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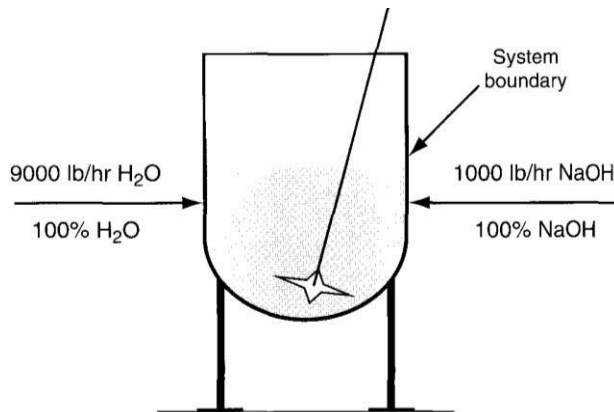


Figure 6.13a Initial condition for the semi-batch mixing process. Vessel is empty.

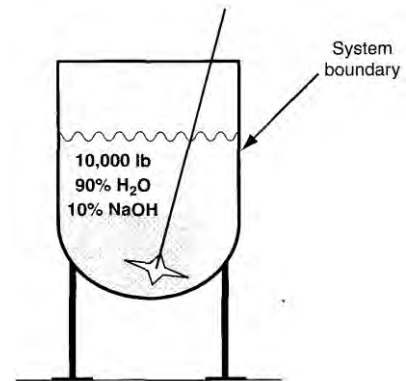


Figure 6.13b Condition of a semi-batch mixing process after 1 hour of operation.

Example 6.3

A measurement for water flushing of a steel tank originally containing motor oil showed that 0.15 percent by weight of the original contents remained on the interior tank surface. What is the fractional loss of oil before flushing with water, and the pounds of discharge of motor oil into the environment during a 10,000 gal tank truck that carried motor oil? (The density of motor oil is about 0.80 g/cm^3).

Solution

Basis: 10,000 gal motor oil at an assumed 77°F

The initial mass of the motor oil in the tank was

$$(10000 \text{ gal})(3.785 \text{ lit/1 gal})(1000 \text{ cm}^3/1 \text{ lit})(0.8 \text{ g/cm}^3)(1 \text{ lb}/454 \text{ g}) = 66700 \text{ lb}$$

The mass fractional loss is **0.0015**. The oil material balance is

<u>Initial</u>	=	<u>unloaded</u>	+	<u>residual discharged on cleaning</u>
66,700		= 66,700(0.9985)		+ 66,700(0.0015)

Thus, the discharge on flushing is **66,700 (0.0015) = 100 lb**.

Questions

1. Is it true that if no material crosses the boundary of a system, the system is a closed system?
2. Is mass conserved within an open process?
3. Can an accumulation be negative? What does a negative accumulation mean?
4. Under what circumstances can the accumulation term in the material balance be zero for a process?
5. Distinguish between a steady-state and an unsteady-state process.
6. What is a transient process? Is it different than an unsteady-state process?

7. Does Equation 6.4 apply to a system involving more than one component?
8. When a chemical plant or refinery uses various feeds and produces various products, does Equation 6.4 apply to each component in the plant?
9. What terms of the general material balance, Equation (6.5), can be deleted if
 - a. The process is known to be a steady-state process.
 - b. The process is carried out inside a closed vessel.
 - c. The process does not involve a chemical reaction.
10. What is the difference between a batch process and a closed process?
11. What is the difference between a semi-batch process and a closed process?
12. What is the difference between a semi-batch process and an open process?

Answers:

1. Yes
2. Not necessarily – accumulation can occur
3. Yes; depletion
4. No reaction (a) closed system, or (b) flow of a component in and out are equal.
5. In an unsteady-state system, the state of the system changes with time, whereas with a steady-state system, it does not.
6. A transient process is an unsteady-state process.
7. Yes
8. Yes
9. (a) Accumulation; (b) flow in and out; (c) generation and consumption
10. None
11. A flow in occurs
12. None, except in a flow process, usually flows occur both in and out

Problems

1. Here is a report from a catalytic polymerization unit:

Charge:

	<u>Pounds per hour</u> ^P
Propane and butanes	15,500

Production:

Propane and lighter	5,680
Butane	2,080
Polymer	missing

What is the production in pounds per hour of the polymer?

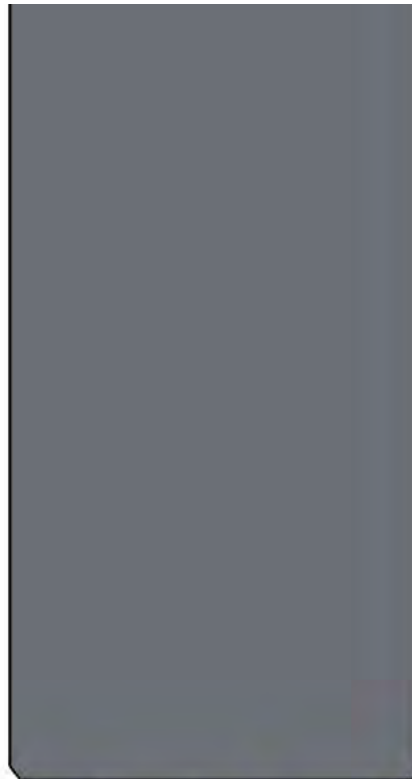
2. A plant discharges 4,000 gal/min of treated wastewater that contains 0.25 mg/L of PCB, (polychlorinated biphenyls) into a river that contains no measurable PCBs upstream of the discharge. If the river flow rate is 1,500 cubic feet per second, after the discharged water has thoroughly mixed with the river water, what is the concentration of PCBs in the river in mg/L?

Answers:

1. 7740 lb/hr
2. 1.49×10^{-3} mg/L

Supplementary Problems (Chapter Six):

Problem 1



- The input is 1.5 kg in one hour.
 - The output is 1.2 kg in one hour.
 - Assume the process is unsteady state. Then the accumulation in the soil is 0.3 kg in one hour.
 - Assume unsteady state. If not, the accumulation would be zero and perhaps some leak from the closed system occurred (as would likely occur in the field).
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Problem2

ethyl alcohol is mixed with 1 L of water, how many kilograms of solution result?
 s?

Problem 6.2
 If 1 L of
 How many liter

densities of alcohol and water at 20°C are 0.789 and 0.998 g/cm³, respectively.

Solution
 The den



1000 cm³
Problem3

89 g

$$\frac{0.998 \text{ g}}{\text{cm}^3} \times 1000 \text{ cm}^3 = 998 \text{ g}$$

$$\frac{0.789 \text{ g}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

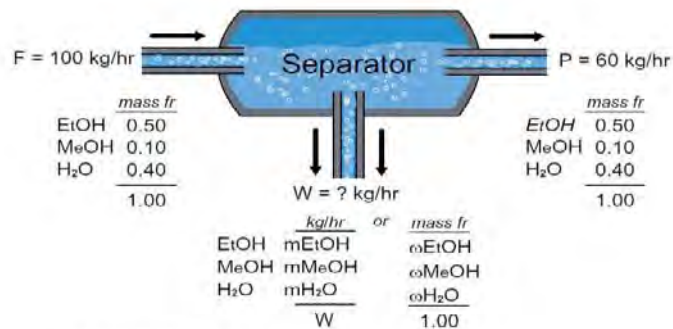
789 + 998 = 1787 g.

The total kg are

densities are not additive. For a 789/1789 = 0.442 mass fraction solution of alcohol in
 water at 20°C is 0.929 g/cm³.

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$$\frac{1787 \text{ g}}{0.929 \text{ g/cm}^3} = 1923 \text{ cm}^3$$



An obvious basis is one hour.

