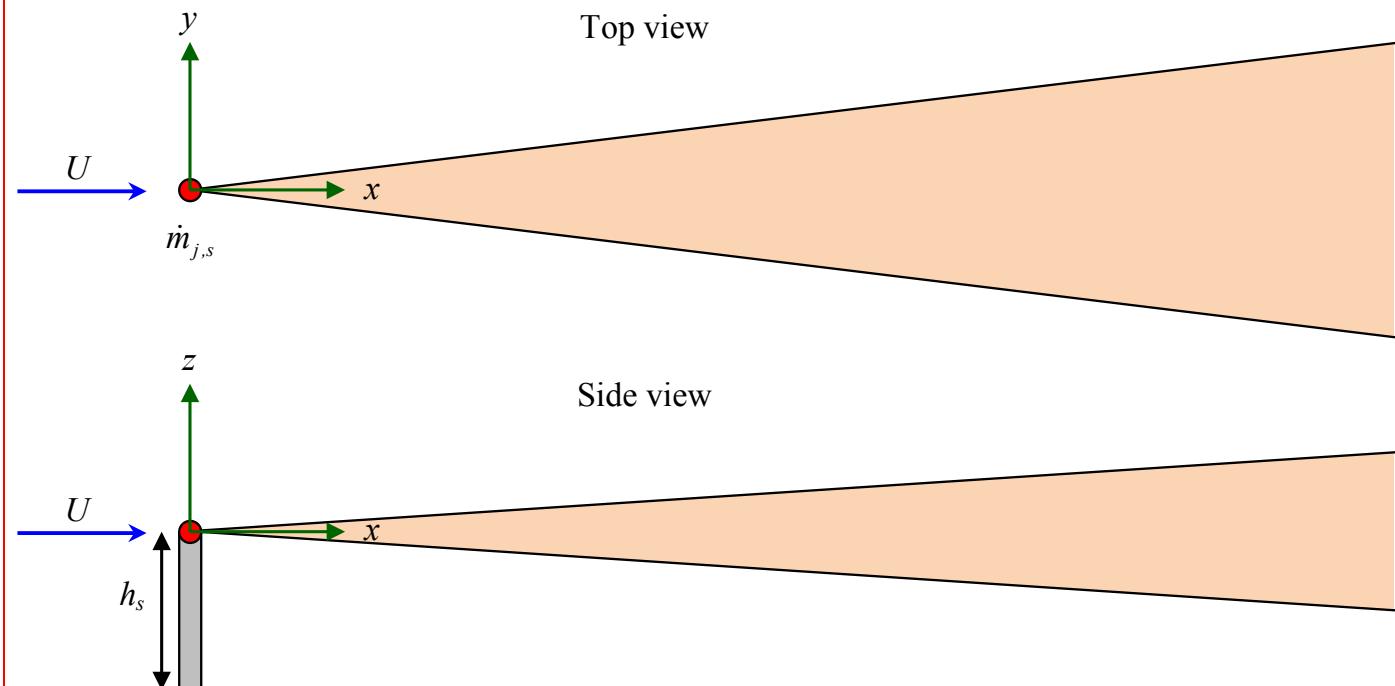


Today, we will:

- Continue derivation of the **Gaussian plume model** – equation and solution
- Modify the solution for a *buoyant* plume, and do some examples/applications
- Compare a ground that absorbs the pollutant vs. one that does *not* absorb the pollutant



From the previous lecture, we derived the differential equation for a non-buoyant Gaussian plume, assuming gradient diffusion, constant U , and constant diffusion coefficients:

$$\frac{\partial c_j}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(Uc_j) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(D_x \frac{\partial c_j}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(D_y \frac{\partial c_j}{\partial y}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(D_z \frac{\partial c_j}{\partial z}\right)$$

where our notation is $D_x = D_{aj,x}$, $D_y = D_{aj,y}$, and $D_z = D_{aj,z}$ for simplicity.

Assumptions and Approximations:

Simplified equation for a steady Gaussian plume without buoyancy:

$$U \frac{\partial c_j}{\partial x} = D_y \frac{\partial^2 c_j}{\partial y^2} + D_z \frac{\partial^2 c_j}{\partial z^2} \quad (1)$$

Now we apply boundary conditions (BCs) and solve (1) for $c_j(x,y,z)$ in this plume.

Dispersion coefficients: Tables scanned from Cooper, C. D. and Alley, F. C. *Air Pollution Control: A Design Approach*, Edition 4, Waveland Press, Inc., Long Grove, IL, 2011, pp. 662-663.

Table 20.1 Stability Classifications*

Surface Wind Speed ^a m/s	Day Incoming Solar Radiation			Night Cloudiness ^e	
	Strong ^b	Moderate ^c	Slight ^d	Cloudy (≥4/8)	Clear (≤3/8)
<2	A	A-B ^f	B	E	F
2-3	A-B	B	C	E	F
3-5	B	B-C	C	D	E
5-6	C	C-D	D	D	D
>6	C	D	D	D	D

^a Surface wind speed is measured at 10 m above the ground.

^b Corresponds to clear summer day with sun higher than 60° above the horizon.

^c Corresponds to a summer day with a few broken clouds, or a clear day with sun 35-60° above the horizon.

^d Corresponds to a fall afternoon, or a cloudy summer day, or clear summer day with the sun 15-35°.

^e Cloudiness is defined as the fraction of sky covered by clouds.

^f For A-B, B-C, or C-D conditions, average the values obtained for each.

* A = Very unstable D = Neutral
 B = Moderately unstable E = Slightly stable
 C = Slightly unstable F = Stable

Regardless of wind speed, Class D should be assumed for overcast conditions, day or night.

Table 20.2 Values of Curve-Fit Constants for Calculating Dispersion Coefficients as a Function of Downwind Distance and Atmospheric Stability

Stability	a	b	x < 1 km			x > 1 km		
			c	d	f	c	d	f
A	213	0.894	440.8	1.941	9.27	459.7	2.094	-9.6
B	156	0.894	106.6	1.149	3.3	108.2	1.098	2.0
C	104	0.894	61.0	0.911	0	61.0	0.911	0
D	68	0.894	33.2	0.725	-1.7	44.5	0.516	-13.0
E	50.5	0.894	22.8	0.678	-1.3	55.4	0.305	-34.0
F	34	0.894	14.35	0.740	-0.35	62.6	0.180	-48.6

Adapted from Martin, 1976.