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B.E./ B. TECH.DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2024

Fourth Semester

CH22402 – MASS TRANSFER I

(Chemical Engineering)

(Regulation 2022)

(Psychrometric chart shall be provided)

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

COURSE OUTCOMES	STATEMENT	RBT LEVEL
CO 1	Apply the principles of diffusion in measuring diffusivity.	3
CO 2	Calculate different types of Mass transfer co-efficient and identify the relation between them.	3
CO 3	Apply mass transfer concepts in designing humidification units.	3
CO 4	Calculate rate of drying using Mass transfer concepts.	3
CO 5	Apply mass transfer concepts in designing crystallization units.	3

PART- A (20x2=40Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

	CO	RBT LEVEL
1. Brief Knudson diffusion.	1	2
2. State any two examples for Fick's first law of diffusion.	1	2
3. Show the final expression of flux for diffusion of gases A and B plus convection.	1	2
4. Differentiate molecular and total flux.	1	2
5. Differentiate the significance of HETP and HTU.	2	2
6. Brief surface renewal theory.	2	2
7. Indicate the Colbourn analogy equation.	2	2
8. List any four examples of stage-wise gas-liquid contactors.	2	2
9. Differentiate sensible heat and latent heat.	3	2
10. Outline the use of Psychrometric chart.	3	2
11. Brief humid heat.	3	2
12. Identify the significance of temperature approach in design of cooling towers.	3	2
13. Sketch drying rate curve.	4	2
14. Write the material and heat balance for the dryer.	4	2
15. Mention any four applications of dryer.	4	2
16. Differentiate bound and unbound moisture.	4	2
17. Mention the material and energy balance equation of a Crystallizer.	5	2

18.	State Mier's explanation.	5	2
19.	Differentiate saturated and supersaturated solution.	5	2
20.	State ΔL law of crystal growth.	5	2

PART- B (5x 10=50Marks)

		Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
21. (a)	Derive the flux equation for diffusion through a varying cross sectional area.	(10)	1	3
	(OR)			
(b)	Ammonia gas diffuses through a 2 mm thick stagnant air film to a sulphuric acid stream, where it disappears immediately in a chemical reaction. Calculate the rate of transfer into 1 m ² of surface of this acid if the temperature is 20°C and the pressure is atmospheric. The concentration of ammonia is 2 mole% at the outer edge of the air layer. Data: Diffusivity of ammonia in air= 0.2 cm ² /s ; The volume of 1kgmol of ideal gas occupies 22.4 m ³ at STP.	(10)	1	3
22. (a)	Explain two film theory and penetration theory with a neat sketch and show their applications in Mass Transfer.	(10)	2	3
	(OR)			
(b)	In a wetted wall column carbon dioxide is being absorbed from air by water flowing at 2 atm pressure and 25°C. The mass transfer coefficient k _y has been estimated to be 6.78 X 10 ⁻⁵ kmol/m ² s (mole fraction). Calculate the rate of absorption if the partial pressure of carbon dioxide at the interface is 0.2 atm and the air is pure. Determine k _y and k _G .	(10)	2	3
23. (a)	Derive the design equation of Cooling tower using enthalpy concept.	(10)	3	3
	(OR)			
(b)	A stream of air at 37°C and 50% relative humidity flowing at a rate of 1250 kg/h is to be cooled to 15°C and dehumidified in a spray tower. The air is saturated as it emerges from the tower. Liquid water leaves the tower at 12°C. Calculate (i). The rate (kg/h) at which water must be removed and (5 Marks) (ii). The heat duty on the cooler (kW). (5 Marks)	(10)	3	3
24. (a)	Explain elaborately the working mechanism of vacuum dryer and list their	(10)	4	3

applications.

(OR)

- (b)** A granular material containing 40% moisture by weight (wet basis) is fed to a counter-current rotary dryer at a temperature of 20°C and is withdrawn at 35°C, containing 5% moisture (wet basis). The air supplied which contains 0.006 kg water/kg dry air, enters at 110°C and leaves at 38°C. The dryer handles 500kg/h wet stock. Radiation losses amount to 20 kJ/kg dry air used, determine the mass flow rate of dry air supplied to the dryer and the humidity of the exit air. **(10) 4 3**

Specific heat capacity of water vapour = 2 kJ/kg.K

Specific heat capacity of dried solid = 0.8 kJ/kg K

specific heat capacity of dry air = 1.00 kJ/kg K,

specific heat capacity of water = 4 kJ/kg K.

- 25. (a)** Discuss elaborately Circulating-liquid evaporator crystallizers and Circulating-magma vacuum crystallizer. **(10) 5 3**

(OR)

- (b)** Glauber's salt, $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$, is to be produced in a Swenson-Walker Crystalliser by cooling to 290K a solution of anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , which is saturated at 300K. If cooling water enters and leaves the unit at 275K and 290K, respectively, and evaporation is negligible, calculate the sections of crystalliser, each 3 m long, will be required to process 0.25 kg/s of the product. The solubilities of anhydrous Na_2SO_4 in water are 40 and 14 kg/100 kg water at 300K and 290K, respectively. The mean heat capacity of the liquor is 3.8 kJ/kg.K and the heat of crystallisation is 230 kJ/kg. For the crystallizer, the available heat transfer area is 3 m²/m length, the overall heat transfer coefficient is 0.15 kW/m².K and the molecular weights of $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and Na_2SO_4 are 322 and 142 kg/kgmol, respectively. **(10) 5 3**

PART- C (1x 10=10Marks)

(Q.No.26 is compulsory)

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| 26. Justify crystallization plays a very important role in sugar industry. | (10) | 5 | 5 |
