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# THIRD SEMESTER B.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATION (Regular), DECEMBER 2022

#### (2020 SCHEME)

Course Code : 20CHT281

Course Name: Introduction to Chemical Engineering

Max. Marks : 100

**Duration: 3 Hours** 

### PART A

# (Answer all questions. Each question carries 3 marks)

- 1. List out any three major innovations in chemical engineering and describe them.
- 2. Explain the major activities in process development and process design.
- 3. The weight of an object is 300 N at a location where the acceleration due to gravity is 9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup>. Express the mass in the FPS system.
- 4. Distinguish between vapor pressure and partial pressure.
- 5. Classify drying and evaporation based on their applications.
- 6. Elaborate on the unit operation which is used for separation based on relative volatility.
- 7. What is the mode of heat transfer occurring in solids? State the law governing that mode of heat transfer.
- 8. Compare the different types of fluid flow patterns.
- 9. List the methods for solid disposal systems.
- 10. List any six causes of industrial accidents.

## PART B

# (Answer one full question from each module, each question carries 14 marks)

## **MODULE I**

- 11. a) Describe the history and evolution of chemical engineering as a profession. (7)
  - b) Classify chemical industries based on their applications and give examples for each. (7)

## OR

- 12. a) Elaborate the different roles of chemical engineers in industries. (8)
  - b) Distinguish the major role of Chemist and Chemical Engineer. (6)

# **MODULE II**

13. a) Thermal conductivity of pure iron is 39 Btu/(ft  $h^{\circ}F$ ), and that of (6)

steel containing 1% C is 39 kcal /(m h°C). Which one is the best conductor?

- b) Pure alcohol and water are mixed to get 50% alcohol solution. The density (g/ml) of water alcohol and the solution may be taken to be 0.998, 0.780 and 0.914, respectively at 293K, Calculate the following
  - i. Molarity
  - ii. Molality
  - iii. Volume percent of ethanol in solution

#### OR

- 14. a) One kmol carbon dioxide occupies a volume of 0.381m<sup>3</sup> at 313 K.
  Compare the pressures given by the
  - i. Ideal gas equation
  - ii. Van der Waals Equation
  - Take constants as  $a=0.365 \text{ Nm}^4/\text{mol}^2$  and  $b=4.28\times10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{mol}$
  - b) In the SI System thermal conductivity has the unit W/(m K). The thermal conductivity of solid material can be calculated as  $k=xQ/(A\Delta T)$ , where Q is the rate of heat transfer, x is the thickness of solid, A is the area of heat transfer and  $\Delta T$  is the temperature difference. The following values were obtained experimentally: (7) Q=10000 KJ/h, A = 1 m<sup>2</sup>, x =100mm and  $\Delta T$  =800K.
    - i. Calculate thermal conductivity in W/(m K)
    - ii. Express the thermal conductivity in kcal/(h m°C)

#### **MODULE III**

- 15. a) Classify unit operations and unit processes and explain any one unit process. (8)
  - b) Distinguish between leaching and extraction. (6)

#### OR

- 16. a) Explain briefly on biodiesel production.
  - b) A continuous distillation column is used to regenerate solvent for solvent recovery process. The column treats 200 kmol/h of a feed containing 10% (mol) ethyl alcohol and water. The overhead product is 89% (mol) alcohol, and the bottom product is 0.3% (mol) alcohol. Calculate the overhead and bottom product. Estimate the daily requirement of makeup alcohol for solvent extraction process.

#### **MODULE IV**

- 17. a) With neat sketch classify the types of ideal reactors. (6)
  - b) Describe briefly about the equipment that are used for transportation of fluids. (8)

#### OR

18. a) Explain the different types of flow diagram. (4)

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b) Describe briefly about the working principle of manometers and classify them. (10)

### **MODULE V**

- 19. a) The Bhopal Gas Tragedy, 1984 was a catastrophe that had no parallel in the world's industrial history. Justify the major reasons (8) that led to the tragedy.
  - b) What are the techniques used for solid waste management? Explain any two methods briefly. (6)

## OR

- 20. a) Outline the working of a wastewater treatment plant with a neat diagram. (10)
  - b) Describe the side effects of aerial spraying of Endosulfan on human beings. (4)

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