Faculty of Engineering & Technology

M.Tech. (Chemical Engg.) Second Semester (CBS) Examination

ADVANCED SEPARATION TECHNIQUES

Paper-2 CE 2

Time—Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks-80

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- (1) All questions carry marks as indicated.
- (2) Answer any SIX questions.
- (3) Due credit will be given to neatness and adequate dimensions.
- (4) Assume suitable data wherever necessary.
- (5) Diagrams and Chemical equations should be given wherever necessary.
- (6) Use pen of Blue/Black ink/refill only for writing the answer book.
- Describe the membranae transport and separation techniques with the transport equation, physico-chemical criteria with surface force pore model and prediction of membrane performance for either RO or UF membrane module with neat sketches.
- What are the different materials used for (UF) Ultra Filtration membrane techniques? Discuss one industry of your choice for the application of UF with neat sketches.
- 3. An Ultra Filtration (UF) plant is required to treat 50 m³/day of a protein containing waste stream. The waste contains 0.5 kg/m³ of protein which has to be concentrated to 20 kg/m³ so as to allow recycling to the main process stream. The tubular membranes to be used are available as 30 m²

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modules. Pilot plant studies show that the flux J through these membranes is given by ;

$$J = 0.02 / n \left(\frac{30}{c_f}\right) m / n,$$

where - c, is the concentrated of protein in kg/m3.

Due to fouling, the flux never exceeds 0.04 m/h. Estimate the minimum number of membrane modules required for the operation of this process: (a) as a single feed and (b) as two feed and bleed stages in series operation for 20 h/day may be assumed.

- 4. What are the components and criteria for selection of Reverse Osmosis (RO) membrane techniques used domestically for water treatment? Explain the functions and application of each component of this technique.
- 5. Discuss the transfer of solute through membrane in dialysis. A stack of an electrodialysis unit having 100 cells is to be used to partially demineralize 100,000 l/day of water from a casein plant. The salt content is 4000 mg/l and the cation and anion content is 0.066 g equivalent weights per litre. Pilot scale studies using a multicellular stack have been made. It was found that the current efficiency was 0.9, the efficiency of salt removal was 0.5, the resistance was 4.5 ohms, and the current density/normality ratio was 500.

Determine:

- (i) The current I required.
- (ii) The area of the membrane, and
- (iii) The power requirement.

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- 6 Design and develop membrane module for AIR and WATER pollution control for your choice of industrial unit and elaborate the analytical techniques to validate the same.
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- 7. Discuss the membrane bio-reactor and pre evaporation techniques applied in alcohol concentration.
 How does the membrane's chemistry affects the performance?
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- Describe osmosis and osmotic pressure for the semipermeable membrane. Calculate the osmotic pressure of an aqueous solution containing 2 gm of a protein (M2 = 69,000 g/mole) per 100 ml at 27° C in centimeters of mercury and in centimeters of water, taking density of solution as 1 gm/cm² and 1 atms 1013250 dynes/cm².

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- Describe the membrane fouling and compaction for a liquid membrane, containing dilute solute (A) with neat sketch for the flux and the concentration at the membrane's interfaces.
- Discuss the different parameters required to be considered for various membrane modules design with suitable examples of your choice.

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