

# Reynolds Analogy

## Reynolds Analogies

If  $dp^*/dx^*=0$ ,  $Pr=Sc=1$ , the boundary layer equations for fluid flow, heat transfer and mass transfer become same form.

$$C_f \frac{Re_L}{2} = Nu = Sh$$

$$St \equiv \frac{h}{\rho V c_p} = \frac{Nu}{Re Pr}$$

$$St_m \equiv \frac{h_m}{V} = \frac{Sh}{Re Sc}$$

$$Pr = Sc = 1$$

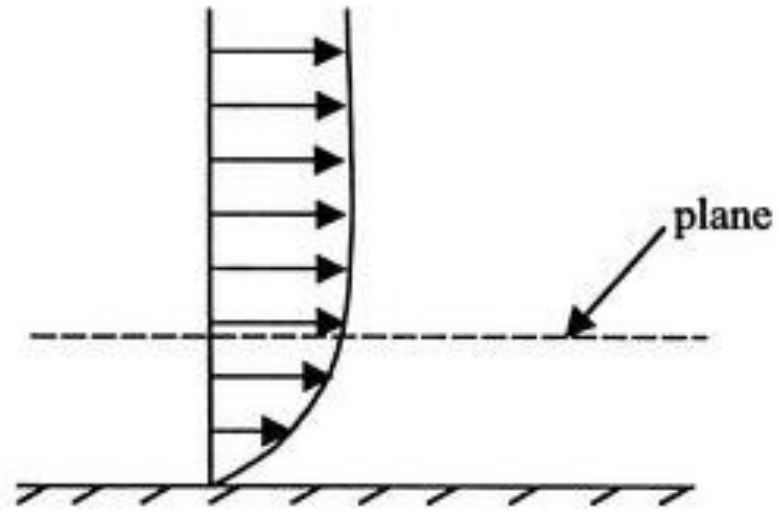
$$C_f / 2 = St = St_m$$

# Description of analogy

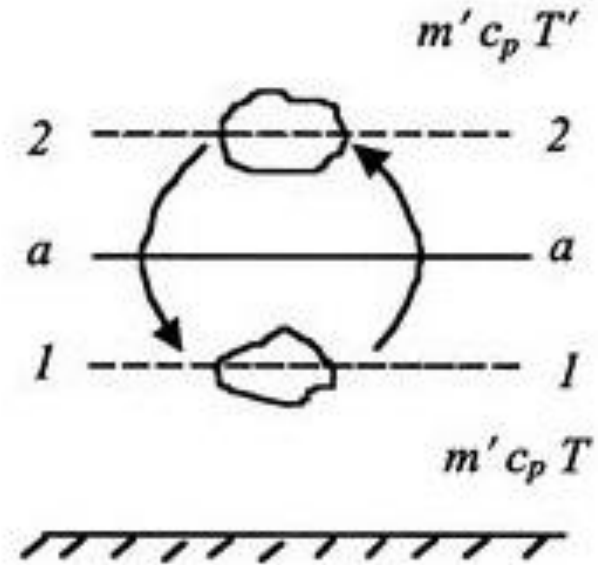
- We describe the physical mechanism for the heat transfer coefficient in a **turbulent boundary layer** because most aerospace vehicle applications have turbulent boundary layers.
- The treatment closely follows that in Eckert and Drake (1959).
- Very near the wall, the fluid motion is smooth and laminar, and molecular conduction and shear are important.
- The shear stress, at a plane is given by  $\tau = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$  (where  $\mu$  is the dynamic viscosity), and the heat flux  $q = -k \frac{dT}{dy}$ .
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- The boundary layer is a region in which the velocity is lower than the free stream as shown in Figure
- In a turbulent boundary layer, the dominant mechanisms of shear stress and heat transfer change in nature as one moves away from the wall.