The variables whose values are unknown are either (a) m_{EtOH} , m_{MeOH} , and $m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$ plus W , or (b) ω_{EtOH} , ω_{MeOH} , and $\omega_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$ plus W . Either set of four is acceptable as they are equivalent. We have four unknowns, and need four independent equations.

$$\begin{array}{lclclclclclcl}
 \text{Total:} & F & = & P & + & W & & F & = & P & + & W \\
 \text{EtOH:} & 0.50F & = & 0.80P & + & m_{\text{EtOH}} & & 0.50F & = & 0.80P & + & \omega_{\text{EtOH}}W \\
 \text{MeOH:} & 0.10F & = & 0.15P & + & m_{\text{MeOH}} & \text{ or } & 0.10F & = & 0.15P & + & \omega_{\text{MeOH}}W \\
 \text{H}_2\text{O:} & 0.40F & = & 0.05P & + & m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} & & 0.40F & = & 0.05P & + & \omega_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}W
 \end{array}$$

In addition you know one more independent equation holds for the components in W

$$m_{\text{EtOH}} + m_{\text{MeOH}} + m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = W \quad \text{or} \quad \omega_{\text{EtOH}} + \omega_{\text{MeOH}} + \omega_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 1$$

The solution of the equations is (using the total and first two component balances)

	m_i (kg/hr)	ω_i (mass fr)
EtOH	2	0.050
MeOH	1	0.025
H ₂ O	<u>37</u>	<u>0.925</u>
	40	1.00

As a check, we will use the third component balance, the one for H₂O, a redundant equation

$$\begin{array}{lclclclcl}
 0.40(100) & \stackrel{?}{=} & 0.05(60) + 37 & \text{ or } & 0.40(100) & = & 0.05(60) + 0.925(40) \\
 40 & = & 3 + 37 & & 40 & = & 3 + 37
 \end{array}$$

Chapter7

A General Strategy for Solving Material Balance Problems

7.1 Problem Solving

An orderly method of analyzing problems and presenting their solutions represents training in logical thinking that is of considerably greater value than mere knowledge of how to solve a particular type of problem.

7.2 The Strategy for Solving Problems

1. Read and understand the problem statement.
2. Draw a sketch of the process and specify the system boundary.
3. Place labels for unknown variables and values for known variables on the sketch.
4. Obtain any missing needed data.
5. Choose a basis.
6. Determine the number of unknowns.
7. Determine the number of independent equations, and carry out a degree of freedom analysis.
8. Write down the equations to be solved.
9. Solve the equations and calculate the quantities asked for.
10. Check your answer.

Example 7.1

A thickener in a waste disposal unit of a plant removes water from wet sewage sludge as shown in Figure E7.1. How many kilograms of water leave the thickener per 100 kg of wet sludge that enter the thickener? The process is in the steady state.

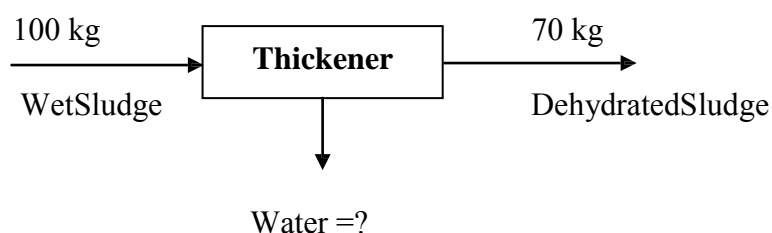


Figure E7.1

Solution

Basis: 100 kg wet sludge

The system is the thickener (an open system). No accumulation, generation, or consumption occurs.

The total mass balance is

$$\underline{\text{In}} = \underline{\text{Out}}$$

$$100 \text{ kg} = 70 \text{ kg} + \text{kg of water}$$

Consequently, the water amounts to 30kg.

Example7.2

A continuous mixer mixes NaOH with H₂O to produce an aqueous solution of NaOH. Determine the composition and flow rate of the product if the flow rate of NaOH is 1000 kg/hr, and the ratio of the flow rate of the H₂O to the product solution is 0.9. For this process,

1. Sketch of the process is required.
2. Place the known information on the diagram of the process.
3. What basis would you choose for the problem?
4. How many unknowns exist?
5. Determine the number of independent equations.
6. Write the equations to be solved.
7. Solve the equations.
8. Check your answer.

Solution

1. The process is an open one, and we assume it to be steady state.

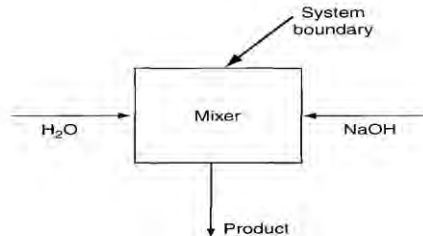
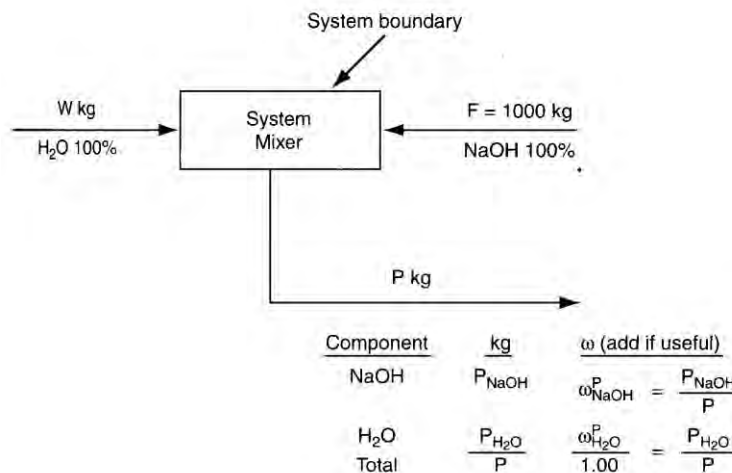


Figure E7.2

2. Because no contrary information is provided about the composition of the H₂O and NaOH streams, we will assume that they are 100% H₂O and NaOH, respectively.



3. Basis (1000 kg or 1 hour or 1000 kg/hr) (all are equivalent)
4. We do not know the values of four variables: W , P , P_{NaOH} and $P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$.
5. You can write three material balances:
 - one for the NaOH
 - one for the H_2O
 - one total balance (the sum of the two component balances)

Only two are independent.

Note: You can write as many independent material balances as there are species involved in the system.

6. Material balance: in = out or in – out = 0

$$\text{NaOH balance: } 1000 = P_{\text{NaOH}} \quad \text{or} \quad 1000 - P_{\text{NaOH}} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O balance: } W = P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \quad \text{or} \quad W - P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Given ratio: } W = 0.9P \quad \text{or} \quad W - 0.9P = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Sum of components in } P: P_{\text{NaOH}} + P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = P \quad \text{or} \quad P_{\text{NaOH}} + P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} - P = 0 \quad (4)$$

Could you substitute the total mass balance $1000 + W = P$ for one of the two component mass balances? Of course! In fact, you could calculate P by solving just two equations:

$$\text{Total balance: } 1000 + W = P$$

$$\text{Given ratio: } W = 0.9P$$

7. Solve equations:

$$W = 0.9P \text{ substitute in total balance } 1000 + 0.9P = P$$

$$\therefore P = 10000 \text{ kg} \ \& \ W = 0.9 * 10000 = 9000 \text{ kg} \quad (\text{The basis is still 1 hr } (F_{\text{NaOH}} = 1000 \text{ kg}))$$

From these two values you can calculate the amount of H_2O and NaOH in the product

$$\text{From the } \begin{cases} \text{NaOH balance:} \\ \text{H}_2\text{O balance:} \end{cases} \text{ you get } \begin{cases} P_{\text{NaOH}} = 1000 \text{ kg} \\ P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 9000 \text{ kg} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\omega_{\text{NaOH}}^P = \frac{1000 \text{ kg NaOH}}{10,000 \text{ kg Total}} = 0.1$$

$$\omega_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^P = \frac{9,000 \text{ kg H}_2\text{O}}{10,000 \text{ kg Total}} = 0.9$$

Note

$$\omega_{\text{NaOH}}^P + \omega_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^P = 1$$

8. The total balance would have been a redundant balance, and could be used to check the answers

$$P_{\text{NaOH}} + P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = P$$

$$1,000 + 9,000 = 10,000$$

Note: After solving a problem, use a redundant equation to check your values.

