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B.E. / B. TECH DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2022
 Fifth Semester
CH18502 - CHEMICAL REACTION ENGINEERING I
(Chemical Engineering)
(Regulation 2018)

TIME: 3 HOURS
100

MAX.MARKS:

- CO1** Attain familiarity in the fundamentals of reaction engineering and analyze the kinetic data, to determine the rate of reaction.
- CO2** Perform calculations associated with design equation of reactors and determine the volume of a reactor for a given conversion and vice-versa for single reactions.
- CO3** Evaluate systems and perform calculations for multiple reactions, to suggest reactor/combination of reactors for the yield of desired product.
- CO4** Investigate the temperature effects associated with the reactors during reaction and determine conversion.
- CO5** Explore the various non-idealities in the real reactors and modeling suitable reactors incorporating the effects of various non-idealities.

PART- A (10x2=20Marks)
(Answer all Questions)

| | CO | RBT LEVEL |
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| 1 For the reaction $2A \rightarrow P$, find the ϵ_A . | 1 | 3 |
| 2 For a certain first order reaction, rate constant is 0.0022 s^{-1} . Calculate the half life of the reaction. | 1 | 3 |
| 3 Show the CSTR's in series approximate a PFR graphically. | 2 | 2 |
| 4 Liquid A decomposes by first order kinetics and in a batch reactor 60% of A is converted in 8 min run. Calculate the time required for it to reach 72% conversion? | 2 | 3 |
| 5 Compare selectivity and yield in multiple reactions. | 3 | 2 |
| 6 Give your comments on the product ratio r_R/r_S for maximising the formation of R in the | 3 | 2 |
| $P+Q \xrightarrow{k_1} R \text{ (Desired reaction), } r_R = 14 \exp(-273/T) \cdot C_P^{0.5} \cdot C_Q$ $P+Q \xrightarrow{k_2} S \text{ (Undesired reaction), } r_S = 200 \exp(-200/T) \cdot C_P \cdot C_Q$ | | |
| 7 Relate Gibbs free energy change and Equilibrium constant. | 4 | 2 |
| 8 Find the equilibrium constant (K_{298K}) of reaction A forming R, if $\Delta G_{0,298K} = -14130 \text{ J/mol}$. | 4 | 3 |
| 9 Draw exit age distribution curve for nonideal flow. | 5 | 2 |
| 10 List the effect of earliness and lateness of mixing of fluid on kinetics of the reaction. | 5 | 2 |

PART- B (5x 13=65Marks)

| | Marks | CO | RBT LEVEL |
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| 11(a) Derive an integrated rate expression for first order variable volume process. | (14) | 1 | 3 |
| (OR) | | | |
| 11(b) (i) Discuss constant pressure batch reactor system and derive the rate equation of variable volume system. | (7) | 1 | 3 |
| (ii) Describe half life period of a reaction and derive the half life of first order reaction. | (7) | 1 | 3 |
| 12(a) Using a color indicator which shows a color change when the concentration of A falls below 0.12 mol/l, the following scheme is inverted to explore the kinetics of the decomposition of A. A feed containing 0.56 mol. A/lit in introduced into the first of the two ideal CSTRs in series, each having a volume of 400 cm^3 . The color changes occurs in the first reactor(a single reactor) for a feed rate of $12 \text{ cm}^3 / \text{min}$, and in the second reactor in series (a two reactor set up) for a feed rate of $55 \text{ cm}^3 / \text{min}$. Find a rate equation which satisfactorily represents the decomposition of A. | (14) | 2 | 3 |
| (OR) | | | |
| 12(b) A plug flow reactor (2 m^3) processes an aqueous feed (100 liter/min) containing reactant A ($C_{A0} = 100 \text{ mmol/liter}$). This reaction is reversible and the first order rate constant k_1 and k_2 are 0.04 and 0.01 min^{-1} respectively. First find the equilibrium conversion and then find the actual conversion of A in the reactor. | (14) | 2 | 3 |
| 13(a) Assess qualitatively with examples about the product distribution for Parallel reactions. | (14) | 3 | 3 |
| (OR) | | | |
| 13(b) Consider the aqueous reaction | | | |
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| $\frac{dC_R}{dt} = 1.0 C_A^{1.5} C_B^{0.3}, \text{ mol/liter-min}$ $\frac{dC_S}{dt} = 1.0 C_A^{0.5} C_B^{1.8}, \text{ mol/liter-min}$ | | | |
| For 84% | | | |
| conversion of A, evaluate the concentration of R in the product stream. Equal volumetric flow rates of A and B are fed into the reactor, and each stream has a concentration of 20 mol/litre of reactant. The flow in the | | | |

reactor follows

- i. Plug flow
- ii. Mixed flow
- iii. The best set-up of Plug – Mixed Contacting schemes

(5) 3 3
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14(a) Explain the concept of optimum temperature progression and graphical design procedure to design the reactor. (14) 4 3

(OR)

14(b) An irreversible isomerisation reaction is carried out in the liquid phase in a MFR. Rate constant at 165°C is 0.7 h⁻¹; Activation Energy is 120000 J/mol; Heat of Reaction is -350 kJ/kg; Heat capacity of reactants and products is 1.96 kJ/ kg.K; Volumetric flow rate is 0.33 m³ /h; Feed Temperature is 20°C; Conversion expected is 95%. Calculate the reactor size and temperature of the reaction mixture if the reactor is operated adiabatically. (14) 4 3

15(a) For a Non-ideal reactor described by N-Tank's in series model derive an expression for Exit age distribution, E (t) and E(θ). (14) 5 3

(OR)

15(b) Following results were obtained for a pulse test on a piece of reaction equipment. The output concentration rose linearly from zero to 0.5 μmol/dm³ in 5 min, and then fell linearly to zero in 10 min after reaching a maximum value of 0.5 μmol/dm³.

- (i) Calculate the mean residence time. (7) 5 3
- (ii) Calculate the total reactor volume if the flow rate is 570 l/min (7)

PART- C (1x 10 =10 Marks)

| | Marks | CO | RBT LEVEL |
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| 16 For any reactions of positive order, tubular reactor is the best. Create a model by your own example and derive the respective performance equation. | (10) | 2 | 5 |
