

## Lecture 22: Multicomponent Equations & free convection

\* Now that we have been through the multicomponent mass balances, what (if anything) needs to be done for our momentum and energy balances?

### I. Equations of change for multicomponent systems

\* mass

(species continuity)

$$\rho \frac{Dw_\alpha}{Dt} = \nabla \cdot \left[ \sum_{\beta=1}^{Ns} \rho D_{\alpha\beta} \nabla w_\beta \right] + r_\alpha$$

(total continuity)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \underline{v})$$

\* momentum

$$\rho \frac{D\underline{v}}{Dt} = -\nabla P + \mu \nabla^2 \underline{v} + \left( \frac{\mu}{2} + k \right) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \underline{v}) + \rho g$$

- momentum is the same! It is unaffected by the multicomponent nature of the fluid.

\* energy

- The energy equation has some significant modifications for multicomponent systems.

- The heat flux:  $\underline{q} = -k \nabla T$  (single component)

gets an additional term:  $\underline{q} = -k \nabla T + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{Ns} \frac{\overline{H}_\alpha}{M_\alpha} \underline{v}_\alpha$

This term is due to the enthalpy of different species that diffuse across the boundary.

$\bar{H}_\alpha$ : partial molar enthalpy of species  $\alpha$

$M_\alpha$ : molecular weight of species  $\alpha$

$\underline{J}_\alpha$ : diffusive flux of species  $\alpha$

- The enthalpy change from chemical reactions:

$$\sum_{\alpha} \bar{H}_\alpha R_\alpha \quad \bar{H}_\alpha: \text{partial molar enthalpy of } \alpha$$

$R_\alpha: \text{(molar) reaction}$

- The specific enthalpy  $\hat{H}$  needs to account for the energy of mixing & formation.

- This all gets quite detailed & is not worth our time, since we are not focusing on this.

- This can be written as: (Eq. F in Table 19.2-4)

$$\hat{g} \overset{\text{specific volume}}{C_P} \frac{DT}{Dt} = -\nabla \cdot \hat{g} - \tau: \nabla \underline{v} + \left( \frac{\partial \ln \hat{V}}{\partial \ln T} \right)_{P, x_\alpha} \frac{DP}{Dt} + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \bar{H}_\alpha [\nabla \cdot \underline{J}_\alpha - R_\alpha]$$

$\hat{g} = -k \nabla T$        $\nabla \cdot \underline{v} + K \nabla v$        $\text{for Newtonian}$   
 $+ \sum_{\alpha} \bar{H}_\alpha \underline{J}_\alpha$

$\underline{J}_\alpha: \text{molar flux of } \alpha$   
w.r.t. mass velocity

$$\underline{J}_\alpha = C_\alpha (\underline{v}_\alpha - \underline{v})$$

\* See Tables 19.2-2, 19.2-3, 19.2-4 for

a complete summary. Also need all thermo info:  $p=p(g, T, x_\alpha)$  !  
 $\hat{u}=\hat{u}(g, T, x_\alpha)$

\* This is very general. Solids, liquids, gases. Multicomponent. Compressible/incompressible, whatever you want! As a matter of fact, it is so general, it is only useful as a summary. Don't ever start here. You need to know what equations are good in what circumstance & use them when appropriate.

## II. The Boussinesq Approximation

\* In addition to assuming Fourier's law, Fick's law & Newton's law of viscosity, it is very useful to assume incompressibility. This really does simplify our equations a lot. However, temperature & concentration differences very easily lead to density differences. Is there another way to treat these kinds of flows w/o resorting to the mess above?

\* Let's write our equation of state as:

$$\bar{g} = \bar{g} + \frac{\partial \bar{g}}{\partial T} \Big|_{\bar{T}, \bar{w}_A} (T - \bar{T}) + \frac{\partial \bar{g}}{\partial w_A} \Big|_{\bar{g}, \bar{w}_A} (w_A - \bar{w}_A) + \dots$$

- Taylor expansion about average  $\bar{T}$  & average  $\bar{w}_A$
- $\bar{g}$ : avg density,  $\bar{T}$ : avg temp,  $\bar{w}_A$ : avg  $w_A$
- Expansion for a binary system only. Can add more terms, i.e.  $\partial \bar{g} / \partial w_B (w_B - \bar{w}_B)$  if needed.