Degree of Freedom Analysis

The phrase degrees of freedom have evolved from the design of plants in which fewer independent equations than unknowns exist. The difference is called the degrees of freedom available to the designer to specify flow rates, equipment sizes, and so on. You calculate the number of degrees of freedom (N_D) as follows:

Degrees of freedom = number of unknowns — number of independent equations

$$N_D = N_U - N_E$$

- ★ When you calculate the number of degrees of freedom you ascertain the solvability of a problem. **Three** outcomes exist:

Case	N_D	Possibility of Solution
$N_U = N_E$	0	Exactly specified (determined); a solution exists
$N_U > N_E$	>0	Under specified (determined); more independent equations required
$N_U < N_E$	<0	Over specified (determined)

For the problem in **Example 7.2**,

$$N_U = 4$$

$$N_E = 4$$

So that

$$N_D = N_U - N_E = 4 - 4 = 0$$

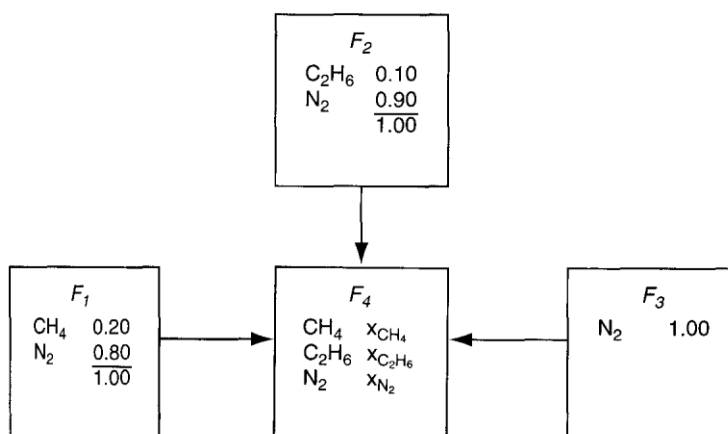
And a **unique** solution exists for the problem.

Example 7.3

A cylinder containing CH_4 , C_2H_6 , and N_2 has to be prepared containing a CH_4 to C_2H_6 mole ratio of 1.5 to 1. A cylinder available to prepare the mixture is (1) a cylinder containing a mixture of 80% N_2 and 20% CH_4 , (2) a cylinder containing a mixture of 90% N_2 and 10% C_2H_6 , and (3) a cylinder containing pure N_2 . What is the number of degrees of freedom, i.e., the number of independent specifications that must be made, so that you can determine the respective contributions from each cylinder to get the desired composition in the cylinder with the three components?

Solution

A sketch of the process greatly helps in the analysis of the degrees of freedom. Look at Figure E7.3.



FigureE7.3

Do you count **seven unknowns** — **three** values of x_i and **four** values of F_i ? How many independent equations can be written?

- ◆ Three material balances: CH₄, C₂H₆, and N₂
- ◆ One specified ratio: moles of CH₄ to C₂H₆ equal 1.5 or $(X_{CH_4}/X_{C_2H_6}) = 1.5$
- ◆ One summation of mole fractions: $\sum x_i^{F_4} = 1$

Thus, there are seven minus five equal two degrees of freedom ($N_D = N_U - N_E = 7 - 5 = 2$). If you pick a basis, such as $F_4 = 1$, one other value has to be specified to solve the problem to calculate composition of F₄.

Questions

1. What does the concept—solution of a material balance problem mean?
2. (a) How many values of unknown variables can you compute from one independent material balance?
 (b) From three independent material balance equations?
 (c) From four material balances, three of which are independent?
3. If you want to solve a set of independent equations that contain fewer unknown variables than equations (the over specified problem), how should you proceed with the solution?
4. What is the major category of implicit constraints (equations) you encounter in material balance problems?
5. If you want to solve a set of independent equations that contain more unknown variables than equations (the underspecified problem), what must you do to proceed with the solution?

Answers:

1. A solution means a (possibly unique) set of values for the unknowns in a problem that satisfies the equations formulated in the problem.
2. (a) one; (b) three; (c) three.
3. Delete nonpertinent equations, or find additional variables not included in the analysis.
4. The sum of the mass or mole fraction in a stream or inside a system is unity.
5. Obtain more equations or specifications, or delete variables of negligible importance.

Problems

1. A water solution containing 10% acetic acid is added to a water solution containing 30% acetic acid flowing at the rate of 20 kg/min. The product P of the combination leaves at the rate of 100 kg/min. What is the composition of P? For this process,
 - a. Determine how many independent balances can be written.
 - b. List the names of the balances.
 - c. Determine how many unknown variables can be solved for.
 - d. List their names and symbols.
 - e. Determine the composition of P.
2. Can you solve these three material balances for F, D, and P? Explain why not.

$$0.1F + 0.3D = 0.2P$$

$$0.9F + 0.7D = 0.8P$$

$$F + D = P$$

3. How many values of the concentrations and flow rates in the process shown in Figure SAT7.2P3 are unknown? List them. The streams contain two components, 1 and 2.

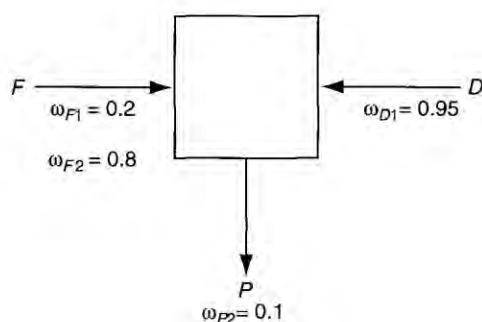


Figure SAT7.2P3

4. How many material balances are needed to solve problem 3? Is the number the same as the number of unknown variables? Explain.

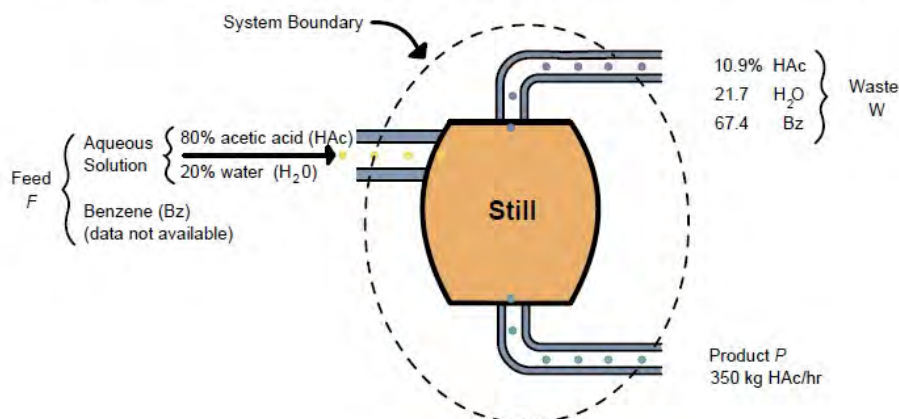
Answers:

- (a) Two; (b) two of these three: acetic acid, water, total; (c) two; (d) feed of the 10% solution (say F) and mass fraction ω of the acetic acid in P ; (e) 14% acetic acid and 86% water
- Not for a unique solution because only two of the equations are independent.
- $F, D, P, \omega_{D2}, \omega_{P1}$
- Three unknowns exist. Because only two independent material balances can be written for the problem, one value of $F, D,$ or P must be specified to obtain a solution. Note that specifying values of ω_{D2} or ω_{P1} will not help.

Supplementary Problems (ChapterSeven):

Problem1

A continuous still is to be used to separate acetic acid, water, and benzene from each other. On a trial run, the calculated data were as shown in the figure. Data recording the benzene composition of the feed were not taken because of an instrument defect. The problem is to calculate the benzene flow in the feed per hour. How many independent material balance equations can be formulated for this problem? How many variables whose values are unknown exist in the problem?



Solution

Three components exist in the problem, hence three mass balances can be written down (the units are kg):

<i>Balance</i>	<u><i>F in</i></u>	=	<u><i>W out</i></u>	+	<u><i>P out</i></u>	
HAc:	$0.80(1 - \omega_{Bz,F})F$	=	$0.109W$	+	350	(a)
H ₂ O:	$0.20(1 - \omega_{Bz,F})F$	=	$0.217W$	+	0	(b)
Benzene:	$\omega_{Bz,F}F$	=	$0.67W$	+	0	(c)

The total balance would be: $F = W + 350$ (in kg).

