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List of symbols

Latin letters

a	width of a surface element on the heat exchanger, m
A	amplitude, m
b	mass absorption coefficient, $\text{m}^2 \text{kg}^{-1}$
B	constant
c	heat capacity, $\text{W s kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
c_c	heat capacity of the continuous phase, $\text{W s kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
c_g	gas specific heat, $\text{W s kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
c_p	particle material specific heat, $\text{W s kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
C	constant
d_p	particle diameter, bubble diameter, m
d_{pc}	characteristic particle size of a cold system, m
d_{ph}	characteristic particle size of a hot system, m
D	diameter of optical fibre, diameter of the circulating fluidized bed (Chapter 15), m
D_p	pipe diameter, m
D_h	hydraulic diameter of the fluidized bed, m
F	cross-sectional area of the fluidized bed, m^2
f	particle exchange frequency, s^{-1}
$f(t)$	residence time distribution density, s^{-1}
f_L	particle exchange frequency at large heat exchanger surfaces, s^{-1}
$F(t)$	cumulative residence time distribution
F_H	adhesion force, N
F_{particle}	surface area of a particle, m^2
F_{hex}	surface area of the heat exchanger, m^2
g	gravitational acceleration, m s^{-2}
$g(u - u_{mf})$	normalized gas convective heat transfer function, defined by (7.1)
G_1, G_2	constant
h, h_{max}	heat transfer coefficient, maximum value, $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-1}$
h_i	instantaneous heat transfer coefficient, $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-1}$
h_{gc}	gas convective component of heat transfer coefficient, $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-1}$

h_{pc}	particle convective component of heat transfer coefficient, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
h_L	heat transfer coefficient at large heat exchanger surface, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
h_i	surface-averaged heat transfer coefficient of a particle, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
H	height, m
H_{CFB}	total height of the circulating fluidized bed (CFB), m
$h_{cond \text{ particle}}$	heat transfer coefficient for one particle caused by heat conduction in the gas, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
h_{cond}	heat transfer coefficient caused by heat conduction in the gas, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
h_{conv}	heat transfer coefficient caused by heat convection in the gas, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
H_{mf}	height of the solids at minimum fluidization, m
h_1	height of the lower steady-state section, m
h_{ts}	heat transfer coefficient in CFBs when two steady-state sections occur, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
h_{os}	heat transfer coefficient in CFBs when one steady-state section occurs, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
h_{rad}	heat transfer coefficient in CFBs caused by radiation, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
$h_{rad \text{ effective}}$	heat transfer coefficient in CFBs effectively caused by radiation, $W m^{-2} K^{-1}$
I	dimensionless heat transfer coefficient, defined by (7.7)
I_0	intensity of unattenuated radiation, s^{-1}
I	intensity of attenuated radiation (Chapter 13), s^{-1}
J	dimensionless heat transfer coefficient, defined by (7.8)
k	thermal conductivity, $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$
k_c	thermal conductivity of the continuous phase, $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$
k_e	effective thermal conductivity in a particle packet, $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$
k_{eff}	effective thermal conductivity, defined by (7.9), $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$
k_g	gas thermal conductivity, $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$
k_p	particle material thermal conductivity, $W m^{-1} K^{-1}$
K	lift force, N
l	length, m
l_1	$\equiv \left[\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{g}(\rho_p - \rho_g)} \right]^{2/3}$, laminar flow length scale, m
ΔL	length of a pipe element, m
l_t	$\equiv \left[\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{g}(\rho_p - \rho_g)\rho_g} \right]^{2/3}$, turbulent flow length scale, m
l_0	mean free path of gas molecules, m
L, L_0	digital luminosity, initial value
L	length of the γ -ray beam in the circulating fluidized bed (Chapter 13), m

