

$m^*|\mathbf{B}|/kT \ll 1$. Therefore, $\tanh(m^*|\mathbf{B}|/kT) \approx m^*|\mathbf{B}|/kT$, and eq 7 becomes

$$\langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j = [(m^*)^2/kT]\mathbf{B} \quad (8)$$

The average magnetic energy per dipole, $\langle U_M \rangle_j$, in the distribution of dipoles is given by eq 9.^{4d} Meanwhile, the unit volume

$$\langle U_M \rangle_j = -\langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \mathbf{B} \quad (9)$$

element of the electrolyte contains $C_j N_A$ dipoles of species j , where C_j is the concentration and N_A is Avogadro's number. So the total magnetic energy per unit volume containing j_{\max} dipolar species (all with spin $1/2$) is given by

$$U_M|_{\text{per unit volume}} = -N_A \sum_{j=1}^{j_{\max}} C_j \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \mathbf{B} \quad (10)$$

Reasoning by analogy to the method of deriving \mathbf{F}_B (eq 6) from the \mathbf{F}_L forces acting on individual ions, the total force, \mathbf{F}_V , on the unit volume element containing j_{\max} kinds of paramagnetic species is described by the sum of all forces on individual dipoles and is given by eq 11.^{4d}

$$\mathbf{F}_V = -\nabla U_M|_{\text{per unit volume}} \quad (11)$$

Because of eqs 8 and 10, eq 11 gives eq 12.¹⁴

$$\mathbf{F}_V = \mathbf{F}_{VB} + \mathbf{F}_{VC} = 2N_A \sum_{j=1}^{j_{\max}} C_j [(m^*)^2/kT]\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} + N_A \sum_{j=1}^{j_{\max}} [(m^*)^2/kT]|\mathbf{B}|^2 \nabla C_j \quad (12)$$

Because of the first term of eq 12, \mathbf{F}_{VB} , a volume element containing paramagnetic species is attracted toward areas of higher \mathbf{B} , and because of the second term, \mathbf{F}_{VC} , is attracted toward areas of higher concentration.

Overall, the three possible types of magnetic forces acting upon a unit volume element are given by eqs 6 and 12. The first type of force, \mathbf{F}_B , is exerted when the unit volume element carries electric current ($\mathbf{i} \neq 0$), the second type of force, \mathbf{F}_{VB} , is exerted when the volume element (a) contains radicals and (b) is located in a magnetic field gradient where $\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} \neq 0$, and the third type of force, \mathbf{F}_{VC} , is exerted when the concentration of radicals is nonuniform.^{2d,16} Importantly, \mathbf{F}_{VC} is present in homogeneous fields as well, and in typical electrochemical systems, it acts upon the diffusion layer.

The motion of the unit volume element accelerated by the total force $\mathbf{F}_{\text{mag}} = \mathbf{F}_B + \mathbf{F}_{VB} + \mathbf{F}_{VC}$, is described by the Navier–Stokes

(14) Note that $\nabla(\langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \mathbf{B}) = \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} + (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla) \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j + \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \times \nabla \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} \times \nabla \times \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j$.¹⁵ But since $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = 0$ (i.e., \mathbf{B} is not due to currents within our system), $\nabla(\langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \mathbf{B}) = \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} + (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla) \langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j$. Because of eq 8, $\nabla(\langle \mathbf{m} \rangle_j \cdot \mathbf{B}) = 2[(m^*)^2/kT]\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B}$.

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equation (eq 13) expressing Newton's second law of motion (mass

$$\rho(\partial \mathbf{v} / \partial t + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}) = -\nabla P + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{F}_{VB} + \mathbf{F}_{VC} \quad (13)$$

\times acceleration = sum of all forces) in an incompressible fluid ($\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$) of constant density, ρ , and viscosity, η .¹⁷ The velocity of the unit volume element is denoted as \mathbf{v} , and ∇P is the gradient of the dynamic pressure (the thermodynamic pressure gradient plus gravity). At steady state, $\partial \mathbf{v} / \partial t = 0$, and the $\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}$ term describes the centripetal acceleration that maintains the vortices in the solution. The $\eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{v}$ term assumes that the electrolyte is a Newtonian fluid and expresses the frictional forces between the unit volume element and the surrounding liquid.

It is noted now that the bulk migration current density, \mathbf{i} (eq 6), is ultimately due to a faradaic process. Assuming for simplicity that the electrolytic solution contains a single diamagnetic redox-active species, O, that undergoes a one-electron reduction to yield paramagnetic R (eq 14), \mathbf{i} is given in terms of the flux of species O at the electrode,



$\mathbf{J}_O|_{\text{at the electrode}}$, via eq 15.

$$\mathbf{i} = -F \mathbf{J}_O|_{\text{at the electrode}} \quad (15)$$

In general, the flux of diamagnetic O is given by the Nernst–Planck equation (eq 16),^{18a} where all previously defined symbols

$$\mathbf{J}_O = -D_O \nabla C_O(r, \phi, z, t) - [z_O C_O(r, \phi, z, t) D_O F / N_A kT] \nabla \phi + C_O(r, \phi, z, t) \mathbf{v} \quad (16)$$

have their usual meaning, while $C_O(r, \phi, z, t)$, D_O , and z_O are the concentration profile, the diffusion coefficient, and the ionic charge of O, respectively, and $\nabla \phi$ is the gradient of the electric potential.

With conventional disk millielectrodes, only the flux component normal to the electrode (in the z direction, Chart 1) contributes to the current density. One of the boundary conditions for the velocity profile \mathbf{v} of eq 13 dictates that, at $z = 0$, $v_z = 0|_{z=0}$ (no slip condition). Furthermore, in the presence of a large excess of supporting electrolyte, there are no potential gradients in the electrolytic solution beyond the diffuse layer, i.e., $\Delta \phi \approx 0$. Therefore, eq 15 is simplified to eq 17.

$$\mathbf{i} = |i_z| \hat{\mathbf{z}} = F D_O \partial C_O(r, \phi, z, t) / \partial z|_{z=0} \quad (17)$$

The concentration profile of species O cannot be calculated independently of the profile of species R, because the two profiles are coupled to one another via their boundary conditions at the electrode, which are as follows: (1) the flux balance of O and R ($\mathbf{J}_O|_{z=0} + \mathbf{J}_R|_{z=0} = 0$) and (2) the Nernst equation, if the O/R couple

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