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**Fourth Semester B. Tech. (Chemical  
Engineering) (C. B. S.) Examination**

**PROCESS CALCULATIONS**

**BTCHE 401 T**

Time : Three Hours ]

[ Max. Marks : 80

- N. B. : (1) All questions carry equal marks.  
(2) Answer any four questions.  
(3) Assume suitable data wherever necessary.

1. (a) A typical product gas composition in Lurgi process of coal gasification is as given below : (mole %)

$H_2 = 38\%$  ,  $CO = 20.2\%$  ,  $CO_2 = 28.6\%$  ,  
 $CH_4 = 11.4\%$  ,  $C_2H_6 = 01\%$  ,  $H_2S = 0.5\%$  and  
 $N_2 = 0.3\%$  on dry basis.

Calculate :

- (i) Average molecular weight of the gas mixture
- (ii) Composition of the mixture on weight basis  
Atomic wts : C = 12 , H = 1 , O = 16 ,  
N = 14 , S = 32. 10
- (b) 25 kilogram of oxygen is stored in a cylinder at 13 atm and  $30^0$  C.
- (i) Calculate the volume occupied by oxygen.
- (ii) What is the density of  $O_2$  at these conditions ? 10

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2. (a) A plant for caustic production, concentrates a solution containing 10% wt NaOH, 10% NaCl and remaining water. If the final solution contains 50% NaOH and 1% NaCl by weight ;  
Calculate :
- (i) Kg of water evaporated per ton of initial solution.
  - (ii) Kg of NaCl precipitated per ton of initial solution.
  - (iii) Weight of the final solution. 10
- (b) A slurry containing 75 wt % water is to be filtered.If 80% of water is removed by filtration and drying which reduces the weight of the material to 600 kg, Calculate :
- (i) Original Weight of the slurry
  - (ii) Water content of concentrated slurry after drying and filtration. 10
3. (a) The dry bulb temperature and dew point of air samples are found to be  $32.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $20.7^{\circ}\text{C}$  respectively.  
Calclute :
- (i) Absolute molal humidity
  - (ii) Absolute mass humidity
  - (iii) % relative humidity
  - (iv) % humidity

Data : Barometer reading – 745 mm Hg

Vapour Pressure of water —

20.7<sup>0</sup>C – 19 mm Hg

32.5<sup>0</sup>C – 38 mm Hg

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(b) Pure methane is completely burnt with air. The outlet gas from the burner which contains no oxygen is passed through a cooler where some of the water is removed. If the gas leaving the cooler is analysed for 0.8335 mole fraction N<sub>2</sub>, then calculate :

(i) Analysis of the gas leaving the cooler.

(ii) Kg water condensed per mole CH<sub>4</sub> burned.

(iii) Partial pressure of components of the stream leaving the cooler at 1 atm. 12

4. (a) An evaporator is to produce 10,000 kg / hr of dry salt from a feed solution containing 15 wt% NaCl. The salt removed carries 18% of its weight as brine and the brine contains 20 wt % NaCl. Calculate :

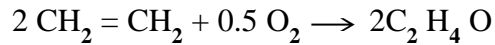
(i) Feed rate to the evaporator.

(ii) Feed rate of the evaporator if the brine is separated from dry salt completely and recycled back to the evaporator. 8

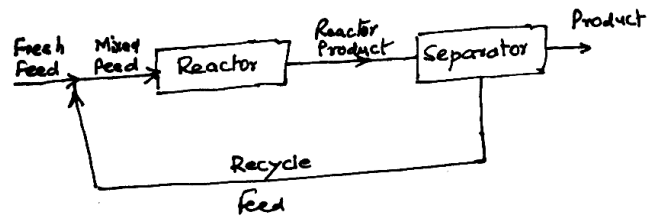
(b) The reaction to form ethylene oxide is 50% complete on a once through basis ; the reactants are fed in a stoichiometric ratio and all the unreacted reactants are separated and recycled.

What is the recycle ratio ?

The reaction taking place is as follows :



The schematic is as given below :



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5. (a) The molal heat capacity of  $\text{CO}_2$  gas is given by  
$$C_p = 26.54 + 42.45 \times 10^{-3} T - 14.29 \times 10^{-6} T^2$$
  
Where  $C_p$  is in  $\text{kJ}/(\text{K mol} \cdot \text{K})$  and  $T$  is in  $\text{K}$ .  
Calculate
- The mean molar heat capacity between 500 and 1000  $\text{K}$ .
  - The heat required to raise the temperature of  $200 \text{m}^3/\text{hr}$  of  $\text{CO}_2$  gas at STP from 500 to 1000  $\text{K}$  ?
- (b) Write the material and energy balance equations for a binary distillation column operated with reflux.
6. (a) A fuel analyses as : carbon 46 wt% , oxygen 23% , ash 5% and rest as moisture and hydrogen. Orsat analysis of fuel gas obtained after burning the fuel is as follows :  
 $\text{CO}_2$  14.9% ,  $\text{CO}$  : 1.65% ,  $\text{O}_2$  3.45% and  $\text{N}_2$  as 80% Calculate :
- Complete analysis of fuel

- (ii) Fuel to air ratio (mass basis)
  - (iii) % Excess air used. 10
  - (b) Explain the following terms :
    - (i) Gross calorific value and Net calorific value
    - (ii) Proximate and Ultimate Analysis. 10
7. (a) Pure  $C_2H_4$  is burned with 50% excess air. The % conversion of  $C_2H_4$  is 75%. No CO is formed. Calculate the composition of the flue gas. 10
- (b) Calculate the theoretical flame temperature for CO when burned with 60% excess air when both the reactants are at 410 K. The  $C_p$  in J/(mol.K) may be assumed to be constant.  
 $C_p(CO) = 29.23$ ,  $C_p(O_2) = 35$ ,  
 $C_p(N_2) = 33$ ,  $C_p(CO_2) = 53$   
 The standard heat of combustion at 298 K is  $-284$  kJ/mol CO. 10