

**TRANSFER OPERATION-II
(BIOT 3104)**

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.

**Group – A
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) As the reflux ratio in a distillation column is increased from the minimum, the
 - (a) slope of the operating line in stripping section increases
 - (b) number of plates decreases very slowly first and then more and more rapidly
 - (c) total cost first decreases
 - (d) liquid flow increases while the vapor flow decreases for a system.
 - (ii) With increase in pressure, the relative volatility for a binary system
 - (a) increases
 - (b) decreases
 - (c) remains same
 - (d) either (a) or (b), depends on the system.
 - (iii) Diffusion coefficient in a binary gas mixture at low pressure varies
 - (a) Directly with P
 - (b) Inversely with P
 - (c) Directly with P²
 - (d) Independent of P.
 - (iv) Molecular diffusion induced by temperature is
 - (a) eddy diffusion
 - (b) thermal diffusion
 - (c) forced diffusion
 - (d) none of the above.
 - (v) Diffusivity of a binary gas mixture is $2.83 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ at 300K. What will be the approximate value of the diffusivity at 600K?
 - (a) $1.43 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$
 - (b) $8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$
 - (c) $5.66 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$
 - (d) $1.68 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$.
 - (vi) For steady state diffusion of A through stagnant B, $N_A/(N_A+N_B)$ is
 - (a) 0.
 - (b) 1
 - (c) $\frac{1}{2}$
 - (d) ∞ .

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- (vii) In absorption minimum operating line
(a) touches the equilibrium line
(b) has a slope of $(L/V)_{\min}$
(c) shows the maximum possible liquid concentration
(d) All the above.
- (viii) Which of the following is not an application of ultrafiltration?
(a) concentration (b) purification
(c) diafiltration (d) dialysis.
- (ix) Packed columns are
(a) differential contact plant (b) stage contact plant
(c) gas-liquid contact plant (d) solid-liquid contact plant.
- (x) The absorption factor is defined as
(a) L/mV (b) mL/V
(c) V/mL (d) LV/m .

Group – B

2. (a) Prove that $D_{AB} = D_{BA}$ for a gas.
(b) Water at 293K and 101.3kPa is contained in a narrow vertical tube. The level of liquid is maintained 150mm below the open end, across which air with a humidity of 0.002kg water/kg dry air is passed at 293K and 101.3KPa. If the diffusivity of water vapour in air is $2.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{m}^2/\text{s}$, and the vapour pressure of water is 2.34KPa, calculate the rate of evaporation of water. What will be the rate of evaporation if dry air is passed over the tube?
- 5 + 7 = 12**
3. (a) CO_2 and O_2 experience equimolar counter diffusion in a circular tube whose length and diameter are 1m and 50mm respectively. The total pressure is 10atm and temperature is 25°C. The ends of the tube are connected to large chambers in which the species concentration are maintained at fixed values. The partial pressure of CO_2 at one end is 190mm of Hg and at the other end 95mm of Hg.
(i) Estimate the rate of mass transfer.
(ii) Find the partial pressure of CO_2 at 0.75m from the end where the partial pressure is 190mm of Hg. $D_{AB} = 2.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{m}^2/\text{s}$.
(b) Derive a relationship between overall mass transfer coefficients and local mass transfer coefficients.
(c) What is the significance of varying the slope of the operating line in gas absorption?

7 + 3 + 2 = 12

Group – C

4. A 70 Kmol/hr methanol –water mixture containing 42 mol% methanol is distilled (flash) at atmospheric pressure to yield a residue of 27 mol%.
- (i) What is the composition of the distillate and how many moles of distillate and residue are obtained per hr?
- (ii) What is the maximum possible methanol content of the distillate?

The equilibrium data for the given set of problem is:

x	0.0084	0.0258	0.068	0.137	0.24	0.48	0.57	0.74
y	0.103	0.227	0.391	0.568	0.68	0.79	0.82	0.90

8 + 4 = 12

5. (a) State the principle of Flash Distillation with diagram.
- (b) Derive the operating line equation for Flash Distillation.
- (c) Define relative volatility.

6 + 4 + 2 = 12

Group – D

6. (a) Under the constant drying condition, a wet solid is dried from 30% to 4 % (on dry basis). The time taken is 4 hrs. The equilibrium moisture content is 2% (on dry basis). Critical moisture content is 10% (on dry basis). How long will it take to dry to 7% (on dry basis). Assume falling rate is linear. Use the following equation.

$$t = \frac{Ls}{A} \left[\frac{(X_1 - X_c)}{R_c} + \frac{(X_c - X^*)}{R_c} \ln \frac{(X_c - X^*)}{(X_2 - X^*)} \right]$$

- (b) Derive the working formula for calculation of drying time under constant rate of drying.

8 + 4 = 12

7. An inlet water solution of 100 kg/hr containing 0.01 wt fraction nicotine in water is stripped with a kerosene stream of 200 kg/hr containing 0.0005 wt fraction nicotine in a countercurrent process. The water and kerosene are essentially immiscible with each other. It is desired to reduce the concentration of exit water to 0.0010 wt fraction nicotine.
- (i) Determine the wt fraction of nicotine in exit kerosene stream.
- (ii) Number of stages required for the process.

The equilibrium data is:

X	0.001	0.00246	0.005	0.00746	0.00988	0.0202
y	0.000806	0.001959	0.00454	0.00682	0.00904	0.0185

Where , x is the weight fraction of nicotine in water solution Y is the weight fraction of nicotine in kerosene solution.

4 + 8 = 12

Group – E

8. Experiments at 25°C were performed to determine the permeabilities of a cellulose-acetate membrane. The laboratory test section shown in figure has membrane area $A = 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{m}^2$. The inlet feed solution concentration of NaCl is $C_1 = 10.0 \text{kg NaCl/m}^3$ solution (10.0g NaCl/L , $\rho_1 = 1004 \text{kg solution/m}^3$). The water recovery is assumed low so that the concentration C_1 in the entering feed solution flowing past the membrane and the concentration of the exit feed solution are essentially equal. The product solution contains $C_2 = 0.39 \text{kg NaCl/m}^3$ solution ($\rho_2 = 997 \text{kg solution/m}^3$) and its measured flow rate is $1.92 \times 10^{-8} \text{m}^3 \text{ solution/s}$. A pressure differential of 54.42 atm is used. Calculate the permeability constants of the membrane and the solute rejection R . (Given $\pi = 7.48 \text{ atm}$).

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9. (a) In a cross flow ultra filtration system used for filtration of proteins from a fermentation broth, gel resistance increases with protein concentration according to the following equation:

$$R_G = 0.5 + 0.01C, \text{ where } C \text{ is in mg/L.}$$

Pressure at the entrance system is $P_i = 6 \text{ atm}$ and at the exit is $P_o = 2 \text{ atm}$. The shell side of the filter is open to the atmosphere, resulting in $P_f = 1 \text{ atm}$. The membrane resistance is $R_M = 0.5 \text{ atm}/(\text{mg/m}^2 \cdot \text{h})$, and the protein concentration in the broth is $C = 100 \text{ mg/L}$. Determine:

- (i) The pressure drop across the membrane
- (ii) Filtration flux
- (iii) Rejection coefficient of the membrane for effluent protein concentration of $C_i = 5 \text{ mg/L}$.

- (b) Write a note on any one membrane separation process applied in biotechnology.

6 + 6 = 12

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