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

Fourth Semester

**CH22403 – CHEMICAL REACTION ENGINEERING-I***(Chemical Engineering)***(Regulation 2022)****TIME:3 HOURS****MAX. MARKS: 100**COURSE  
OUTCOMES

STATEMENT

RBT  
LEVEL

<b>CO 1</b>	Analyze kinetic data and determine the rate of the reaction.	<b>4</b>
<b>CO 2</b>	Design ideal reactors for homogeneous reactions	<b>5</b>
<b>CO 3</b>	Evaluate reactor systems to carry out multiple reactions and recommend reactor/combination of reactors for the yield of desired product.	<b>5</b>
<b>CO 4</b>	Discuss the temperature effects and design non-isothermal reactors	<b>5</b>
<b>CO 5</b>	Develop mathematical models for conversion in non-ideal flow reactors	<b>5</b>

**PART- A (20x2=40Marks)**

(Answer all Questions)

		CO	RBT LEVEL
<b>1</b>	The rate constant of a zero order reaction is 0.2 mol/lit.hr. What would have been the initial concentration of the reactant if after half an hour its concentration is 0.05 mol/lit?	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2</b>	State Arrhenius equation and its significance.	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	Write down the rate equation of second order irreversible reaction in terms of concentration and conversion.	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>4</b>	For a certain first order reaction, rate constant is 0.0018sec <sup>-1</sup> . Calculate the half life time of the reaction.	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>5</b>	Differentiate constant density reactor and variable density reactor.	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>6</b>	State space time and space velocity.	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>7</b>	Show how CSTR's in series approximate a PFR graphically.	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>8</b>	Write down the performance equation of isothermal PFR.	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>9</b>	Suggest a way to control the product distribution for irreversible parallel reactions.	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>10</b>	State fractional yield in multiple reactions.	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>11</b>	Give your comments on the product ratio $r_R/r_S$ .	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>12</b>	Give any two examples for series reactions.	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>13</b>	Relate Gibbs free energy change and Equilibrium constant.	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>

14	An exothermic reversible reaction is conducted adiabatically, what is the relationship between the equilibrium conversion and temperature?	4	3
15	State 'hotspots' in non-isothermal reactor system.	4	2
16	Analyze the conversion for an exothermic reaction $A+B \rightarrow C$ , if temperature and inert gas concentration is increased. A, B, C are all gasses.	4	3
17	Compare micro fluid and macro fluid.	5	2
18	Relate F curve with E curve.	5	2
19	Discuss the reasons for non ideality in ideal reactors.	5	2
20	Draw exit age distribution curve.	5	2

**PART- B (5x 10=50Marks)**

		Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
21(a)	(i) Liquid A decomposes by first order reaction in a batch reactor. 50% of A is converted in 5 min. How long will it take to reach 75% conversion? Solve the problem considering the reaction is first order.	(06)	1	3
	(ii) The half-life period for a certain first order reaction is $1.89 \times 10^3$ sec. Calculate the time needed for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the reactants to be left behind.	(04)	1	3
(OR)				
(b)	Describe Arrhenius theory of determining rate constant and justify it is better than collision and transition theories.	(10)	1	3
22(a)	Consider a gas-phase reaction $2A+R \rightarrow 2S$ with unknown kinetics. If a space velocity of 11 min is needed for 90% conversion of A in a plug flow reactor, find the corresponding space-time and mean residence time or holding time of fluid in the plug flow reactor.	(10)	2	4
(OR)				
(b)	Construct the performance equations of CSTR to calculate the space velocity and compare the reactor size calculation of CSTR with PFR.	(10)	2	4
23(a)	Discuss the quantitative product distribution of the given reaction in a mixed flow reactor and first order reaction followed by zero order: $A \xrightarrow{n=1} B \xrightarrow{n=0} C$	(10)	3	3

(OR)

- (b) For the reaction data given in the following table, consider a series arrangement of a mixed flow reactor and a plug flow reactor. If the intermediate conversion is 55% and the final conversion is 90%, formulate the best arrangement of reactors to obtain the smaller total volume (of reactors in series)? (10) 3 3

$$F_{A0} = 0.083 \text{ mol/s.}$$

$X_A$	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.85
$-r_A$ (mol/l.s)	0.005	0.005	0.00	0.004	0.00	0.003	0.002	0.001	0.0012	0.00
	3	2	5	5	4	3	5	8	5	1

- 24.(a) A first order irreversible liquid phase reaction is carried out in MFR. The density of reaction mixture is  $1.2 \text{ g/cm}^3$  and the specific heat is  $0.9 \text{ cal/g } ^\circ\text{C}$ . The volumetric flow rate is  $200 \text{ cm}^3 / \text{s}$  and the reactor volume is 10 litres.  $K = 1.8 \times 10^5 e^{-12000/RT}$ ,  $\text{s}^{-1}$ . If the heat of reaction is  $-46000 \text{ cal/mol}$ , and feed temperature is 20 degree Celsius. What are the possible temperature and conversion for a stable, adiabatic operation with feed concentration of  $4 \text{ mol/L}$ ? (10) 4 3

(OR)

- (b) Discuss the effect of temperature on equilibrium conversion for reversible and irreversible reactions with a graph. (10) 4 3

25. (a) A first order liquid phase reaction is carried out in a reactor for which the results of (pulse) tracer test are given below.  $k = 0.25 \text{ min}^{-1}$  (10) 5 3

Time(minutes)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14
$C_{\text{pulse}}(\text{g/m}^3)$	0	1	5	8	10	8	6	4	3	2.2	1.5	0.6	0

Calculate the conversion using

- i) Ideal PFR and ii) Ideal MFR

(OR)

- (b) Calculate the mean residence time and the variance for a vessel from the following data which are obtained for a pulse input. (10) 5 3

Time(minutes)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14
$E (\text{min}^{-1})$	0	1	5	8	10	8	6	4	3	2.2	1.5	0.6	0

(Q.No.26 is compulsory)

Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
(10)	2	5

26. It is decided to produce 4000 kmol/day of ethylene glycol. The reactor is operated isothermally. A 15.05 kmol/m<sup>3</sup> solution of ethylene oxide in water is fed to CSTR together with an equal volumetric solution of water containing 85% by weight H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. If 82 % conversion is to be achieved, find the volume of reactor. How many CSTRs, each having volume of 3 m<sup>3</sup> would be required if they are arranged in parallel? The first order reaction rate constant is 0.311 min<sup>-1</sup>.

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