## PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Midterm Examination: Semester I

Academic year: 2008

Date: July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Time: 9:00 - 12:00, Room: R200

Subject: 231-321 Chemical Engineering Kinetics & Reactor Design I

## ทุจริตในการสอบ โทษขั้นต่ำปรับตกในรายวิชานั้น หรือ พักการเรียน 1 ภาคการศึกษา และ โทษสูงสุดคือ <u>ให้ออก</u>

## คำสั่ง

- 1. ห้ามนำข้อสอบบางส่วนหรือทั้งหมดออกจากห้องสอบ
- 2. อนุญาตให้นำเอกสาร หนังสือ เครื่องคำนวณ ทุกชนิด เข้าห้องสอบได้
- 3. ห้ามหยิบยืมเอกสารใดๆ และพูดคุยกับนักศึกษาอื่นขณะทำข้อสอบ
- 4. สามารถใช้ดินสอในการทำข้อสอบได้

Problem	Point	You earn
1	35	
2	35	
3	30	
4	20	
5	20	
Total	140	

ข้อสอบทั้งหมดมี 5 ข้อ 8 หน้า (รวมปก) กรุณาตรวจสอบความถูกต้องก่อนลงมือทำ

พิมพรรณ มายเออร์ ผู้สอน/ออกข้อสอบ 23 กรกฎาคม 2551 Problem 1 (35 points) From the following reversible reaction:

$$A + 2B \leftrightarrow C + 2D$$

It is a liquid phase reaction performed in a PFR. The reaction is isothermal and isobaric. The concentration equilibrium constant at the operating condition is 0.089. The concentration of A in feed stream is 0.2 mol/liter and  $[C_{Bo}/C_{Ao}] = 5$ . The forward and backward reactions follow elementary rate law.

- a) (10 points) Write down  $-r_A$  in the function of concentration at the beginning of the reaction.
- b) (25 points) Find the concentration of substance B at equilibrium.

Problem 2 (35 points) From the oxidation of ammonia in gas phase in a flow reactor:

From the experiment, it found that

$$-r_{NH_3}$$
 (mol/liter·min) =  $k(C_{NH_3})^{0.36}(C_{O_2})^{0.14}$ 

When k (rate constant) = 20 (mol<sup>0.5</sup>/liter·min)

 $C_{NH_3}$  = concentration of  $NH_3$ 

 $C_{0_2}$  = concentration of  $O_2$ 

Feed consists of 20%  $NH_3$  and 80% air (containing 21%  $O_2$  and 79%  $N_2$ ). The reaction was carried out isothermally under 220  $^{\circ}$ C and 16.4 atm. It is assumed that there is no pressure drop.

- (a) (15 points) Calculate  $C_{0_1}$  and  $C_{N_1}$  at 50% conversion
- (b) (20 points) Calculate volume of a CSTR to obtain 65% conversion with the volumetric flowrate of 440 liter/min.

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**Problem 3 (30 points)** The reaction of  $3A \rightarrow B$  is carried out as a liquid phase reaction in a 200 liter batch reactor. The reaction begins with 100 moles of reactant A. Given rate constant = 0.5  $(dm^3/mol)^2 \cdot min^{-1}$ 

- a) (10 points) Write down  $-r_A$  in term of conversion (X) only when the reaction rate follows elementary rate law.
- b) (20 points) How much is conversion at 80 minutes of reaction time?

**Problem 4 (20 points)** The homogeneous reaction of A  $\rightarrow$  B with k = 0.01 liter·mol<sup>-1</sup>sec<sup>-1</sup> takes place in a PFR with cross section area of 4 cm<sup>3</sup>. The concentration of A in feed is 4 mol/liter. The order or reaction is second order with respect to A.

- a) (10 points) What is space time in the reaction required for 90% conversion?
- b) (10 points) How long is the reactor required to achieve minimum 50% conversion? When volumetric flowrate is 4 liter/min.

## Problem 5 (20 points)

a) (15 points) Write down Arrehenius equation from the data of k (rate constant) and T (temperature) when Gas constant = 1.987 cal/mol·K. There is no point given for any plot.

b) (5 points) Estimate temperature at k = 4.0 (dm³/mol •min)

T (°C)	k (dm³/mol•min)
30	0.29
50	0.44
80	0.75
100	0.95
150	1.67