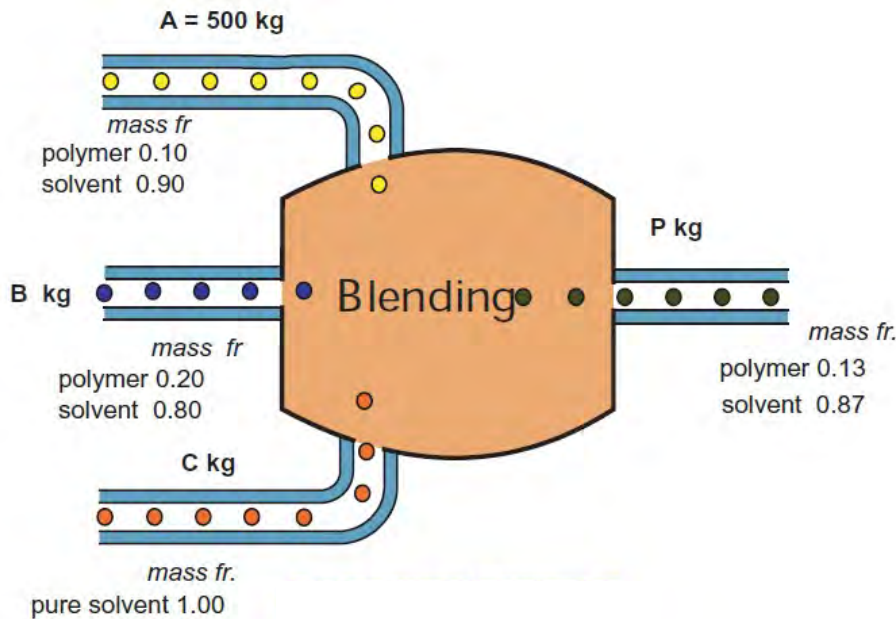
Problem2

A liquid adhesive, which is used to make laminated boards, consists of a polymer dissolved in a solvent. The amount of polymer in the solution has to be carefully controlled for this application. When the supplier of the adhesive receives an order for 3000 kg of an adhesive solution containing 13 wt % polymer, all it has on hand is (1) 500 kg of a 10 wt % solution, (2) a very large quantity of a 20 wt % solution, and (3) pure solvent.

Calculate the weight of each of the three stocks that must be blended together to fill the order. Use all of the 10 wt % solution.

Solution

This is a steady state process without reaction.



Basis: 3000 kg 13 wt % polymer solution

Two unknowns: B and C . (A is not an unknown since all of it must be used).

$$\text{Total balance: } 500 + B + C = 3000 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Polymer balance: } 0.10 (500) + 0.20 B + 0.00 (C) = 0.13 (3000) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Solvent balance: } 0.90 (500) + 0.80 B + 1.00 (C) = 0.87 (3000) \quad (3)$$

We will use equations (1) and (2).

$$\text{from (2) } 0.1 (500) + 0.20 B = 0.13 (3000)$$

$$B = 1700 \text{ kg}$$

$$\text{from (1) } 500 + 1700 + C = 3000$$

$$C = 800 \text{ kg}$$

Equation (3) can be used as a check,

$$0.90 A + 0.80 B + C = 0.87 P$$

$$0.90 (500) + 0.80 (1700) + 800 = 2610 = 0.87 (3000) = 2610$$

Chapter8

Solving Material Balance Problems for Single Units without Reaction

The use of material balances in a process allows you (a) to calculate the values of the total flows and flows of species in the streams that enter and leave the plant equipment, and (b) to calculate the change of conditions inside the equipment.

Example8.1

Determine the mass fraction of Streptomycin in the exit organic solvent assuming that no water exits with the solvent and no solvent exits with the aqueous solution. Assume that the density of the aqueous solution is 1 g/cm^3 and the density of the organic solvent is 0.6 g/cm^3 . Figure E8.1 shows the overall process.

Solution

This is a non **open** (flow), **steady-state** process without reaction. Assume because of the low concentration of Strep. in the aqueous and organic fluids that the **flow rates of the entering fluids equal** the flow rates of the **exit** fluids.

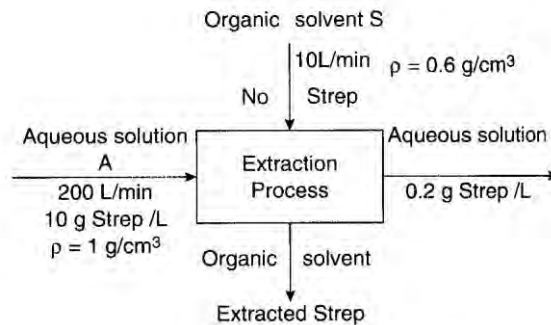


Figure E8.1

Basis: 1min

Basis: Feed = 200 L (flow of aqueous entering aqueous solution)

- Flow of exiting aqueous solution (same as existing flow)
- Flow of exiting organic solution (same as existing flow)

The material balances are **in = out** in **grams**. Let **x** be the **g** of Strep per **L** of solvent **S**

Strep.balance:

$$\frac{200 \text{ L of A}}{1 \text{ L of A}} \left| \frac{10 \text{ g Strep}}{1 \text{ L of A}} \right. + \frac{10 \text{ L of S}}{1 \text{ L of S}} \left| \frac{0 \text{ g Strep}}{1 \text{ L of S}} \right. = \frac{200 \text{ L of A}}{1 \text{ L of A}} \left| \frac{0.2 \text{ g Strep}}{1 \text{ L of A}} \right. + \frac{10 \text{ L of S}}{1 \text{ L of S}} \left| \frac{x \text{ g Strep}}{1 \text{ L of S}} \right.$$

$$x = 196 \text{ g Strep/L of solvent}$$

To get the **g Strep/g solvent**, use the density of the solvent:

$$\frac{196 \text{ g Strep}}{1 \text{ L of S}} \bigg| \frac{1 \text{ L of S}}{1000 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ of S}} \bigg| \frac{1 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ of S}}{0.6 \text{ g of S}} = 0.3267 \text{ g Strep/g of S}$$

The mass fraction Strep = $\frac{0.3267}{1 + 0.3267} = 0.246$

Example8.2

Membranes represent a relatively new technology for the separation of gases. One use that has attracted attention is the separation of nitrogen and oxygen from air. Figure E8.2 illustrates a nanoporous membrane that is made by coating a very thin layer of polymer on a porous graphite supporting layer. What is the composition of the waste stream if the waste stream amounts to 80% of the input stream?

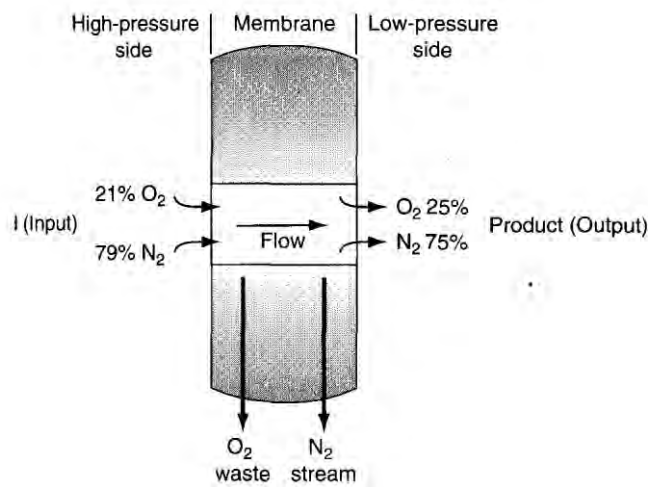
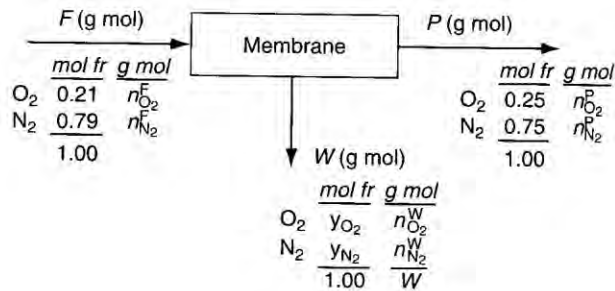


Figure E8.2a

Solution

This is an **open, steady-state process** without chemical reaction.



Basis: 100 g mol = F

Basis: F = 100

Specifications: $n_{O_2}^F = 0.21(100) = 21$
 $n_{N_2}^F = 0.79(100) = 79$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{O_2}^P &= n_{O_2}^P/P = 0.25 & n_{O_2}^P &= 0.25P \\
 y_{N_2}^P &= n_{N_2}^P/P = 0.75 & n_{N_2}^P &= 0.75P \\
 W &= 0.80(100) = 80
 \end{aligned}$$

Material balances: O₂ and N₂

Implicit equations: $\sum n_i^W = W$ or $\sum y_i^W = 1$

	<i>In</i>	<i>Out</i>	or	<i>In</i>	<i>Out</i>
O ₂ :	0.21 (100)	= 0.25P + y _{O₂} ^W (80)	or	0.21 (100)	= 0.25P + n _{O₂} ^W
N ₂ :	0.79 (100)	= 0.75P + y _{N₂} ^W (80)	or	0.79 (100)	= 0.75P + n _{N₂} ^W
	1.00	= y _{O₂} ^W + y _{N₂} ^W	or	80	= n _{O₂} ^W + n _{N₂} ^W

The solution of these equations is

$$n_{O_2}^W = 16 \text{ and } n_{N_2}^W = 64, \text{ or } y_{O_2}^W = 0.20 \text{ and } y_{N_2}^W = 0.80, \text{ and } P = 20 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$$

Check: total balance 100 = 20 + 80 OK

❖ **Another method for solution**

The overall balance is easy to solve because

$$F = P + W \quad \text{or} \quad 100 = P + 80$$

Gives P = 20 straight off. Then, the oxygen balance would be

$$0.21(100) = 0.25(20) + n_{O_2}^W$$

$$n_{O_2}^W = 16 \text{ g mol}, \text{ and } n_{N_2}^W = 80 - 16 = 64 \text{ g mol}.$$

Note (Example 8.2)

$n_{O_2}^F + n_{N_2}^F = F$ is a redundant equation because it repeats some of the specifications.

