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PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Midterm Examination : Semester I Academic year : 2009

Date: 30 July 2009 Time: 9.00 – 12.00 am

Subject: 230-620 Advance Kinetics and Reactor Design Room: R 201

ทุจริตในการสอบ โทษขั้นต่ำปรับตกในรายวิชานั้น และพักการเรียน 1 ภาคการศึกษา โทษสูงสุด ให้ออก

- 1. The exam are not allow to leave an exam room
- 2. All books, notes, and all computing devices (i.e., calculator and computer) are allowed
- 3. Do not discuss or ask any person during taking an exam
- 4. Do all problems, the mark of each problem is listed below

Problem No.	Total Points	Point obtained
1	15	
2	15	
3	10	
4	20	
5	20	
6	20	
7	20	
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Please note that the exam must consist of 15 pages (included cover page)

Good luck and do your best on the exam

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1. (15 points)

Determine the instantaneous selectivity, $\mathbf{S}_{\text{D/U}}$, for the liquid phase reactions:

$$A + B \longrightarrow D \qquad r_D = k_1 C_A^2 C_B$$

$$A + B \longrightarrow U_1 \qquad r_{U_1} = k_2 C_A C_B$$

$$A + B \longrightarrow U_2 \qquad r_{U_2} = k_3 C_A^3 C_B$$

Sketch the selectivity as a function of the concentration of A. Is there an optimum and if so what is optimum condition. Suggest the type of reactor which suitable for this reaction system.

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2. (15 points)

For the elementary reactions:

$$A \xrightarrow{k_1} B \xrightarrow{k_2} C$$

with $k_1=0.1 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $k_2=0.2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ with $C_{AO}=2 \text{ mol/dm}^3$. Determine the selectivity of B to C as a function of space time in a CSTR.

3. (10 points)

The reactions:

(1)
$$A + 2B \rightarrow 2C$$

(2)
$$2C + \frac{1}{2}B \rightarrow 3D$$

are elementary. Write the net rates of formation for A, B, C and D.

4. (20 points)

Liquid Phase Reaction

$$A + 2B \rightarrow C$$
 (1) $-r_{1A} = k_{1A}C_AC_B^2$

$$3C + 2A \rightarrow D$$
 (2) $-r_{2C} = k_{2C} C_C^3 C_A^2$

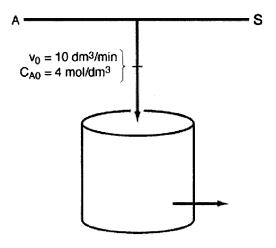
- a) Write the mole balances on a PFR in terms of concentration for each species and explain how to solve for concentration profiles in a PFR
- b) Write the mole balances on a CSTR in terms of concentration for each species and explain how to solve for concentration profiles in a CSTR

5. (20 points)

The acid-catalyzed irreversible liquid-phase reaction

$$A \longrightarrow B$$

is carried out adiabatically in a CSTR.



The reaction is second order in A. The feed, which is equimolar in a solvent (S) (which contains the catalyst) and A, enters the reactor at a total volumetric flow rate of 10 dm ³ /min with the concentration of A being 4 mol/dm³. The entering temperature is 300 K.

- (a) What CSTR reactor volume is necessary to achieve 80% conversion?
- (b) What conversion can be achieved in a 1000 dm ³ CSTR? What is the new exit temperature?

Additional Information:

$$\begin{split} \Delta H_{Rx}(300 \text{ K}) &= -3300 \, \text{cal/mol} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ C_{P_{A}} &= 15 \, \text{cal/mol} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ C_{P_{B}} &= 15 \, \text{cal/mol} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ C_{P_{S}} &= 18 \, \text{cal/mol} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ k(300 \text{ K}) &= 0.0005 \, \text{dm}^{3} / \text{mol} \cdot \text{min} \\ E &= 15,000 \, \text{cal/mol} \end{split}$$

6. (20 points)

The elementary adiabatic reaction $A+B \Leftrightarrow 2C$ is carried out adiabatically in a PFR. Show how to determine X and T vs. V. (Write the polymath program and detail all parameters you can) Additional information:

$$\begin{split} F_{Ao} &= 5 \ mol/s \quad C_{Ao} = 0.1 mol/dm^3 \quad F_{Bo} = 2 F_{A0} \quad F_I = F_{Ao}, I = inert \quad T_o = 325 K \\ E &= 25 \ kcal/mol \quad \Delta H_{Rx} = -20 \ kcal/mol \\ C_{P_A} &= C_{P_B} = C_{P_C} = 20 \frac{cal}{mol \ K}, \ C_{P_I} = 40 \frac{cal}{mol \ K} \\ k &= 0.002 \frac{dm^6}{mol \ s}, at 310 K, \ K_C = 1000 \ at 303 K \end{split}$$

7. (20 points)

For the elementary liquid phase reversible Reaction in problem 6

- a) Make a plot of equilibrium conversion as a function of temperature and determine the adiabatic equilibrium temperature and conversion (The feed temperature is 325 K whereas the other additional information are same as given in problem 6)
- b) Suggest how to increase the conversion and show in your plot