

## GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE - SEMESTER-VII (NEW) EXAMINATION – WINTER 2017

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Subject Name: Environmental Reaction Engineering

Time: 10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

		MARKS
<b>Q.1</b>	(a) Make a mole balance on a batch reactor conducting a liquid phase bimolecular reaction with a reaction rate constant $k_2$ in units of liter, mol, and min to estimate time required for certain conversion of a reactant of the reaction.	<b>03</b>
	(b) An aqueous feed of A and B (400 liter/min, 100 mmol A/liter, 200 mmol B/liter) is to be converted to product in a plug flow reactor. The kinetics of the reaction is represented by $A + B \rightarrow R$ , $-r_A = 200 C_A C_B$ mol/(liter)(min). Find the volume of reactor needed for 99.9% conversion of A to product. Draw a schematic diagram.	<b>04</b>
	(c) We plan to replace our present mixed flow reactor with one having double the volume. For the same aqueous feed (10 mol A/liter) and the same feed rate find the new conversion. The reaction kinetics are represented by $A \rightarrow R$ , $-r_A = k C_A^{1.5}$ , and present conversion is 70%. Draw a schematic diagram.	<b>07</b>
<b>Q.2</b>	(a) Given the elementary reaction taking place in a batch reactor $A \xrightarrow{k_1} R \xrightarrow{k_2} S$ and $k_1 > k_2$ , derive for $C_A$ and $C_R$ as functions of time, and sketch the concentration-time profiles of A, R, and S.	<b>07</b>
	(b) Given the elementary reaction $A \xrightarrow{k_1} R \xrightarrow{k_2} S$ taking place in a CSTR, show that $\tau_{m,opt} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_1 k_2}}$ <b>OR</b>	<b>07</b>
	(b) Given the elementary reaction $A \xrightarrow{k_1} R \xrightarrow{k_2} S$ taking place in a PFR, show that $\tau_{p,opt} = 1/k \log \text{mean}$	<b>07</b>
<b>Q.3</b>	(a) Give names of two industrial products produced by catalytic reactions and the catalysts used therein.	<b>03</b>
	(b) Give two chemical equations of catalytic reactions and the catalysts used therein.	<b>04</b>
	(c) List out sequentially the steps involved in gas-solid catalytic reactions by Langmuir-Hinshelwood approach.	<b>07</b>
	<b>OR</b>	
<b>Q.3</b>	(a) What is catalyst deactivation?	<b>03</b>
	(b) Explain adsorption and desorption in gas-solid catalytic reactions.	<b>04</b>

- (c) Describe with neat sketches fixed and fluidized bed catalytic reactors. 07
- Q.4 (a)** Mention at least two series-parallel reactions of industrial importance. Define selectivity and overall and instantaneous fractional yields. 07
- (b)** Describe with appropriate graphical representation the Jones graphical method to determine concentration in each MFR connected in a series of unequal sized MFRs. 07

**OR**

- Q.4 (a)** Describe the graphical method to determine the best arrangement for given conversion of unequal sized MFRs connected in a series. 07
- (b)** Differentiate between physical and chemical adsorption. 07
- Q.5 (a)** Evaluate the variance for the following distribution. 07

Time $t$ , min	Tracer Output Concentration, $C_{pulse}$ gm/liter fluid
0	0
5	3
10	5
15	5
20	4
25	2
30	1
35	0

- (b)** Write the sequence of steps according to shrinking core model for gas-solid non-catalytic reactions. Draw a schematic figure to show these steps when reaction  $A(g) + bB(s) \rightarrow products$  takes place on a solid spherical particle of unchanging size. 07

**OR**

- Q.5 (a)** Plot the exit age distribution  $E$  using the following data. 07

Time $t$ , min	Tracer Output Concentration, $C_{pulse}$ gm/liter fluid
0	0
5	3
10	5
15	5
20	4
25	2
30	1
35	0

- (b)** Explain with the help of graphs or sketches the following with reference to RTD. 3+2+2=07
- F curve
  - Impulse function
  - Mean residence time

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