**Velocity profile near a surface**



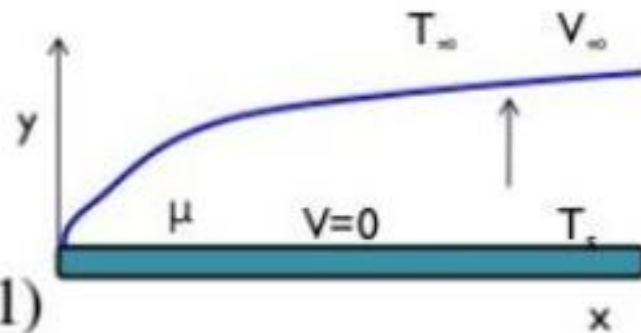
**Momentum and energy exchanges in turbulent flow**

# Reynold's Analogy

Reynold's Analogy is the relationship between  $C_f$  &  $h$  (heat transfer by convection) between plate surface and fluid for Laminar Flow over Flat Plate

As per Newton's Law of Viscosity, Shear Stress in Laminar Flow in the normal direction to the Plate is given as:

$$\tau_s = \mu \frac{dV}{dy} \Rightarrow dy = \frac{\mu dV}{\tau_s} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$



*Heat Flow along y direction is given by Fourier's Law*

$$Q = -KA \frac{dT}{dy} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

## Reynold's Analogy

$$\text{We know that } Pr = \frac{\mu C_p}{K}$$

$$\text{Assuming } Pr \approx 1; \text{ we have } K = \mu C_p \dots (3)$$

On substitution in Eqn(2) from (1) & (3)

$$Q = -\mu C_p A \frac{dT}{dy}$$

$$Q = -\mu C_p A \frac{dT}{\mu dV} \tau_s = -C_p A \frac{dT}{dV} \tau_s \dots \dots (4)$$

## Reynold's Analogy

BC 1) For  $V=0$  at plate surface,  $T=T_s$

BC 2): For  $V=V_\infty$  on outer edge of BL;  $T=T_\infty$

Separating Variables and Integrating,  
we have:

$$\frac{Q}{C_p \cdot A \cdot \tau_s} \int_0^{V_\infty} dV = - \int_{T_s}^{T_\infty} dT \Rightarrow \frac{Q}{C_p \cdot A \cdot \tau_s} \cdot V_\infty = (T_s - T_\infty)$$

## Reynold's Analogy

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q}{A(T_s - T_\infty)} = \tau_s \frac{C_p}{V_\infty} \Rightarrow h = \tau_s \frac{C_p}{V_\infty}$$

*Skin Friction is defined in Drag Force as :*

$$F_D = C_f \cdot \frac{1}{2} \rho A V^2$$

*Hence* 
$$\tau_s = \frac{F_D}{A} = C_f \cdot \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2$$



## Reynold's Analogy (Pr=1)

*Substituting in equation  $\Rightarrow h = \tau_s \cdot \frac{C_p}{V_\infty}$*

$$h = C_f \cdot \frac{1}{2} \rho V_\infty^2 \cdot \frac{C_p}{V_\infty}$$

$$\frac{C_f}{2} = \frac{h}{\rho C_p V_\infty} = St \quad \text{REYNOLD'S ANALOGY}$$

# Chilton-Colburn Analogies

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$$\frac{C_f}{2} = St Pr^{2/3} \equiv j_H \quad 0.6 < Pr < 60$$

$$\frac{C_f}{2} = St_m Sc^{2/3} \equiv j_m \quad 0.6 < Sc < 3000$$

For Laminar flow, need  $dP^*/dx^* = 0$ ;

For turbulent flow, doesn't need  $dp^*/dx^* = 0$

## Chilton & Colburn Analogy

Reynold's Analogy assumes  $Pr=1$ ; hence when  $Pr \neq 1$ , poor results are obtained. This analogy was modified Chilton & Colburn

We know that :  $Nu = 0.664 Re^{1/2} . Pr^{1/3}$

*Dividing both sides by  $Re Pr^{1/3}$ ; We have*

$$\frac{Nu}{Re . Pr^{1/3}} = \frac{0.664}{Re^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1.328}{\sqrt{Re}} = \frac{C_f}{2}$$

## Chilton & Colburn Analogy

$$\frac{C_f}{2} = \frac{Nu}{Re \cdot Pr^{1/3}} = St \cdot Pr^{2/3}$$

*CHILTON & COLBURN ANALOGY*

*(Holds good for Pr from 0.5 to 50)*

*(Put Pr = 1  $\Rightarrow$  Reynold's Analogy)*

# Questions:

1. What are the other analogies of transport phenomena. Explain in brief.
2. What is the importance of analogies from chemical engineering point of view.
3. Explain in details validity of Reynolds number and its significance.

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