

Important Formulas in Drying Mass Transfer Operation PDF



Formulas Examples with Units

List of 33 Important Formulas in Drying Mass Transfer Operation

1) Constant Drying Time from Initial to Critical Moisture Content Formula

Formula

$$t_c = W_S \cdot \frac{(X_{i(\text{Constant})} - X_c)}{(A \cdot N_c)}$$

Example with Units

$$190_s = 100_{\text{kg}} \cdot \frac{(0.49 - 0.11)}{(0.1_{\text{m}^2} \cdot 2_{\text{kg/s/m}^2})}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2) Constant Drying Time from Initial to Critical Weight of Moisture Formula

Formula

$$t_c = \frac{M_{i(\text{Constant})} - M_c}{A \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$190_s = \frac{49_{\text{kg}} - 11_{\text{kg}}}{0.1_{\text{m}^2} \cdot 2_{\text{kg/s/m}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3) Constant Drying Time from Initial to Final Moisture Content Formula

Formula

$$t_c = W_S \cdot \frac{X_{i(\text{Constant})} - X_{f(\text{Constant})}}{A \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$170_s = 100_{\text{kg}} \cdot \frac{0.49 - 0.15}{0.1_{\text{m}^2} \cdot 2_{\text{kg/s/m}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4) Constant Drying Time from Initial to Final Weight of Moisture Formula

Formula

$$t_c = \frac{M_{i(\text{Constant})} - M_{f(\text{Constant})}}{A \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$170_s = \frac{49_{\text{kg}} - 15_{\text{kg}}}{0.1_{\text{m}^2} \cdot 2_{\text{kg/s/m}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5) Critical Moisture Content based on Initial Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period Formula

Formula

$$X_c = X_{i(\text{Constant})} - \left(\frac{A \cdot t_c \cdot N_c}{W_S} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.11 = 0.49 - \left(\frac{0.1_{\text{m}^2} \cdot 190_s \cdot 2_{\text{kg/s/m}^2}}{100_{\text{kg}}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 



6) Dry Weight of Solid based on Critical to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$W_S = \frac{A \cdot t_f}{\left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{X_{f(Falling)} - X_{Eq}} \right) \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$88.9662 \text{ kg} = \frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 37 \text{ s}}{\left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)}$$

7) Dry Weight of Solid based on Initial to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$W_S = \frac{A \cdot t_f}{\left(\frac{X_{i(Falling)} - X_{Eq}}{N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_{i(Falling)} - X_{Eq}}{X_{f(Falling)} - X_{Eq}} \right) \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$122.9264 \text{ kg} = \frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 37 \text{ s}}{\left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)}$$

8) Dry Weight of Solid from Initial to Critical Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$W_S = \frac{t_c \cdot A \cdot N_c}{X_{i(Constant)} - X_c}$$

Example with Units

$$100 \text{ kg} = \frac{190 \text{ s} \cdot 0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{0.49 - 0.11}$$

9) Dry Weight of Solid from Initial to Final Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period Formula



Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$W_S = \frac{t_c \cdot A \cdot N_c}{X_{i(Constant)} - X_{f(Constant)}}$$

Example with Units

$$111.7647 \text{ kg} = \frac{190 \text{ s} \cdot 0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{0.49 - 0.15}$$



10) Drying Surface Area based on Critical to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = \left(\frac{W_S}{t_f} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{X_{f(Falling)} - X_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.1124 \text{ m}^2 = \left(\frac{100 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)$$

11) Drying Surface Area based on Critical to Final Weight of Moisture for Falling Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = \left(\frac{M_c - M_{Eq}}{t_f \cdot N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{M_c - M_{Eq}}{M_{f(Falling)} - M_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.1124 \text{ m}^2 = \left(\frac{11 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{11 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{6.5 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)$$

12) Drying Surface Area based on Initial to Critical Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = W_S \cdot \frac{X_{i(\text{Constant})} - X_c}{t_c \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.1 \text{ m}^2 = 100 \text{ kg} \cdot \frac{0.49 - 0.11}{190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}$$

13) Drying Surface Area based on Initial to Critical Weight of Moisture for Constant Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = \frac{M_{i(\text{Constant})} - M_c}{t_c \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.1 \text{ m}^2 = \frac{49 \text{ kg} - 11 \text{ kg}}{190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}$$

14) Drying Surface Area based on Initial to Final Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = W_S \cdot \frac{X_{i(\text{Constant})} - X_{f(\text{Constant})}}{t_c \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0895 \text{ m}^2 = 100 \text{ kg} \cdot \frac{0.49 - 0.15}{190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}$$