- Recall that

$$\beta = -\frac{1}{\bar{g}} \left( \frac{\partial \bar{g}}{\partial T} \right)_P : \text{isobaric thermal expansion coefficient}$$

$$\bar{\beta} = -\frac{1}{\bar{g}} \left( \frac{\partial \bar{g}}{\partial w_A} \right) : \text{solutal expansion coefficient}$$

$$\bar{g} = \bar{g} - \bar{g} \bar{\beta} (T - \bar{T}) - \bar{g} \bar{\beta} (w_A - \bar{w}_A)$$

- This is not silly,  $\bar{\beta} \approx \text{const}$  for many liquids.

\* Now, if we let  $\rho = \bar{\rho}$  for all cases except the buoyancy term in the equation of motion, we get a pretty reasonable set of equations. This is called the Boussinesq approximation.

\* For a non-reacting, binary system w/ const  $\alpha \nless \rho D_{AB}$ , this gives:

$$\alpha = k/\rho \tilde{c}_p$$

$$\rho \frac{D\mathbf{v}}{Dt} = -\nabla P + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} - [\bar{\rho} \bar{\beta}(T - \bar{T}) + \bar{\rho} \bar{s}(w_A - \bar{w}_A)] g$$

$$\frac{DT}{Dt} = \alpha \nabla^2 T \quad \nabla P = \nabla p - \bar{\rho} g$$

$$\frac{Dw_A}{Dt} = D_{AB} \nabla^2 w_A, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

\* Comments:

- Assumes: Fourier's law, Fick's law, Newtonian Fluid.

- Binary, non-reacting, constant  $k, \tilde{c}_p, D_{AB}$

- Boussinesq.

- Still very useful! Good for almost all simple liquids.

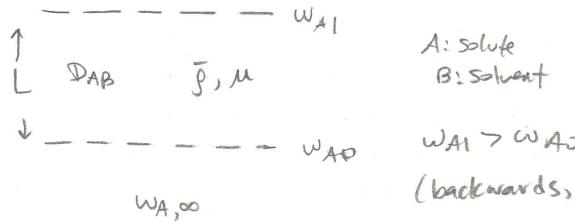
- Many gases. Can simplify for solids.

- Can relatively easily generalize for multicomponent or to include reactions.

- Much better than doing fully compressible case.

### III. Dimensional Analysis of Boussinesq Approximation

\* There is much that can be done here. Let's just examine the case with a conc. difference for now:



$$\int \frac{Dw}{Dt} = -\nabla P + \mu \nabla^2 w - \bar{\rho} g \bar{s} (w_A - \bar{w}_A)$$

$$\frac{Dw_A}{Dt} = D_{AB} \nabla^2 w_A$$

\* let length: L

time: "momentum diffusion" time scale  $L^2/\nu$

$$\bar{s} = \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \frac{\partial P}{\partial w_A}$$

$$\text{pressure: } \bar{\rho} \bar{u}^2 \Rightarrow \bar{\rho} \left( \frac{v}{L} \right)^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{\bar{\rho} L} \quad (\text{not unique choice})$$

\* variables:

$\tilde{v} = v / (\nu L)$	$\tilde{x} = x/L$	$\tilde{g} = g/g$
$\tilde{t} = t / (L^2/\nu)$	$\tilde{\nabla} = L \nabla$	(Because can)
$\tilde{P} = P / \bar{\rho} \left( \frac{v}{L} \right)^2$	$\tilde{w}_A = \frac{w_A - w_{A0}}{w_{A1} - w_{A0}}$	( $\tilde{w}_A \approx \Delta w_A$ )

$$\frac{\bar{\rho} \nu}{L} \frac{v}{L^2} \frac{D\tilde{w}}{Dt} = - \frac{\bar{\rho} v^2}{L L^2} \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{P} + \frac{\mu v/L}{L^2} \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{w} - \bar{\rho} g \tilde{g} \tilde{s} \Delta w_A (\tilde{w}_A - \bar{\tilde{w}}_A)$$

