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**TRANSFER PROCESS  
ENGINEERING**

Paper : FPT 403

Full Marks : 100

Time : Three hours

***The figures in the margin indicate  
full marks for the questions.***

***Answer any five questions from seven.***

1. (a) Write Fick's 1st and 2nd law, define all terms and conditions.  
(b) What is diffusive and convective mass transfer ? Write flux for each case and net flux.  
(c) Write diffusivity range of solute in gas and liquid.

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(d) How diffusivity of solute changes with pressure, temperature, molecular size, molecular weight ?

(e) Write SI unit of Flux, diffusion, coefficient, mass transfer coefficient, volumetric oxygen transfer coefficient.

$$4+6+2+4+4=20$$

2. (a) How volumetric oxygen transfer coefficient ( $k_L a$ ) is improved in aerobic fermentation ?

(b) Fill up the blanks :

(i) In absorption solute is transferred from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) In adsorption solute is transferred from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) In leaching solute is transferred from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) In liquid-liquid extraction solute is transferred from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Interphase mass transfer :

The equilibrium distribution of a solute and water at low concentration at a particular temperature is given by  $y = 1.2x$ . At a certain position, the concentration of solute A in bulk air is 0.04 mol fraction and that in bulk liquid phase is 0.025. The individual mass transfer coefficient for transport are

$$K_y = 7.2 \text{ kmol/m}^2\text{h(Ay)} \text{ and}$$

$$K_x = 4.6 \text{ kmol/hm}^2\text{(Ay)}.$$

Calculate :

- (i) Flux  $N_A$
- (ii) Overall gas phase and liquid phase driving force for mass transfer.
- (iii) Interphase concentration in gas and liquid.
- (iv) Overall mass transfer coefficients  $K_x$  and  $K_y$ .
- (v) Which resistance controls the mass transfer here ?

$$3+4+13=20$$

3. (a) Absorption of a solute in a counter current multistage contact process :  
It is desired to absorb 90% of solute in a gas containing 1.0 mol% solute in air in a counter current stage tower. The total inlet gas flow to the tower is 30 kg mol / h, total inlet pure liquid to be used to absorb the solute is 90 kg mol liquid/h. The process is to operate isothermally at 300K and total pressure of 101.3KPa. The equilibrium relation for the solute in the gas-liquid is  $Y_A = 2.53 X_A$ .

Determine the number of theoretical stages required for separation.

- (b) Write Fourier's law of heat conduction.  
15+5=20

4. (a) What is conductive, convective and radiative heat transfer process ?

- (b) How thermal conductivity varies for gas, liquid and solid ?

- (c) Calculate heat loss per  $m^2$  of surface area for an insulating wall composed of 25.4mm thick fiber insulating board, where inside temperature is 352.7K and outside temperature is 297.1K. Thermal conductivity of insulating board is 0.048w/mk.  
9+6+5=20

5. What is log mean temperature difference ?

How is it relevant in heat exchanger ?

Milk having  $C_{pm} = 2.3 \text{ kJ/kg K}$  is being cooled in a double pipe counter current heat exchanger from  $371.9 \text{ K}$  to  $349.7 \text{ K}$  and flows inside the tube at a rate of  $3630 \text{ kg/h}$ . A flow of  $1450 \text{ kg water/h}$  enters at  $288.6 \text{ K}$  for cooling and flows through the outside tube. Calculate the water outlet temperature and heat transfer area if the overall  $U_i = 340 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$ .

Area requirement for parallel flow will be more or less ? Why ? Justify. 20

6. Slabs of meat  $0.0635 \text{ m}$  thick are to be frozen in an air-blast freezer at  $244.3 \text{ K}$  ( $-28.9^\circ \text{C}$ ). The meat is initially at the freezing temperature of  $270.4 \text{ K}$  ( $-2.8^\circ \text{C}$ ). The meat contains 75% moisture. The heat transfer coefficient is  $h = 17.0 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$ . The physical properties are  $\rho = 1057 \text{ kg/m}^3$  for unfrozen meat  $K = 1.038 \text{ W/mK}$  for frozen meat. Calculate the freezing time. 20

7. (a) Write Newton's law of viscosity and define all terms.
- (b) How viscosity of gas and liquid change with pressure and temperature and why?
- (c) How momentum flux and fluid linear velocity varies with radial distance?

$$8+8+4=20$$