15) Drying Surface Area based on Initial to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = \left(\frac{W_S}{t_f} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{X_{i(\text{Falling})} - X_{\text{Eq}}}{N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_{i(\text{Falling})} - X_{\text{Eq}}}{X_{f(\text{Falling})} - X_{\text{Eq}}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.0813 \text{ m}^2 = \left(\frac{100 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)$$

16) Drying Surface Area based on Initial to Final Weight of Moisture for Constant Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = \frac{M_{i(\text{Constant})} - M_{f(\text{Constant})}}{t_c \cdot N_c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0895 \text{ m}^2 = \frac{49 \text{ kg} - 15 \text{ kg}}{190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}$$

17) Drying Surface Area based on Initial to Final Weight of Moisture for Falling Rate Period

Formula 

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$A = \left(\frac{M_{i(\text{Falling})} - M_{\text{Eq}}}{t_f \cdot N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{M_{i(\text{Falling})} - M_{\text{Eq}}}{M_{f(\text{Falling})} - M_{\text{Eq}}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.0813 \text{ m}^2 = \left(\frac{10 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{10 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{6.5 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)$$

18) Falling Rate Drying Time from Critical to Final Moisture Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$t_f = \left(\frac{W_S}{A} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{X_c - X_{\text{Eq}}}{N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_c - X_{\text{Eq}}}{X_{f(\text{Falling})} - X_{\text{Eq}}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$41.5888 \text{ s} = \left(\frac{100 \text{ kg}}{0.1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)$$



19) Falling Rate Drying Time from Critical to Final Weight of Moisture Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$t_f = \left(\frac{M_c - M_{Eq}}{A \cdot N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{M_c - M_{Eq}}{M_{f(Falling)} - M_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$41.5888s = \left(\frac{11 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{11 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{6.5 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)$$

20) Falling Rate Drying Time from Initial to Final Moisture Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$t_f = \left(\frac{W_s}{A} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{X_{i(Falling)} - X_{Eq}}{N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_{i(Falling)} - X_{Eq}}{X_{f(Falling)} - X_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$30.0993s = \left(\frac{100 \text{ kg}}{0.1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)$$

21) Falling Rate Drying Time from Initial to Final Weight of Moisture Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$t_f = \left(\frac{M_{i(Falling)} - M_{Eq}}{A \cdot N_c} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{M_{i(Falling)} - M_{Eq}}{M_{f(Falling)} - M_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$30.0993s = \left(\frac{10 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{10 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{6.5 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)$$

22) Final Moisture Content based on Critical to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$X_{f(Falling)} = \left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{\exp \left(\frac{A \cdot t_f \cdot N_c}{W_s \cdot (X_c - X_{Eq})} \right)} \right) + X_{Eq}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0675 = \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{\exp \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 37s \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{100 \text{ kg} \cdot (0.11 - 0.05)} \right)} \right) + 0.05$$



23) Final Moisture Content based on Initial Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period Formula



Formula

$$X_{f(\text{Constant})} = X_{i(\text{Constant})} - \left(\frac{A \cdot t_c \cdot N_c}{W_S} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.11 = 0.49 - \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{100 \text{ kg}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula

24) Final Moisture Content based on Initial to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period Formula



Formula

$$X_{f(\text{Falling})} = \left(\frac{X_{i(\text{Falling})} - X_{\text{Eq}}}{\exp \left(\frac{A \cdot t_f \cdot N_c}{W_S \cdot (X_{i(\text{Falling})} - X_{\text{Eq}})} \right)} \right) + X_{\text{Eq}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0614 = \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{\exp \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 37 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{100 \text{ kg} \cdot (0.10 - 0.05)} \right)} \right) + 0.05$$

Evaluate Formula

25) Initial Moisture Content based on Critical Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period Formula



Formula

$$X_{i(\text{Constant})} = \left(\frac{A \cdot t_c \cdot N_c}{W_S} \right) + X_c$$

Example with Units

$$0.49 = \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{100 \text{ kg}} \right) + 0.11$$

Evaluate Formula

26) Initial Moisture Content based on Final Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period Formula



Formula

$$X_{i(\text{Constant})} = \left(\frac{A \cdot t_c \cdot N_c}{W_S} \right) + X_{f(\text{Constant})}$$

Example with Units

$$0.53 = \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 190 \text{ s} \cdot 2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2}{100 \text{ kg}} \right) + 0.15$$

