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Mass Balance and Mass Transfer Part 1

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Chapter Description

- **Aims**

- Apply the knowledge of mass balance and mass transfer in separation process

- **Expected Outcomes**

- Explain the process variables

- **References**

- Elementary Principles of Chemical Processes, Global Edition, Richard M. Felder, Ronald W. Rousseau, Lisa G. Bullard, Wiley, 4th Edition, 2017.
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Introduction to Process & Process Variables

1. Process
2. Process variables – mass, volume, density, flow rate, concentration, pressure, temperature

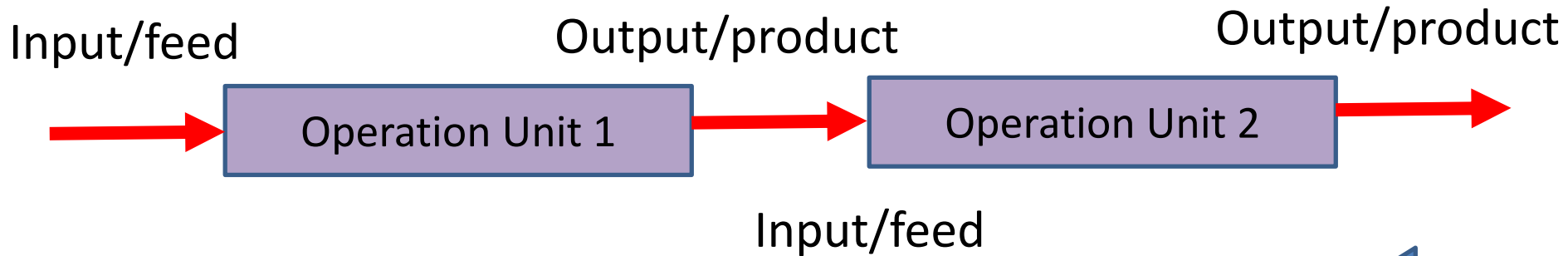
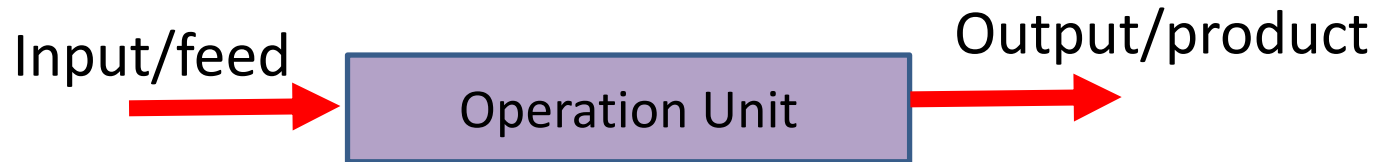


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What is process?



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Mass, volume and Density

- ✓ Mass (m)
 - unit – g, kg, lb_m
- ✓ Volume (V)
 - unit m^3 , cm^3 , ft^3 , L, mL
- ✓ Density (ρ)
 - unit kg/m^3 , g/cm^3 , lb_m/ft^3



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Specific Gravity

- Specific gravity (SG):

$$SG = \rho / \rho_{ref}$$

- The reference most commonly used for solids and liquids is water at 4 °C.

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{ref} \text{ of water at } 4^{\circ}\text{C} &= 1.000 \text{ g/cm}^3 \\ &= 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3 \\ &= 62.43 \text{ lbm/ft}^3\end{aligned}$$



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Flow Rate

- ✓ Flow rate:
Rate at which a material is transported through a process line
- ✓ The flowrate of a process stream may be expressed as:

mass flow rate
(mass/time)

volumetric
flow rate
(volume/time).



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Mass and Mole Fraction

- Mass fraction, $x_{\text{species } A} = \frac{\text{mass of species } A}{\text{total mass}}$
- Mole fraction, $y_{\text{species } A} = \frac{\text{moles of species } A}{\text{total moles}}$



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Concentration

- ✓ Mass concentration unit: g/cm^3 , lbm/ft^3 , kg/in^3
- ✓ Molar concentration unit: kmol/m^3 , lb-moles/ft^3
- ✓ Molarity: mol/L (eg: 4 molar solution of A contains 4 mol A in a liter solution)



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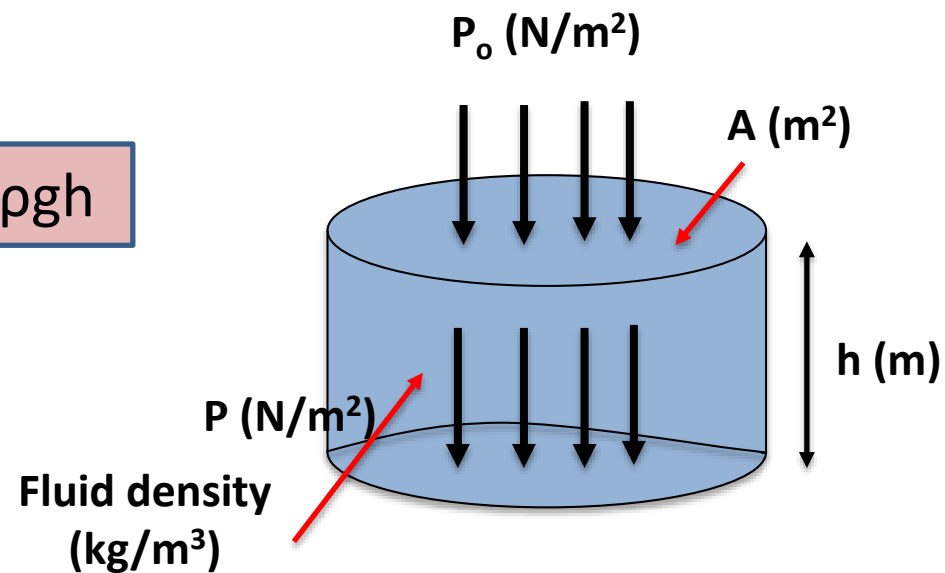
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Pressure

- ✓ Pressure: ratio of **force** to the **area** on which the forces act
: unit N/m^2 , Pascal

$$\text{Hydrostatic Pressure} = P_0 + \rho gh$$



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Atmospheric Pressure, Absolute Pressure and Gauge Pressure

$$P_{\text{absolute}} = P_{\text{gauge}} + P_{\text{atmospheric}}$$

What is absolute pressure? Gauge pressure?



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Temperature

Temperature conversion:

$$T(\text{K}) = T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 273.15$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{R}) = T(^{\circ}\text{F}) + 459.67$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{R}) = 1.8 (K)$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{F}) = 1.8T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32$$



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Conclusion of The Chapter

This chapter discussed about process variables, i.e mass, mole fraction, pressure, temperature, concentration, flow rate etc.



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