L_p	packing or pipe length, m
M	minimum length of heat exchanger, m
M_p	mass of the solids in the CFB, kg
M_c	mass of the continuous phase, kg
\dot{M}_p	solids mass flow rate, kg s^{-1}
\dot{M}_g	gas mass flow rate, kg s^{-1}
n, n_{p0}	number of particles, initial value (Chapter 2)
n	number of particle rows (Chapter 3)
P	power input, W
p	pressure, N m^{-2}
$p(u - u_{mf})$	normalized particle convective heat transfer, defined by (7.11)
Δp	pressure drop, N m^{-2}
ΔP_{CFB}	total pressure drop in the riser of a CFB, N m^{-2}
P_1, P_2	constants
P_1^*, P_2^*	constants
q_{12}	radiative heat flux from object 1 to object 2, W m^{-2}
\dot{Q}	energy transfer per unit time, W
r	integration variable, m
r_0	characteristic particle dimension, m
R	aerodynamic resistance force, N
R	radius (Chapter 3), m
s	characteristic length of surface asperities, m
s_{\min}	minimum effective surface asperities according to (3.25), m
S_p	particle surface area, inner pipe surface area, m^2
t	time, s
Δt	time interval, s
T_m	mean temperature, K
T_p	particle temperature, K
T_{susp}	suspension temperature, K
T_w	wall temperature, K
ΔT	temperature difference, K
ΔT_{\log}	logarithmic temperature difference, K, defined by (3.6)
T_0	entrance temperature of the gas, K
T_1	exit temperature of the gas, K
u	superficial gas velocity, m s^{-1}
u_{mf}	superficial gas velocity at minimum fluidization condition, m s^{-1}
$u(y)$	shear field velocity, m s^{-1}
u_l	lateral particle velocity, m s^{-1}
u_v	vertical particle velocity, m s^{-1}
u_x	x-component of the velocity vector in Cartesian coordinates, m s^{-1}
v	mean pipe flow velocity, superficial velocity of the continuous phase, m s^{-1}
v_{\max}	maximum particle transport velocity, m s^{-1}
v_G	velocity of the gas in the dilute phase, m s^{-1}

v_p	velocity of a particle, m s^{-1}
v_g	velocity of the gas, m s^{-1}
v_{rel}	relative velocity, m s^{-1}
V	particle velocity in shear field, m s^{-1}
V_{fl}	fluid volume, m^3
V_{bed}	volume of a fluidized bed, m^3
\dot{V}	volumetric flow rate of the continuous phase, $\text{m}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$
w	velocity of the strands, m s^{-1}
w_f	single-particle fall velocity, m s^{-1}
W	probability
x, y, z	Cartesian coordinates, m
X	coordinate, m
ΔX	length, m
y	coordinate, m
Y	coordinate, m

Greek letters

α	constant
β	constant
γ	accommodation coefficient
δ	characteristic dimension for the space around the particles at particulate fluidization, m
δ_l	laminar boundary layer thickness, m
δ_{tr}	boundary layer length scale in the transitional regime, m
δ_{turb}	boundary layer length scale in the turbulent flow regime, m
ε	void fraction
ε_{mf}	minimum fluidization void fraction
$\varepsilon_{1,2}$	emissivities of solid bodies 1, 2
ε_p	emissivity of the particles
ε_w	emissivity of the wall
ε_{rad}	emissivity of the system
ε^*	mass-related power input, W kg^{-1}
ε_l	local void fraction
$\varepsilon_{\text{wall}}$	void fraction in the vicinity of the CFB wall
θ	time, s
ϑ_w	wall temperature, $^{\circ}\text{C}$
ϑ_{susp}	suspension temperature, $^{\circ}\text{C}$
ϑ_p	particle temperature, $^{\circ}\text{C}$
ϑ	temperature (Chapter 16), $^{\circ}\text{C}$
μ	viscosity, $\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$
μ_c	gas viscosity in a cold system, gas viscosity of the continuous phase in Chapters 17 and 18, $\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$
μ_h	gas viscosity in a hot system, $\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$

ν	kinematic viscosity, kinematic viscosity of the continuous phase, $\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$
ρ	density, kg m^{-3}
ρ_b	bulk density, kg m^{-3}
ρ_c	density of the continuous phase, kg m^{-3}
ρ_g	gas density, kg m^{-3}
ρ_{gc}	gas density in a cold system, kg m^{-3}
ρ_{gh}	gas density in a hot system, kg m^{-3}
ρ_p	particle density, kg m^{-3}
σ	Stefan–Boltzmann constant = 5.67×10^{-8} , $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-4}$
τ	mean residence time, s
φ	angle
Φ	sphericity, dimensionless pressure drop in Chapters 15 and 16, defined by (15.2)
Φ_D	pressure drop shape factor
ω	cyclic frequency, s^{-1}