Also, $n_{O_2}^P + n_{N_2}^P = P$ is redundant. Divide the equation by P to get $y_{O_2}^P + y_{N_2}^P = 1$, a relation that is equivalent to the sum of two of the specifications.

Example 8.3

A novice manufacturer of ethyl alcohol (denoted as EtOH) for gasohol is having a bit of difficulty with a distillation column. The process is shown in Figure E 8.3. It appears that too much alcohol is lost in the bottoms (waste). Calculate the composition of the bottoms and the mass of the alcohol lost in the bottoms based on the data shown in Figure E 8.3 that was collected during 1 hour of operation.

Solution

The process is an **open system**, and we assume it is in the **steady state**. No **reaction** occurs.

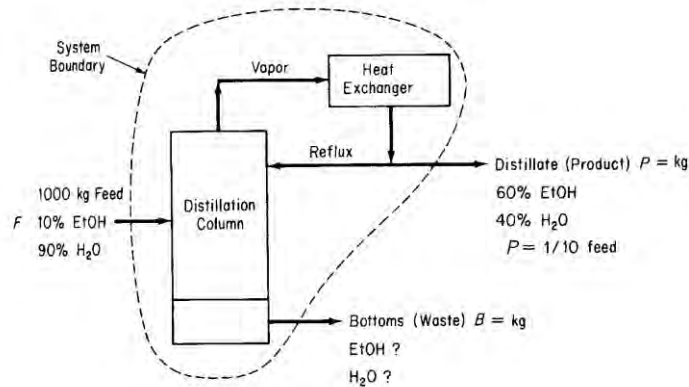


Figure E8.3

Basis: 1 hour so that **F = 1000 kg** of feed

We are given that P is (1/10) of F, so that $P = 0.1(1000) = 100\text{kg}$

Basis: $F = 1000\text{kg}$

Specifications: $m_{\text{EtOH}}^F = 1000(0.10) = 100$

$P = (0.1) (F) = 100\text{kg}$

Material balances: EtOH and H₂O

Implicit equations: $\sum m_i^B = B$ or $\sum \omega_i^B = 1$

The total mass balance:

$$F = P + B$$

$$B = 1000 - 100 = 900\text{kg}$$

The solution for the composition of the **bottoms** can then be computed directly from the material balances:

	kg feed in	kg distillate out	kg bottoms out	Mass fraction
EtOH balance:	$0.10(1000)$	$- 0.60(100)$	$= 40$	0.044
H ₂ O balance:	$0.90(1000)$	$- 0.40(100)$	$= 860$	0.956
			900	1.000

As a **check** let's use the redundant equation

$$m_{\text{EtOH}}^B + m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^B = B \quad \text{or} \quad \omega_{\text{EtOH}}^B + \omega_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^B = 1$$

$$40 + 860 = 900 = B$$

Example8.4

You are asked to prepare a **batch** of 18.63% battery acid as follows. A tank of old weak battery acid (H_2SO_4) solution contains 12.43% H_2SO_4 (the remainder is pure water). If 200 kg of 77.7% H_2SO_4 is added to the tank, and the final solution is to be 18.63% H_2SO_4 , how many kilograms of battery acid have been made? See Figure E8.4.

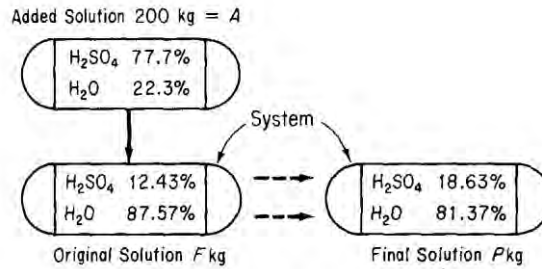


Figure E8.4

Solution

1. An unsteady-state process (the tank initially contains sulfuric acid solution).

$$\text{Accumulation} = \text{In} - \text{Out}$$

2. Steady-state process (the tank as initially being empty)

$$\text{In} = \text{Out} \quad (\text{Because no accumulation occurs in the tank})$$

- 1) Solve the problem with the mixing treated as an **unsteady-state process**.

$$\text{Basis} = 200 \text{ kg of A}$$

Material balances: H_2SO_4 and H_2O The balances will be in kilograms.

Type of Balance	Accumulation in Tank		In	Out
	Final	Initial		
H_2SO_4	$P(0.1863)$	$- F(0.1243)$	$= 200(0.777)$	$- 0$
H_2O	$P(0.8137)$	$- F(0.8757)$	$= 200(0.223)$	$- 0$
Total	P	$- F$	$= 200$	$- 0$

Note that any pair of the three equations is independent.

$$P = 2110 \text{ kg acid} \quad \& \quad F = 1910 \text{ kg acid}$$

- 2) The problem could also be solved by considering the mixing to be a **steady-state process**.

	$\frac{A \text{ in}}$		$\frac{F \text{ in}}$	$=$	$\frac{P \text{ out}}$
H_2SO_4	$200(0.777)$	+	$F(0.1243)$	$=$	$P(0.1863)$
H_2O	$200(0.223)$	+	$F(0.8757)$	$=$	$P(0.8137)$
Total	A	+	F	$=$	P

Note: You can see by inspection that these equations are no different than the first set of mass balances except for the arrangement and labels.

Example 8.5

In a given batch of fish cake that contains 80% water (the remainder is dry cake), 100 kg of water is removed, and it is found that the fish cake is then 40% water. Calculate the weight of the fish cake originally put into the dryer. Figure E8.5 is a diagram of the process.

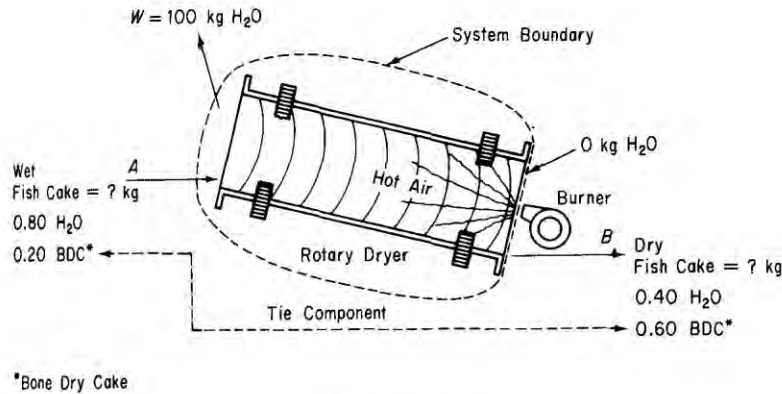


Figure E8.5

Solution

This is a steady-state process without reaction.

Basis: 100 kg of water evaporated = W

	<i>In</i>	=	<i>Out</i>	
Total balance:	A		B + W = B + 100	}
BDC balance:	0.20A		= 0.60B	

mass balances

$A = 150 \text{ kg}$ initial cake and $B = (150)(0.20/0.60) = 50 \text{ kg}$

Check via the water balance: $0.80 A = 0.40 B + 100$

$0.80(150) \approx 0.40(50) + 100$

$120 = 120$

Note

In Example 8.5 the BDC in the wet and dry fish cake is known as a **tie component** because the BDC goes from a single stream in the process to another single stream **without loss, addition, or splitting**.

