

**B.TECH SEM - V (2007 COURSE) (CHEMICAL ENGG.) : WINTER  
- 2017**

**SUBJECT: MASS TRANSFER – I**

Day : **Thursday**  
Date : **18/01/2018**

Time **02.30 PM TO 05.30 PM**  
Max. Marks : **80**

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- 1) **Q.1 and Q.5 are COMPULSORY.** Out of the remaining attempt any **TWO** questions from each Section.
- 2) Figures to the right indicate **FULL** marks.
- 3) Answers to both the sections should be written in **SEPARATE** answer book.
- 4) Use of non-programmable calculator is allowed.

**SECTION – I**

- Q.1** a) Describe in detail about local overall mass transfer coefficient. **(05)**  
b) Explain in brief about absorption and stripping factors. **(05)**  
c) Explain in brief about any one analogy of mass, heat and momentum transfer **(04)**
- Q.2** a) In an oxygen-nitrogen mixture at 10 atm and 25<sup>0</sup>C, the concentration of oxygen at two places of 0.2 cm apart are 10 and 20 volume percent respectively. Calculate the rate of diffusion of oxygen expressed as gm/cm<sup>2</sup>. hr for the case of steady state diffusion of oxygen through non diffusing nitrogen. **(09)**  
b) Explain in brief Fick's and Maxwell's law of diffusion. **(04)**
- Q.3** a) Describe material balance for steady state counter current mass transfer processes. **(07)**  
b) Discuss in brief about the two resistance concept in interphase mass transfer. **(06)**
- Q.4** 5000 kg/hr of a SO<sub>2</sub> air mixture containing 5% by volume SO<sub>2</sub> is to be scrubbed with 200,000 kg/hr of water in a packed tower. The exist concentration of SO<sub>2</sub> is reduced to 0.15%. The tower operates at 1 atm. The equilibrium relationship is **(13)**  
$$Y=30X \text{ Where } Y=\frac{\text{moles of SO}_2}{\text{moles of air}}$$
$$X=\frac{\text{moles of SO}_2}{\text{moles of water}}$$
  
If the packed height of the tower is 420 cm, estimate the height of transfer unit (HTU).

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## SECTION – II

- Q.5** a) Discuss typical equilibrium diagrams used in leaching operation. (05)
- b) Describe Mier's super saturation theory in brief. (05)
- c) Discuss about the vortex formation and prevention in mechanically agitated vessel (04)
- Q.6** a) Explain the operation of packed towers and describe the various types of packings used in packed towers. (07)
- b) Explain with neat sketch the operation of Venturi scrubbers. (06)
- Q.7** a) Discuss in brief about the rate of nucleation in crystallization. (04)
- b) A Swenson Walker crystallizer is to cool a 23% solution of  $\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4$  from a temperature of  $40^\circ\text{C}$  to  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . During the cooling  $\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is crystallized. It is desired to produce 225 kg product per hour. The solubility of  $\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  is 15.5 parts anhydrous salts per 100 parts total water. The specific heat of the solution can be taken as  $0.77 \text{ kcal/kg } ^\circ\text{C}$  and the heat crystallization of 1kg product is  $35 \text{ kcal/kg}$ . Cooling water is to enter the crystallizer jacket at  $15^\circ\text{C}$  and is to leave at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . The over all heat transfer coefficient is  $120 \text{ kcal/h m}^2 ^\circ\text{C}$ . What length of crystallizer should be used?  
Atomic weight of P = 31, effective heat transfer area is  $1\text{m}^2$  per running metre of crystallizer. (09)
- Q.8** a) Describe with neat sketch single stage leaching operation. Mention the solute and solvent balances in single stage leaching. (04)
- b) Crushed oil seeds containing 55% oil (by wt.) is to be extracted at the rate of 4000 kg/hr using 100 kg/min of n-hexane containing 5% oil (by weight) as the solvent. A counter current two stage extraction system is employed. The oil seeds will retain 1 kg of solution per kg of oil free cake. Estimate the percent recovery of oil (based on original feed) obtained under the above conditions. (09)

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