

**Model Examination - October 2013
Seventh Semester - Chemical Engineering**

CH 2407 – Process Equipment Design II

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 100 marks

Answer ALL Questions

Part A (5 x 2 = 10 marks)

1. What is meant by correction factor for LMTD?
2. 'Higher pressure fluid is to be placed on the tube side of the shell-and-tube heat exchanger'. Justify this statement.
3. What is the effect of dissolved solid contents on the boiling point of the solution?
4. Why is low pressure steam preferred over high pressure steam in evaporation?
5. Draw the schematic of 2-2 shell and tube heat exchanger.

Part B (20 marks)

6. Write down the steps involved in designing the following equipment. (5)
7. Make suitable calculations to show that the given design is satisfactory. (15)

Part C (50 marks)

8. Draw to scale the suitable views of the equipment, mark the salient parts, and dimensions.

Question for Part B & Part C

Bubble-cap Distillation Column

Acetone (CH_3COCH_3) is to be recovered from an aqueous waste steam by continuous distillation. The feed contains 3.3 mole % of acetone. Acetone of at least 94 mole % in the product is required, and the aqueous effluent must not contain more than 0.016 mole % of acetone. The ideal number of stages based on 100% tray efficiency is estimated to be 16. The average tray efficiency is assumed to be 80%. Reflux ratio is maintained at 1.35. Saturated liquid feed is used.

Properties of fluid at the operating temperature are:

Density of acetone vapor = 2.05 kg/m^3 ; Density of liquid acetone = 753 kg/m^3 .

Density of water vapor = 0.72 kg/m^3 ; Density of liquid water = 954 kg/m^3 .

Molecular weight of acetone is 58; and that of water is 18.

Surface tension of acetone-water feed liquid against its vapor at the feed composition is 25 dyne/cm.

A distillation column of the following configuration is available:

Distillation Column is 3 feet in inner diameter, 10 mm thickness shell, 20 bubble cap trays with a tray spacing of 0.6 m. Feed is introduced in 10th tray from top. The column is supported on the ground with a skirt support. Man-holes of $\phi 500 \text{ mm}$ are available in between (a) 5th and 6th tray from top, and (b) 15th and 16th tray from top. And a sight glass of $\phi 300 \text{ mm}$ is available over the feed tray. Other dimensions of tray are given below:

Details of cap

Nominal diameter = 4inch

Number of caps = 27

Pitch = 5.25inch, triangular

Details of tray

Cross flow tray with weir on the inlet and outlet down-comers

Weir length = 24.75inch; weir height = 3.5inch

Max distance between down-comer plate and column

at the outlet of down-comer = 2.5inch

No of weep hole of 3/8 inch dia = 4

Cross sectional area of down-comer is about 15% of the total column cross sectional area.

Man-way details:

Hexagonal man-way plate attached with the tray by bolting arrangement

Width of man-way plate = 13.75 inch

Maximum length of man-way plate = 26inch

(a) Check whether the above design is satisfactory for a feed flow rate of 300 kmol/h, and the operating velocity of vapor at 65% of the flooding velocity.

(b) And draw:

(i) Line diagram of distillation column assembly indicating the feed tray, sight-glass, man-holes location.

(ii) Details of a typical tray (plan and elevation)