Example8.6

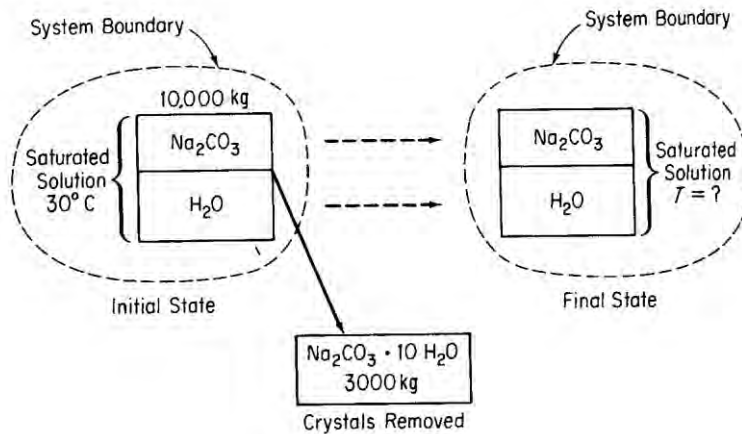
A tank holds 10,000 kg of a saturated solution of Na_2CO_3 at 30°C . You want to crystallize from this solution 3000 kg of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$ without any accompanying water. To what temperature must the solution be cooled?

You definitely need solubility data for Na_2CO_3 as a function of the temperature:

Temp.($^\circ\text{C}$)	Solubility (g Na_2CO_3 /100 g H_2O)
0	7
10	12.5
20	21.5
30	38.8

Solution

No **reaction** occurs. Although the problem could be set up as a **steady-state problem** with flows in and out of the system (the tank), it is equally justified to treat the process as an **unsteady-state process**.



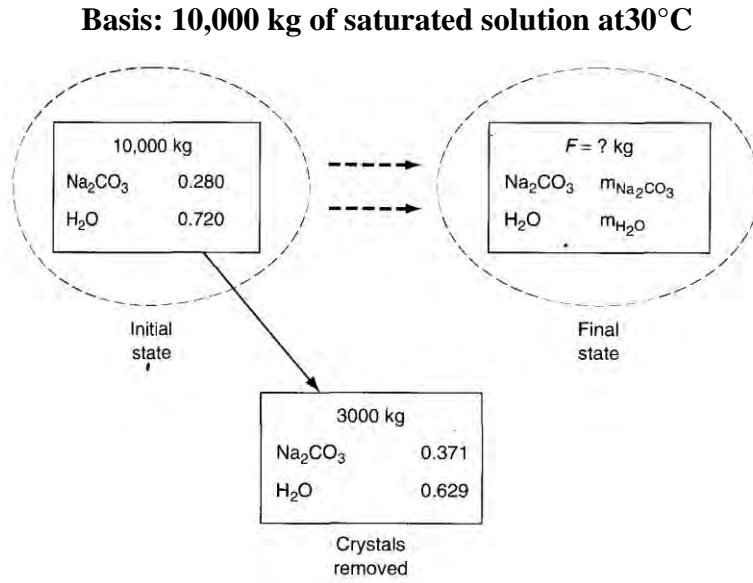
Because the initial solution is saturated at 30°C , you can calculate the composition of the initial solution:

$$\frac{38.8 \text{ g Na}_2\text{CO}_3}{38.8 \text{ g Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + 100 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}} = 0.280 \text{ mass fraction Na}_2\text{CO}_3$$

Next, you should calculate the composition of the crystals.

Basis: 1 g mol $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Comp.	Mol	Mol wt.	Mass	Mass fr
Na_2CO_3	1	106	106	0.371
H_2O	10	18	180	0.629
Total			286	1.00



An **unsteady-state** problem, the mass balance reduces to (the flow in = 0)

$$\text{Accumulation} = \text{In} - \text{Out}$$

Basis: I = 10,000kg

Material balances: Na₂CO₃, H₂O

Note that $\omega_i^I I = m_i^I$, $\omega_i^F F = m_i^F$, and $\omega_i^C C = m_i^C$ are redundant equations.

C = Crystals

Also redundant are equations such as $\sum \omega_i = 1$ and $\sum m_i = m_{\text{total}}$.

M.B.:

Accumulation in Tank					
	<i>Final</i>		<i>Initial</i>		<i>Transport out</i>
Na ₂ CO ₃	$m_{\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3}^F$	-	10,000(0.280)	=	-3000(0.371)
H ₂ O	$m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^F$	-	10,000(0.720)	=	-3000(0.629)
Total	F	-	10,000	=	-3000

The solution for the composition and amount of the final solution is

Component	kg
$m_{\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3}^F$	1687
$m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^F$	5313
F (total)	7000

Check using the total balance: $7,000 + 3,000 = 10,000$

To find the temperature of the final solution, $\frac{1,687 \text{ kg Na}_2\text{CO}_3}{5,313 \text{ kg H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{31.8 \text{ g Na}_2\text{CO}_3}{100 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}}$

Thus, the temperature to which the solution must be cooled lies between **20°C** and **30°C**. By **linear interpolation**

$$30^{\circ}\text{C} - \frac{38.8-31.8}{38.8-21.5}(10.0^{\circ}\text{C}) = 26^{\circ}\text{C}$$

Example8.7

This example focuses on the plasma components of the streams: water, uric acid (UR), creatinine (CR), urea (U), P, K, and Na. You can ignore the initial filling of the dialyzer because the treatment lasts for an interval of two or three hours. Given the measurements obtained from one treatment shown in Figure E8.7b, calculate the grams per liter of each component of the plasma in the outlet solution.

Solution

This is an open steady-state system.

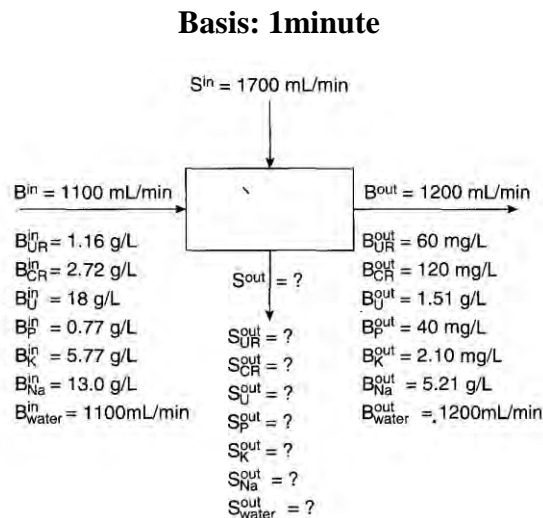


Figure E8.7b

- The **entering solution** is assumed to be essentially **water**.

The water balance in grams, assuming that 1 mL is equivalent to 1 gram, is:

$$1100 + 1700 = 1200 + S_{\text{water}}^{\text{out}} \quad \text{hence:} \quad S_{\text{water}}^{\text{out}} = 1600 \text{ mL}$$

The component balances in grams are:

	<i>g/L</i>
UR: $1.1(1.16) + 0 = 1.2(0.060) + 1.6 S_{\text{UR}}^{\text{out}}$	$S_{\text{UR}}^{\text{out}} = 0.75$
CR: $1.1(2.72) + 0 = 1.2(0.120) + 1.6 S_{\text{CR}}^{\text{out}}$	$S_{\text{CR}}^{\text{out}} = 1.78$
U: $1.1(18) + 0 = 1.2(1.51) + 1.6 S_{\text{U}}^{\text{out}}$	$S_{\text{U}}^{\text{out}} = 11.2$
P: $1.1(0.77) + 0 = 1.2(0.040) + 1.6 S_{\text{P}}^{\text{out}}$	$S_{\text{P}}^{\text{out}} = 0.50$
K: $1.1(5.77) + 0 = 1.2(0.120) + 1.6 S_{\text{K}}^{\text{out}}$	$S_{\text{K}}^{\text{out}} = 3.8$
Na: $1.1(13.0) + 0 = 1.2(3.21) + 1.6 S_{\text{Na}}^{\text{out}}$	$S_{\text{Na}}^{\text{out}} = 6.53$

Questions

1. Answer the following questions true or false:
 - a. The most difficult part of solving material balance problems is the collection and formulation of the data specifying the compositions of the streams into and out of the system, and of the material inside the system.
 - b. All open processes involving two components with three streams involve zero degrees of freedom.
 - c. An unsteady-state process problem can be analyzed and solved as a steady-state process problem.
 - d. If a flow rate is given in kg/min, you should convert it to kgmol/min.
2. Under what circumstances do equations or specifications become redundant?

Answers:

1. (a) T; (b) F; (c) T; (d) F
2. When they are not independent.

