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**R13**

**Set No. 1**

**IV B.Tech I Semester Regular/Supplementary Examinations, October/November - 2017**  
**CHEMICAL ENGINEERING PLANT DESIGN**  
(Chemical Engineering)

**Time: 3 hours**

**Max. Marks: 70**

*Question paper consists of Part-A and Part-B*

*Answer ALL sub questions from Part-A*

*Answer any THREE questions from Part-B*

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**PART-A (22 Marks)**

1. a) Enunciate the criteria for optimum design of a chemical process plant. [4]
- b) Draw the symbols used in PFD and PID for the following: Heater, Jacketed & Agitated vertical reactor, All control valves, pressure controller. [4]
- c) What is the criteria for selection of vacuum equipment? [4]
- d) What is dirt factor and its significance in thermal design of shell and tube heat exchangers? [3]
- e) Write down the steps involved in the design of a packed column. [4]
- f) Sketch a schematic for recycle reactors. [3]

**PART-B (3x16 = 48 Marks)**

2. a) What are the process design steps for implementing a chemical process commercially? [8]
- b) Present a check list for a typical chemical process plant layout. [8]
3. a) Classify and discuss various types of process designs. [8]
- b) Distinguish between process flow diagrams and piping and instrumentation diagrams with examples. [8]
4. a) Write down the design criteria of centrifugal pumps. [8]
- b) Calculate insulation thickness (minimum value) required for a pipe carrying steam at 180°C. The pipe size is 8" and the maximum allowable temperature of outer wall insulation is 50°C. Thermal conductivity of the insulation material for the temperature range of the pipe can be taken as 0.04 W/m.K. The heat loss from steam per meter of pipe length has to be limited to 80 W/m. [8]
5. a) With the help of a flow chart, describe the design of a shell and tube heat exchanger by Kern method. [8]
- b) 45,000 kg/hr of mixed light hydrocarbon vapors are condensed at 10 bar. The saturated vapor will enter the condenser at 60°C and the condensation will be complete at 45°C. Enthalpy of vapor is 596.5 kJ/kg and the condensate 247.9 kJ/kg. Cooling water is available at 30°C and the temperature rise is to be limited to 10°C. Calculate the cooling water flow (Specific heat of water = 4.18 kJ/kg °C) [8]
6. a) Discuss the criteria for selection of liquid-liquid extractors. [8]

- b) A saturated liquid mixture of acetone and water contains 55 mole % acetone and 45 mole% water is to be separated by distillation at 1 atm. The desired top and bottom product compositions are 96 mole% acetone and 2.5 mole% acetone respectively. The operating reflux ratio is to be employed is 1.5. The column will have a total condenser and partial reboiler.

Determine total theoretical plates required to effect this separation using McCabe-Thiele method and locate the feed plate.

Equilibrium data for acetone – water mixtures at 1 atm are given below:

(x = mole fraction of acetone in liquid and y = mole fraction of acetone in vapor)

x	0.0	0.05	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.50
y	0.0	0.638	0.730	0.791	0.812	0.827	0.839
x	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.90	0.95	1.0	
y	0.853	0.871	0.895	0.933	0.963	1.0	

[8]

7. a) Classify the reactors with neat sketches giving industrial examples. [8]
- b) Butyl acetate formation is carried out in a batch reactor at 90°C with sulfuric acid as a homogeneous catalyst. The feed contained 4.97 moles of n-butanol per mole of acetic acid and catalyst concentration is 0.032% by mass as H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Rate equation for this reaction is  $-r_A = kC_A^2$  where C<sub>A</sub> = concentration of acetic acid in mole/cm<sup>3</sup> and k = 17.4 cm<sup>3</sup>/(mol-min). Density of reaction mixture at 90°C can be assumed constant and equal to 0.75 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate the time required to obtain 50% conversion. [8]