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# **Preface**

This book – a continuation of the previous publications Flows and chemical reactions [PRU 12], Flows and chemical reactions in homogeneous mixtures [PRU 13] and Flows and chemical reactions in heterogeneous mixtures [PRU 14a] – is devoted to Flows and chemical reactions in an electromagnetic field.<sup>1</sup>

**Part One**, entitled Introduction, is made up of four chapters. *Chapter 1* gives an introduction to the equations of electromagnetism in the Minkowski timespace. This mode of presentation is extended to the balance equations, first in non-polarized homogeneous mixtures in *Chapter 2*, and then in a polarized homogeneous fluid medium in *Chapter 3*.

<sup>1</sup> Remember that the volume Flows and chemical reactions comprised three parts: 1. Fluid media with a single component, 2. Reactive mixtures, and 3. Interfaces and lines, that the volume Flows and Chemical Reactions in Homogeneous Mixtures comprised: 1. Pipe flows, 2. Chemical reactors, and 3. Laminar and turbulent flames, and that the volume Flows and Chemical Reactions in Heterogeneous Mixtures comprised: 1. Generation of multi-phase flows, 2. Problems at the scale of a particle, 3. Simplified model of a non-reactive flow with particles, 4. Simplified model of a reactive flow with particles, and 5. Radiative phenomena.

Chapter 4 is given over to heterogeneous media in the presence of an electromagnetic field. In that chapter, the balance equations at the interfaces are established.

**Part Two** of this volume is entitled Introduction. It too has four chapters. *Chapter 5* presents a study of the influence of diverse fields on flames; *Chapter 6* discusses a classic application of the Peltier effect; *Chapter 7* is devoted to metal/plasma interaction, and more specifically to the Langmuir probe, and finally Chapter 8 discusses space propulsion by the Hall effect.

The *Appendix* gives supplementary information about the balance laws with an electromagnetic field, before going on to describe the methodology used to establish one-dimensional equations for a flow with active walls, as is the case with certain Hall effect thrusters.

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# List of Main Symbols

# Latin characters

A	chemical affinity; or monatomic species
$A_2$	diatomic species
<u>A</u>	vectorial potential
A, B	Arrhenius coefficients
В	magnetic field
С	speed of sound; or speed of light in a vacuum in the absence of a field
C	total number of moles per unit volume
$C_{j}$	molar concentration per unit volume
$C_p, C_v$	specific heat at constant pressure or constant volume
	respectively ( $c_p, c_v$ per unit mass)
d	distance; or differential
D	diffusion coefficient; or diameter
$D_{lpha;i}$	diffusion coefficient of species $\alpha$ at quantum level $i$
$\vec{\mathbf{D}}$	electric displacement
$\vec{\bar{D}}$	strain rate tensor