Problems

1. A cellulose solution contains 5.2% cellulose by weight in water. How many kilograms of 1.2% solution are required to dilute 100 kg of the 5.2% solution to 4.2%?
2. A cereal product containing 55% water is made at the rate of 500 kg/hr. You need to dry the product so that it contains only 30% water. How much water has to be evaporated per hour?
3. If 100 g of Na_2SO_4 is dissolved in 200 g of H_2O and the solution is cooled until 100 g of $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$ crystallizes out; find (a) the composition of the remaining solution (the mother liquor) and (b) the grams of crystals recovered per 100 g of initial solution.
4. Salt in crude oil must be removed before the oil undergoes processing in a refinery. The crude oil is fed to a washing unit where fresh water is fed to the unit, mixes with the oil and dissolves a portion of the salt contained in the oil. The oil (containing some salt but no water), being less dense than the water, can be removed at the top of the washer. If the “spent” wash water contains 15% salt and the crude oil contains 5% salt, determine the concentration of salt in the “washed” oil product if the ratio of crude oil (with salt) to water used is 4:1.

Answers:

1. 33.3 kg
2. 178kg/hr
3. (a) 28% Na₂SO₄ ; (b)33.3
4. Salt: 0.00617; Oil:0.99393

Supplementary Problems (ChapterEight):

Problem1

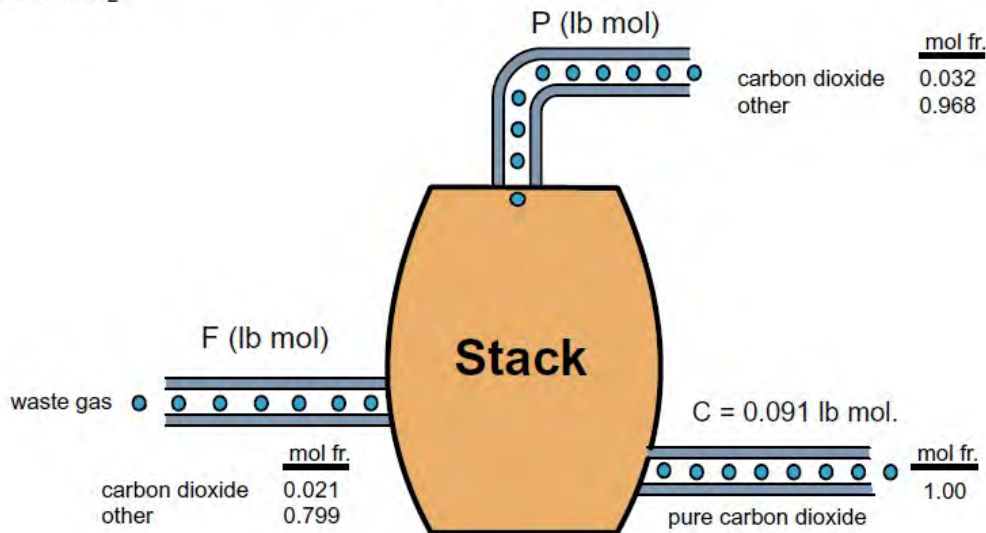
You are asked to measure the rate at which waste gases are being discharged from a stack. The gases entering contain 2.1 % carbon dioxide. Pure carbon dioxide is introduced into the bottom of the stack at a measured rate of 4.0 lb per minute. You measure the discharge of gases leaving the stack, and find the concentration of carbon dioxide is 3.2 %. Calculate the rate of flow, in lb mol/minute, of the entering waste gases.

Solution

A convenient basis to use is 1 minute of operation, equivalent to 0.091 lb mol of pure CO₂ feed.

This is a steady state problem without reaction.

$$\frac{4 \text{ lb CO}_2}{44 \text{ lb CO}_2} \times \frac{1 \text{ lb mol CO}_2}{1 \text{ lb mol CO}_2} = 0.091 \text{ lb mol CO}_2$$



The unknowns are F and P (all compositions are known).

$$\text{CO}_2 \text{ balance : } 0.021 F + 0.091 = 0.032 P \quad (1)$$

$$\text{waste gas balance: } 0.979 F = 0.968 P \quad (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2) $P = 8.10 \text{ lb mol/min}$

$F = 8.01 \text{ lb mol/min}$

To check above values, substitute them in the total balance

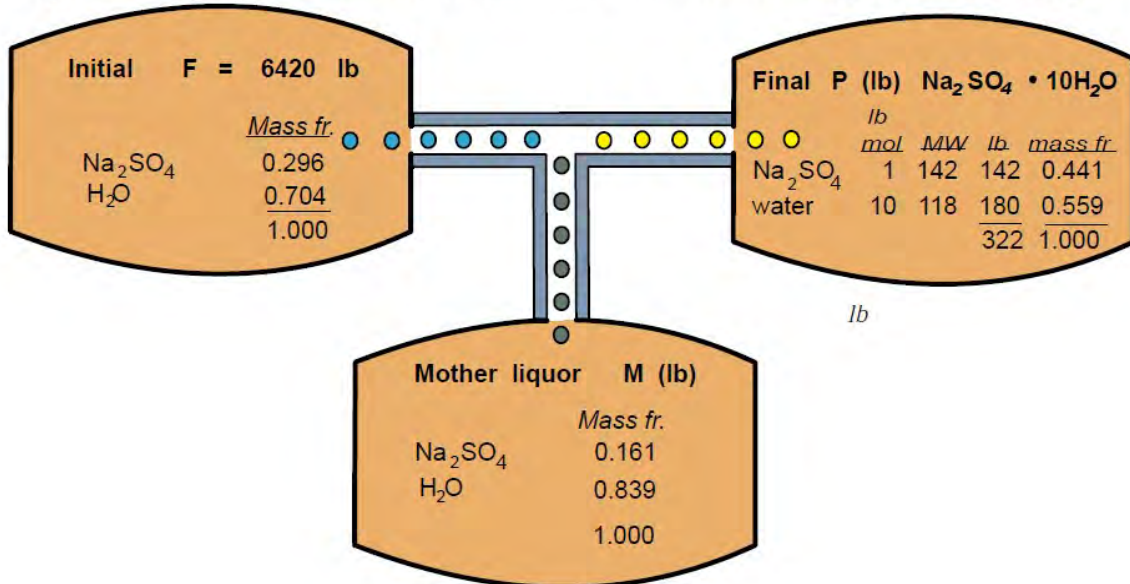
$$F + 0.091 = 8.00 = P = 8.00$$

Problem2

A crystallizer contains 6420 lb of aqueous solution of anhydrous sodium sulfate (concentration 29.6 wt %) at 104 °C. The solution is cooled to 20 °C to crystallize out the desired $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 10 \text{H}_2\text{O}$. The remaining solution (the mother liquor) is found to contain 16.1 % anhydrous sodium sulfate. What is the weight of this mother liquor.

Solution

This problem will be analyzed as unsteady state problem although it could be treated as a steady state problem with flows. The concentrations have to be calculated for some consistent components. Na_2SO_4 and H_2O are the easiest to use here rather than $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and H_2O .



Basis : 6420 lb of 29.6 wt% Na_2SO_4 solution

We need 2 independent balances, and will pick the total balance plus the Na_2SO_4 balance.

Accumulation	=	In	-	out	
Total:	$P - F$	0	-	M	(1)
Na_2SO_4 :	$0.441P - 0.296F$	0	-	0.161M	(2)

from (1) $P = 6240 - M$
 Substituting in (2) $0.441(6240 - M) - 6240(0.296) = -0.161M$

$M = 3330 \text{ lb}$ $P = 3100 \text{ lb}$

Use H_2O balance as a check

H_2O balance : $0.704F = 0.551P + 0.839M$
 $0.704(6420) = 4520 \text{ lb}$ $0.551(3100) + 0.839(3330) = 4500 \text{ lb}$

Chapter 11

Material Balance Problems Involving MultipleUnits

- A **process flowsheet (flowchart)** is a graphical representation of a process. A flowsheet describes the **actual process** in sufficient detail that you can use it to formulate material (and energy) balances.

Figure 11.1a illustrates a serial combination of mixing and splitting stages. In a **mixer**, two or more entering streams of different compositions are combined. In a **splitter**, two or more streams exit, all of which have the **same composition**. In a **separator**, the exits streams can be of **different compositions**.

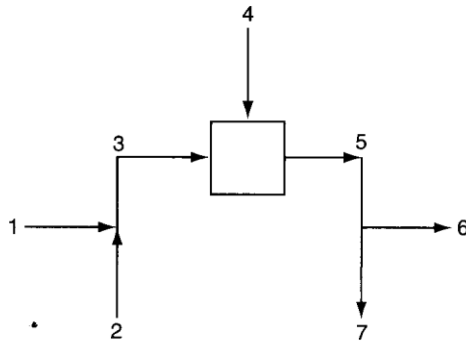


Figure 11.1a serial mixing and splitting in a system without reaction. Streams 1 plus 2 mix to form Stream 3, and Stream 5 is split into Streams 6 and 7.

