

# Mass Transfer Coefficient Cheatsheet

Governing Eq.  $N_A = k'_c \frac{1}{x_{Bm}} (c_{A,1} - c_{A,2})$

① Geometry?

Parameters?  $\mu, \rho, v, D_{AB}$

② Calculate  $N_{Re} N_{Sc}$

$$N_{Re} = \frac{L_D v \rho}{\mu}$$

$$N_{Sc} = \frac{\mu}{\rho D_{AB}}$$

③ Which Regime?

Gas? Liquid?

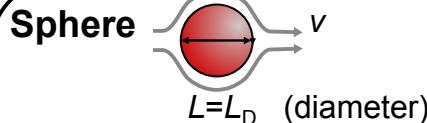
Laminar? Turbulent?

④ Which Equation?

$$N_{Sh} \text{ expression?} \rightarrow k'_c = \frac{N_{Sh} D_{AB}}{L}$$

$$j_D \text{ expression?} \rightarrow k'_c = j_D v N_{Sc}^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$N_{Sh} = j_D N_{Re} N_{Sc}^{\frac{1}{3}}$$



Low Reynolds: Gas & Liquid

$$N_{Re} \ll 2 \rightarrow N_{Sh} = 2$$

High Reynolds

Gas  $N_{Sh} = 2 + 0.552 N_{Re}^{0.53} N_{Sc}^{1/3}$   
 $0.6 < N_{Sc} < 2.7 \quad N_{Re} < 48000$

Liquid

$$N_{Re} < 2000$$

$$N_{Sh} = 2 + 0.95 N_{Re}^{0.5} N_{Sc}^{1/3}$$

$$2000 < N_{Re} < 17000$$

$$N_{Sh} = 0.347 N_{Re}^{0.62} N_{Sc}^{1/3}$$



\* Use  $L_D = L$  in Reynolds number

Laminar flow (gas & liquid)

$$N_{Re} < 15,000 \rightarrow j_D = 0.664 N_{Re,L}^{-0.5}$$

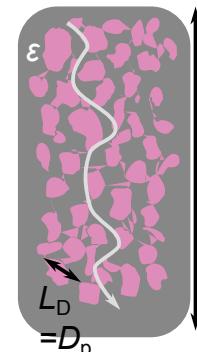
Turbulent flow

Gas  
 $15,000 < N_{Re} < 300,000$   
 $j_D = 0.036 N_{Re,L}^{-0.2}$

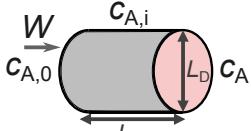
Liquid

$$600 < N_{Re} < 50,000$$
 $j_D = 0.99 N_{Re,L}^{-0.5}$

**Packed bed**



**Pipe / Wetted-wall**



Mass transfer from wall to bulk

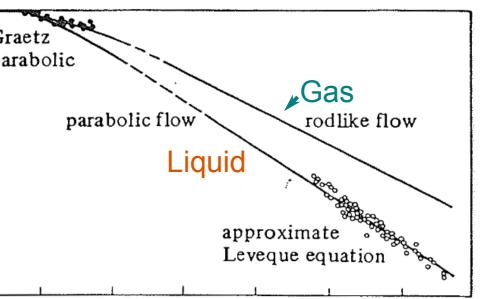
Gas: Calculate x-axis, go to Rod-like flow line

Liquid:

Parabolic

$$N_{Re} < 2100; \frac{W}{D_{AB} \rho L} > 400$$

$$\frac{c_A - c_{A,0}}{c_{A,i} - c_{A,0}} = 5.5 \left[ \frac{W}{D_{AB} \rho L} \right]^{-\frac{2}{3}} \quad N_{Sh} = 0.023 N_{Re}^{0.83} N_{Sc}^{0.33}$$



Turbulent

$$N_{Re} > 2100; 0.6 < N_{Sc} < 3000$$

Gas  $10 < N_{Re} < 10,000$

Liquid  $10 < N_{Re} < 1500$

$$j_D = \frac{0.4548}{\varepsilon} N_{Re}^{-0.4069}$$

Liquid  $0.0016 < N_{Re} < 55$

$$165 < N_{Sc} < 70,600$$

$$j_D = \frac{1.09}{\varepsilon} N_{Re}^{-2/3}$$

Liquid  $55 < N_{Re} < 1500$

$$165 < N_{Sc} < 10,690$$

$$j_D = \frac{0.250}{\varepsilon} N_{Re}^{-0.31}$$

**Fluidized Beds of Spheres**

Gas & Liquid

$$10 < N_{Re} < 4000$$

$$j_D = \frac{0.4548}{\varepsilon} N_{Re}^{-0.4069}$$

Liquid

$$1 < N_{Re} < 10$$

$$j_D = \frac{1.1068}{\varepsilon} N_{Re}^{-0.72}$$

$\varepsilon$ : void fraction  $v'$ : superficial velocity  $D_p$ : average particle size (sphere)