

Simulation of Intermediate Transport in Nanoscale Scaffolds for Multistep Catalytic Reactions

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Supporting Information

Domain Size Study

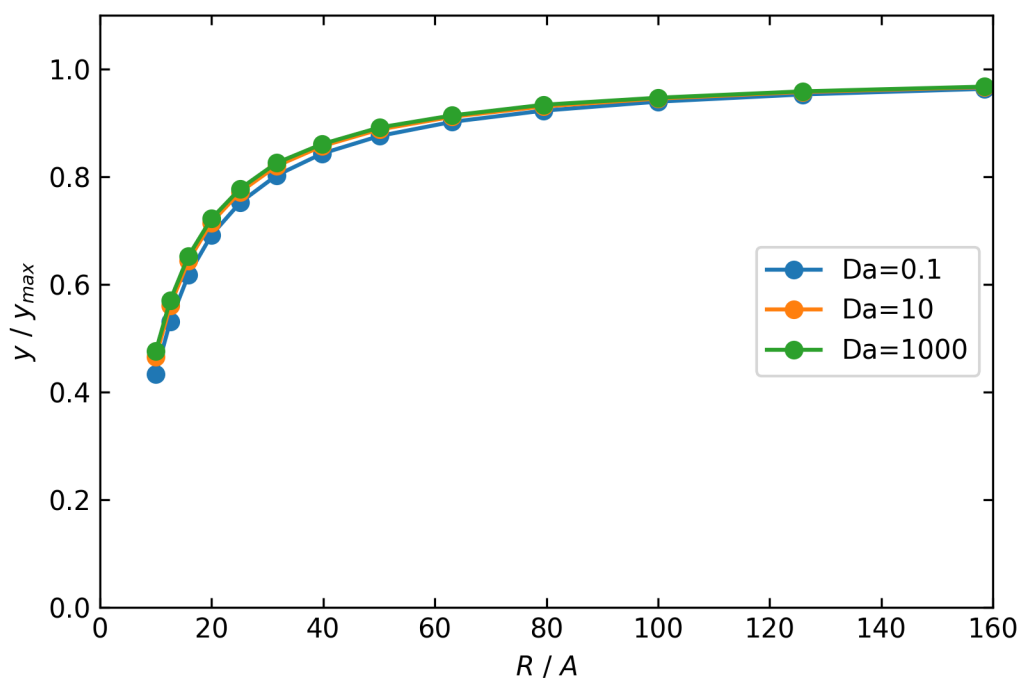


Figure S1. Effect of domain size, R , on simulation results in absence of electrostatic interactions. R was set to 20 nm for this study, which represents a minimal domain size that does not significantly affect yield. Other parameter values given in Table 1.

Analysis of Experimental Data for Fig. 11

Horizontal Axis

To calculate $\mathbf{Da} = k_2 A / D$, the heterogeneous rate constant k_2 (nm s^{-1}) was estimated from experimental rate data, and values of A was assumed to be in the range 0.1–1.0 nm. Unless otherwise noted, the Diffusivity, D , was assumed to be $10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ or $10^9 \text{ nm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$.

The heterogeneous rate constant, k_2 , was calculated from a homogeneous first order rate constant, k'_2 (s^{-1}), determined by experiment, using the following conversion:

$$k_2 = \frac{k'_2}{C_{cat}} \frac{10^{24}}{N_A 2\pi A^2}$$

where C_{cat} (mol L^{-1}) is the catalyst concentration and $N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ (molec/mole) is Avogadro's number. The factor 10^{24} accomplishes the volumetric conversion from L to nm^3 .

Input Data

Reference	k'_2 / s^{-1}	C_{cat} / nm	$D / \text{cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$	τ_0 / s	τ / s
6. Trujillo	0.031	1.4	10^{-5}	30	10^a
10. Lindbladh	0.095	79	10^{-5}	9.5	4.8
19. Zhang	0.012	1	1.7×10^{-5}	137	143
23. Liu	9.5×10^{-3}	7.8	10^{-5}	105	69

^aMinimum detectable value. Actual value was below detection limit.