$$\sim \frac{Dw_A}{L^2} \frac{D\tilde{w}_A}{Dt} = D_{AB} \frac{Dw_A}{L^2} \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{w}_A$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{D\tilde{\sigma}}{Dt} = -\tilde{\nabla}P + \frac{L^2}{8\nu^2} \cdot \frac{\mu\tau}{L^2} \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{\sigma} - \frac{\bar{\rho}g\Delta w_A L^3}{\bar{\rho}\nu^2} \tilde{g} \tilde{\sigma} (\tilde{w}_A - \tilde{\bar{w}}_A) \\ \frac{D\tilde{w}_A}{Dt} = \frac{D_{AB} \Delta w_A}{\nu^2} \frac{L^2}{\nu \Delta w_A} \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{w}_A \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{D\tilde{v}}{Dt} = -\tilde{\nabla}P + \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{v} - \frac{g\tilde{\sigma}(\tilde{w}_{A1} - \tilde{w}_{A0})L^3}{\nu^2} \tilde{g} (\tilde{w}_A - \tilde{\bar{w}}_A)$$

$$\frac{D\tilde{w}_A}{Dt} = \frac{D_{AB}}{\nu} \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{w}_A$$

$$\boxed{Gr = \frac{g\tilde{\sigma}(\tilde{w}_{A1} - \tilde{w}_{A0})L^3}{\nu^2}}$$

Grashoff # (masstransfer)

$$\frac{1}{Sc} \boxed{Sc = \frac{\nu}{D_{AB}}}$$

Schmidt #.

$$Gr = \frac{\text{buoyancy}}{\text{viscous forces}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{D\tilde{v}}{Dt} = -\tilde{\nabla}P + \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{v} - Gr \tilde{g} (\tilde{w}_A - \tilde{\bar{w}}_A)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{D\tilde{w}_A}{Dt} = \frac{1}{Sc} \tilde{\nabla}^2 \tilde{w}_A}$$

\* For me: Free convection is very similar to Marangoni Flow.  
This may be interesting to look into more.

\* Comments: Something similar happens for temperature-driven density differences:

$$Gr = \frac{g\bar{\beta}(T_1 - T_0)L^3}{\nu^2}$$

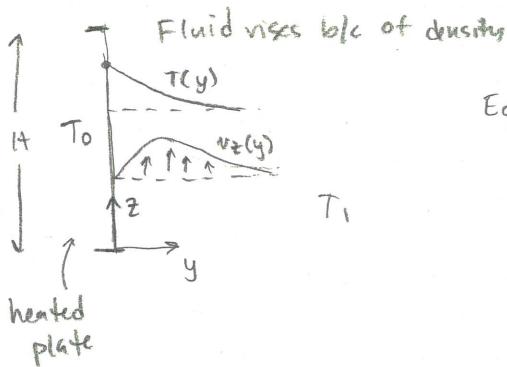
- Other dimensional bases are possible. see Table 11.5-1 (p.355, §11.5) and Eq. 19.5-8 to 19.5-11 (p.600, § 19.5)

#### IV. Free Convection

\* with the Boussinesq approximation, we can now look at problems where density differences (due to  $T$  or  $w$  gradients) can drive flow. This is called free convection. Contrast this with forced convection where pressure, boundaries, or external fields drive flow.

##### A. Free Convection on a <sup>vertical</sup> Flat Plate (Heat Transfer)

§ 11.4, Ex 11.4-5



Equations of change:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\rho \frac{D\vec{v}}{Dt} = -\nabla p + \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \rho g \beta (T - T_\infty)$$

$$\hat{\rho} \hat{C}_P \frac{DT}{Dt} = k T^2$$

\* Steady state, 2D:  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_y(y, z) \\ v_z(y, z) \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $T = T(y, z)$

$$\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = 0, \quad v_x = 0$$

$$\rho \left( v_y \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \right) = \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial z^2} \right) + \bar{\rho} g \bar{\beta} (T - T_\infty) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y}$$

$$\rho \left( v_y \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \right) = \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial z^2} \right) + \bar{\rho} g \bar{\beta} (T - T_\infty) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$$

