



Conservation of Mass

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rate of mass increase
within the CV



$$\frac{dM_{CV}}{dt} = \sum_{\text{into CV}} \dot{m} - \sum_{\text{out of CV}} \dot{m}$$

rate at which mass
enters the CV



rate at which mass
leaves the CV



Reminders

1. Identify your control volume.
2. Draw your EFD.
3. State major assumptions where you use them.

Notes

1. (mass flow rate) = (density)*(volumetric flow rate):

$$\dot{m} = \rho VA = \frac{\rho VA}{v}$$

2. When using the First and Second Laws applied to a CV, usually COM will also be used.