

Diffusion Equation

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Second order partial differential equation of parabolic type on the space-time field variable $w(t, \mathbf{r})$:

(1)
$$\beta \cdot \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = \nabla (M \nabla w) + f(\mathbf{r})$$

where

$w(t, \mathbf{r})$	dynamic variable	$M = M(\mathbf{r}, w)$	mobility kinetic coefficient
t	time	$\beta = \beta(\mathbf{r}, w)$	capacitance kinetic coefficient
$\mathbf{r} = (x, y, z) \in R^3$	position vector	$f(\mathbf{r})$	density of external forces

In the absence of external forces and constant kinetic coefficients the [Diffusion Equation](#) takes form:

(2)
$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = D \cdot \Delta w$$

where D is called [diffusion coefficient](#):

(3)
$$D = \frac{M}{\beta}$$