Dimensionless groups

$\text{Ar} \equiv \frac{d_p^3 g (\rho_p - \rho_g) \rho_g}{\mu^2}$	Archimedes number
$C_D \equiv \frac{R}{[(\pi d_p^2)/4](\rho_g/2)u^2}$	drag coefficient
$\text{Co} \equiv \frac{k_g Cst}{\rho_p c_p d_p^3}$	dimensionless contact time
$\text{Bi} \equiv \frac{hd_p}{k_p}$	Biot number
$\text{Dr} \equiv \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta L} \frac{d_p^3}{\rho_g v^2} \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon}$	pressure drop number with fixed bed percolation
$\text{Eu} \equiv \frac{4(\rho_p - \rho_g)d_p g}{3\rho_g u^2} \varepsilon^2$	Euler number
$\text{Fr} \equiv \frac{v^2}{d_p g}$	Froude number
$\text{Fr}_p \equiv \frac{v}{\sqrt{\frac{\rho_p - \rho_g}{\rho_g} d_p g}}$	particle Froude number
$\text{Fr}_{\text{pwf}} \equiv \frac{v}{\sqrt{\frac{\rho_p - \rho_g}{\rho_g} d_p g}}$	particle Froude number built with the terminal free-fall velocity of a single particle

$Fr_{p \text{ umf}} \equiv \frac{u_{mf}}{\sqrt{\frac{\rho_p - \rho_g}{\rho_g} d_p g}}$	particle Froude number built with the minimum fluidization velocity
$Nu, Nu_{\max} \equiv \frac{h d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number, maximum value
$Nu_{\text{cond particle}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{cond particle}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number for a particle in the Stokes regime
$Nu_{\text{cond}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{cond}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number caused by heat conduction in the gas
$Nu_{\text{conv}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{conv}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number caused by heat convection in the gas
$Nu_{\text{ts}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{ts}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number in CFBs when two steady-state sections occur
$Nu_{\text{os}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{os}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number in CFBs when one steady-state section occurs
$Nu_{\text{rad}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{rad}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number caused by radiation
$Nu_{\text{rad effective}} \equiv \frac{h_{\text{rad effective}} d_p}{k_g}$	Nusselt number effectively caused by radiation
$Nu_c \equiv \frac{h d_p}{k_c}$	Nusselt number built with the thermal conductivity of the continuous phase
$Nu_p \equiv \frac{h D_p}{k_g}$	pipe flow Nusselt number
$Pe \equiv \frac{\rho_g c_g d_p u}{k_g}$	Peclet number
$Pe_{\text{fl}} \equiv \frac{\rho_g c_g d_p \sqrt{[(\rho_p - \rho_g)/\rho_g] d_p g}}{k_g}$	fluidization Peclet number
$Pe_p \equiv \frac{\rho_g c_g D_p v}{k_g}$	pipe flow Peclet number
$Pr \equiv \frac{c_g \mu}{k_g}$	Prandtl number
$Pr_c \equiv \frac{c_c \mu_c}{k_c}$	Prandtl number of the continuous phase

$\frac{r_0}{\delta} \equiv \left[\frac{\zeta}{\sqrt[3]{1-\varepsilon}} - 1 \right]^{-1}$	length ratio, $\zeta = 0.9$ for a fluidized bed, $\zeta = 0.95$ for a fixed bed
Re	Reynolds number, different definitions
$Re_\varepsilon \equiv \frac{vd}{\varepsilon\nu}$	Reynolds number built with the interstitial fluid velocity
$Re_{rel} \equiv \frac{v_{rel}d_p}{\nu}$	Reynolds number built with the relative velocity
$Re_{umf} \equiv \frac{u_{mf}d_p}{\nu}$	Reynolds number built with the minimum fluidization velocity
$Re_w \equiv \frac{wd_p}{\nu}$	Reynolds number built with the velocity of the downward-falling wall strands
$Re_{wf} \equiv \frac{w_f d_p}{\nu}$	Reynolds number built with the terminal free-fall velocity of a single particle
$Sta \equiv \frac{hd_p}{\rho_g c_g d_p u}$	Stanton number
Sta_1	Stanton number for the first particle row
Sta_n	mean Stanton number for n rows of particles
$Sta_w \equiv \frac{h_{conv}}{\rho_g c_g w}$	Stanton number for the wall strands
$\pi_1 \equiv \frac{d_p^3 g (\rho_p - \rho_g)^2}{\mu^2}$	
$\pi_2 \equiv \frac{\rho_p}{\rho_g}$	
$\pi_3 \equiv \frac{c_g \mu}{k_g} \equiv Pr$	Prandtl number
$\pi_4 \equiv \frac{c_p \mu}{k_g}$	
$\pi_5 \equiv \frac{k_p}{k_g}$	

$$\pi_6 \equiv \frac{hd_p}{k_g} \equiv \text{Nu}$$

Nusselt number

$$\Omega^{1/3} \equiv \left[\frac{\rho_g^2}{\mu g(\rho_p - \rho_g)} \right]^{1/3} u$$

dimensionless gas velocity

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