas to track # of dead cells and productivity at steady state (where the population perfectly replenishes itself)

$$N_d^* = \frac{\rho\epsilon}{J_c} N^* d,$$

$$B_d^* = \frac{\rho\epsilon}{J_c} P_B B^*.$$

- Concentrations in the initial ocean plume are obtained by combining Equations (7), (25), and (27). Discusses **assumption that initial concentrations across the entire plume = init. concentrations @ the ocean floor\***

## AFFHOLDER PAPER, SECTION 2.5

- **This section discusses simulations conducted using the previous formulas to find both initial conditions that can support life (priors) and long-term steady-state conditions of such life (posteriors)**
- 1) Prior densities (init. conditions) are estimated by running 20,000 simulations with parameters (composition and temperature of the HF and ocean) randomly drawn from the distributions defined in Table 2 of [Affholder Nature Paper]
- 2) Only 8763 simulations that produced habitable conditions were retained. They use these habitable conditions to simulate biological activity and the probability of presence of biological material, sustained growth, etc.
- (... how they conducted later simulations can be studied further)