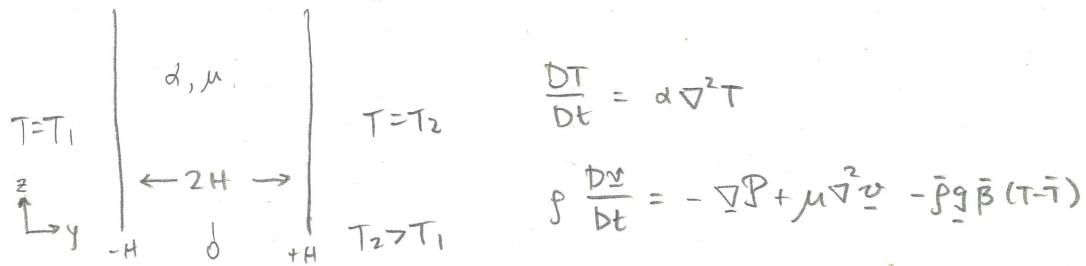
$$\hat{\rho} \hat{C}_P \left( v_y \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) = k \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

\* Clearly  $v_y \ll v_z$ . We can justify this similar to the way we do boundary layers.

\* The length scale for  $z$  is  $L$ , for  $y$  it will be  $S$  where  $S \ll L$ .

\* Using this, these equations will reduce to the boundary layer equations! we will defer discussion of these until later in the course.  
(see also Deen, ch. 12, esp. 12.4)

### B. Free Convection between parallel plates (Deen 12.3-1, p. 467)



\* First solve for  $T$  distribution

$$\nabla^2 T = 0 \quad \text{at steady state}$$

$$\frac{dT}{dy^2} = 0 \quad T(-H) = T_1, \quad T(H) = T_2$$

$$T = c_1 y + c_2 \quad T(H) = c_1 H + c_2 = T_2$$

$$T(-H) = c_1(-H) + c_2 = T_1$$

$$c_2 = \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2} \quad c_1 = \frac{T_2 - T_1}{2H}$$

$$T = \frac{T_2 - T_1}{2H} y + \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

\* Now, let's solve for the velocity distribution.

- We will have unidirectional flow

$$v_z = v_z(y) \text{ only.}$$

- assume steady state  $\Rightarrow \rho \frac{Dv_z}{Dt} = 0$

$$\theta = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y^2} + \rho g \beta (T - \bar{T})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z^2} = 0 \quad \underline{g} = [0, 0, -g]$$

what is  $\bar{T}$ ?

we haven't picked yet  
since there is no  $T_{\text{ao}}$ .

What is  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = ?$  If a pressure gradient exists, we will have mixed convection. Let's assume  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0$ . This gives us free convection only. (e.g. closed channel ends)

Mixed = both  
free &  
forced  
convection

$$\frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\rho g \beta}{\mu} (T - \bar{T})$$

$$\text{lets set } \bar{T} = \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2}$$

$$\uparrow \\ T = T(y)$$

we could pick something else,  
but this will be convenient.

$$\frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\rho g \beta}{\mu} \left[ \frac{T_2 - T_1}{2H} y + \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2} - \frac{(T_1 + T_2)}{2} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T}{2\mu H} y$$

$$\Delta T = T_2 - T_1$$

\* integrate 2x

$$\frac{dv_z}{dy} = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T}{2\mu H} \frac{y^2}{2} + C_1 \Rightarrow v_z = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T}{6\mu H} y^3 + C_1 y + C_2$$

\* Evaluate BC's:

$$v_z(-H) = 0 = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T (-H)^3}{12\mu H} + C_1 (-H) + C_2$$

$$v_z(H) = 0 = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T (H)^3}{12\mu H} + C_1 (H) + C_2$$

$$\text{-sum: } C_2 = 0$$

$$\text{-d.H: } 2H C_1 = \frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T H^3}{12\mu H}$$

$$C_1 = \frac{\rho g \beta H \Delta T}{12\mu}$$

\* Now, substitute back into solution

$$v_z = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T}{12 \mu H} y^3 + \frac{\rho g \beta H \Delta T}{12 \mu} y$$

$$v_z = -\frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T}{12 \mu} \cdot \frac{H^2}{H} \frac{y^3}{H^3} + \frac{\rho g \beta \Delta T}{12 \mu} H H \frac{y}{H}$$

$$v_z = \frac{\rho g \beta H^2 \Delta T}{12 \mu} \left[ \frac{y}{H} - \frac{y^3}{H^3} \right]$$

