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MASS TRANSFER OPERATIONS

(Biotechnology)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 75

Answer any five questions

All questions carry equal marks

- 1.a) Ammonia gas (A) diffuses through nitrogen gas (B) under steady state conditions with nitrogen non diffusing. The total pressure is 1.013×10^5 pa and the temperature is 298 K. The diffusion path ($z_2 - z_1$) is 0.15 m. The partial pressure of NH_3 at one point is 1.5×10^4 Pa. The D_{AB} of the mixture at 1.013×10^5 pa and 298 K is $2.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$. Calculate the flux of NH_3 .
- b) Derive Stefan's equation for the estimation of diffusion coefficient. [8+7]
- 2.a) Describe the effect of gas velocity on the mass transfer rate in fermentation broths.
- b) List various ways of expressing mass transfer coefficient with their units. [7+8]
- 3.a) A vapour mixture containing 70-mole% methanol and the rest water vapour is condensed differentially at 760 mm Hg, to condense 60% of the feed. Compute the composition of the vaporous residue and the condensate. The equilibrium data is given below:

"X"	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0
"Y"	0.417	0.519	0.729	0.825	0.915	1.0

- b) Explain briefly about the estimation of number of stages by McCabe-Thiele Method. [8+7]
- 4.a) What are the important characteristics of a good solvent in liquid-liquid extraction?
- b) One hundred kilograms of a 50% solution of C in A (carrier) is equilibrated with 70 kg of solvent B containing 2% of C. At equilibrium, the raffinate phase has a mass of 80 kg and has 52% A and 8% B in it. What is the selectivity?
- c) Write short notes on applications of liquid-liquid extraction. [7+4+4]
- 5.a) Discuss the mechanism of leaching and the factors which will influence the rate of leaching.
- b) What is the rate of nucleation? Explain attrition and origins of crystal in crystallizers. [7+8]

6. 1400 kg (bone dry) of granular solid is to be dried under constant drying conditions from moisture content of 0.2 kg/kg of dry solid to a final moisture content of 0.02 kg/kg dry solid. The material has an effective area of $0.0615 \text{ m}^2 / \text{kg}$ of solid. Under the same condition the following rates were previously known (data given below). Calculate the time required for drying.

X: 0.300 0.200 0.140 0.096 0.056 0.046 0.026 0.016

N: 1.710 1.710 1.710 1.460 1.290 0.880 0.540 0.376

Where X is kg/kg of dry solid and N is in kg / m^2 . [15]

- 7.a) What are the six most common membrane separation processes? Give an industrial application of each one.
- b) Write the equations for calculating water flux, solute flux and rejection coefficient in reverse osmosis process. [8+7]
- 8.a) Address the problems encountered during recovery of ethanol and the requirements to overcome these difficulties.
- b) Explain briefly the extraction of penicillin using butyl acetate solvent. [10+5]

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