Evaluate Formula

27) Rate of Constant Drying Period based on Critical Moisture Content Formula



Formula

$$N_c = W_S \cdot \frac{X_{i(\text{Constant})} - X_c}{A \cdot t_c}$$

Example with Units

$$2 \text{ kg/s/m}^2 = 100 \text{ kg} \cdot \frac{0.49 - 0.11}{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 190 \text{ s}}$$

Evaluate Formula



28) Rate of Constant Drying Period based on Critical to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$N_c = \left(\frac{W_S}{t_f} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{A} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_c - X_{Eq}}{X_{f(Falling)} - X_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$2.248 \text{ kg/s/m}^2 = \left(\frac{100 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{0.1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.11 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)$$

29) Rate of Constant Drying Period based on Critical to Final Weight of Moisture for Falling Rate Period Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$N_c = \left(\frac{M_c - M_{Eq}}{t_f \cdot A} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{M_c - M_{Eq}}{M_{f(Falling)} - M_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$2.248 \text{ kg/s/m}^2 = \left(\frac{11 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s} \cdot 0.1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{11 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{6.5 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)$$

30) Rate of Constant Drying Period based on Final Moisture Content Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$N_c = W_S \cdot \frac{X_{i(\text{Constant})} - X_{f(\text{Constant})}}{A \cdot t_c}$$

$$1.7895 \text{ kg/s/m}^2 = 100 \text{ kg} \cdot \frac{0.49 - 0.15}{0.1 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 190 \text{ s}}$$

31) Rate of Constant Drying Period based on Initial to Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$N_c = \left(\frac{W_S}{t_f} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{X_{i(Falling)} - X_{Eq}}{A} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{X_{i(Falling)} - X_{Eq}}{X_{f(Falling)} - X_{Eq}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$1.627 \text{ kg/s/m}^2 = \left(\frac{100 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{0.1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{0.10 - 0.05}{0.065 - 0.05} \right) \right)$$



32) Rate of Constant Drying Period based on Initial to Final Weight of Moisture for Falling Rate Period Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$N_c = \left(\frac{M_{i(\text{Falling})} - M_{\text{Eq}}}{t_f \cdot A} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{M_{i(\text{Falling})} - M_{\text{Eq}}}{M_{f(\text{Falling})} - M_{\text{Eq}}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$1.627 \text{ kg/s/m}^2 = \left(\frac{10 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{37 \text{ s} \cdot 0.1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{10 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}}{6.5 \text{ kg} - 5 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)$$

33) Total Drying Time based on Constant Drying Time and Falling Drying Time Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$t = t_c + t_f$$

$$227 \text{ s} = 190 \text{ s} + 37 \text{ s}$$



Variables used in list of Important Formulas in Drying Mass Transfer Operation above

- **A** Drying Surface Area (Square Meter)
- **M_c** Critical Weight of Moisture (Kilogram)
- **M_{Eq}** Equilibrium Weight of Moisture (Kilogram)
- **M_f(Constant)** Final Weight of Moisture for Constant Rate Period (Kilogram)
- **M_f(Falling)** Final Weight of Moisture for Falling Rate Period (Kilogram)
- **M_i(Constant)** Initial Weight of Moisture for Constant Rate (Kilogram)
- **M_i(Falling)** Initial Weight of Moisture for Falling Rate Period (Kilogram)
- **N_c** Rate of Constant Drying Period (Kilogram per Second per Square Meter)
- **t** Total Drying Time (Second)
- **t_c** Constant Rate Drying Time (Second)
- **t_f** Falling Rate Drying Time (Second)
- **W_S** Dry Weight of Solid (Kilogram)
- **X_c** Critical Moisture Content
- **X_{Eq}** Equilibrium Moisture Content
- **X_f(Constant)** Final Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period
- **X_f(Falling)** Final Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period
- **X_i(Constant)** Initial Moisture Content for Constant Rate Period
- **X_i(Falling)** Initial Moisture Content for Falling Rate Period

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Important Formulas in Drying Mass Transfer Operation above

- **Functions: exp**, exp(Number)
n an exponential function, the value of the function changes by a constant factor for every unit change in the independent variable.
- **Functions: ln**, ln(Number)
The natural logarithm, also known as the logarithm to the base e, is the inverse function of the natural exponential function.
- **Measurement: Weight** in Kilogram (kg)
Weight Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Time** in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Area** in Square Meter (m²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Mass Flux** in Kilogram per Second per Square Meter (kg/s/m²)
Mass Flux Unit Conversion 



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