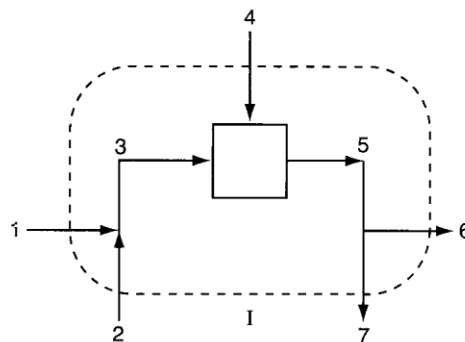


Figure 11.1b the dashed line I designates the boundary for overall material balances made on the process in Figure 11.1a.

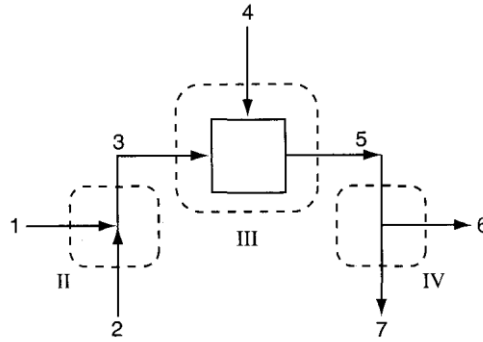


Figure 11.1c Dashed lines II, III and IV designate the boundaries for material balances around each of the individual units comprising the overall process.

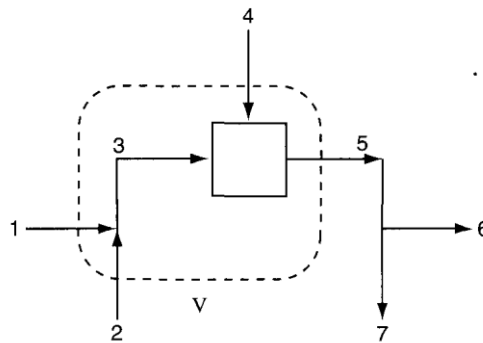


Figure 11.1d the dashed line V designates the boundary for material balances around a system comprised of the mixing point plus the unit portrayed by the box.

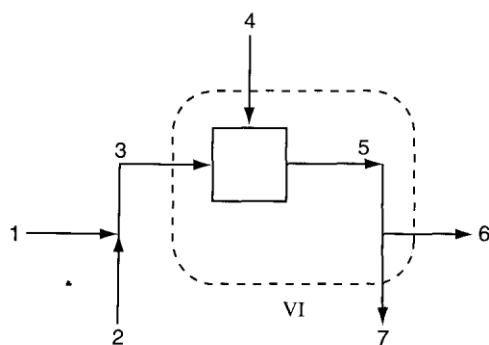


Figure 11.1e the dashed line VI designates the boundary for material balances about a system comprised of the unit portrayed by the box plus the splitter.

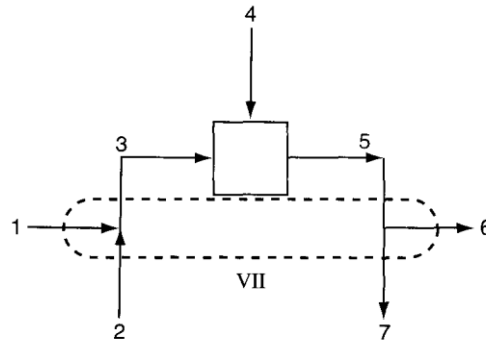


Figure 11.1 If the dashed line VII designates the boundary for material balances about a system comprised of the mixer plus the splitter.

Example 11.1

Acetone is used in the manufacture of many chemicals and also as a solvent. In its latter role, many restrictions are placed on the release of acetone vapor to the environment. You are asked to design an acetone recovery system having the flow sheet illustrated in Figure E11.1. All the concentrations shown in E11.1 of both the gases and liquids are specified in weight percent in this special case to make the calculations simpler. Calculate, A, F, W, B, and D per hour. $G = 1400 \text{ kg/hr}$.

Solution

This is an **open, steady-state process** without reaction. **Three subsystems** exist.

Pick 1 hr as a basis so that $G = 1400 \text{ kg}$.

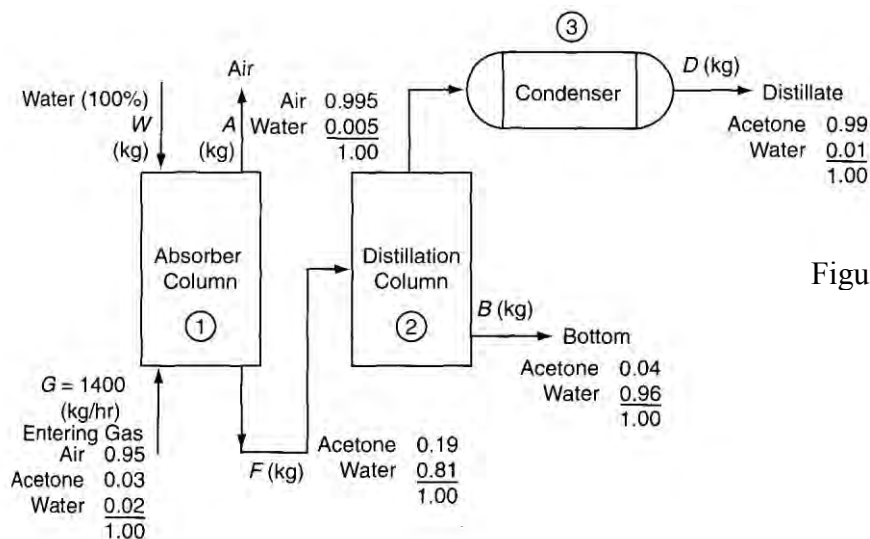


Figure E11.1

The mass balances for **Unit 1 (AbsorberColumn)**

	<i>In</i>	=	<i>Out</i>	
Air:	1400 (0.95)	=	A(0.995)	(a)
Acetone:	1400 (0.03)	=	F(0.19)	(b)
Water:	1400 (0.02) + W(1.00)	=	F(0.81) + A(0.005)	(c)

Solve Equations (a), (b), and (c) to get $A = 1336.7$ kg/hr, $F = 221.05$ kg/hr and $W = 157.7$ kg/hr
(Check) Use the total balance (AbsorberColumn).

$$\begin{array}{r}
 G + W = A + F \\
 1400 \quad 1336 \\
 \underline{157.7} \quad \underline{221.05} \\
 1557.7 \cong 1557.1
 \end{array}$$

The mass balances for the combined **Units 2 plus 3 (Distillation & Condenser)**are:

Acetone:	221.05(0.19) = D(0.99) + B(0.04)	(d)
Water:	221.05(0.81) = D(0.01) + B(0.96)	(e)

Solve Equations (d) and (e) simultaneously to get $D = 34.90$ kg/hr and $B = 186.1$ kg/hr
(Check) Use the total balance (Distillation &Condenser)

$$F = D + B \text{ or } 221.05 \cong 34.90 + 186.1 = 221.0$$

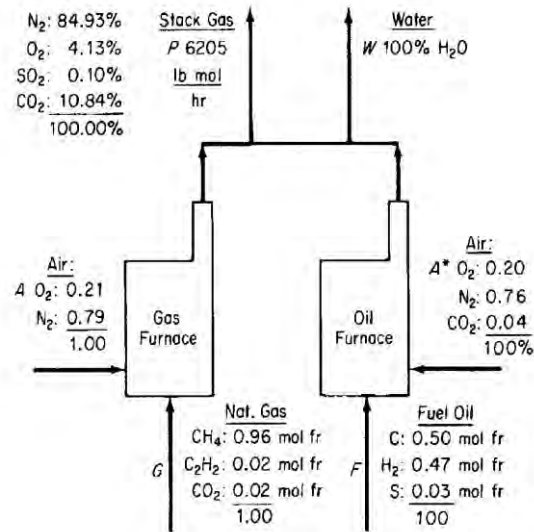
Note

As a matter of interest, what other mass balances could be written for the system and substituted for any one of the Equations (a) through (e)? Typical balances would be **the overallbalances**

	<i>In</i>	=	<i>Out</i>	
Air:	$G (0.95)$	=	$A(0.995)$	(f)
Acetone:	$G(0.03)$	=	$D(0.99) + B(0.04)$	(g)
Water:	$G (0.02) + W$	=	$A(0.005) + D(0.01) + B(0.96)$	(h)
Total	$G + W$	=	$A + D + B$	(i)

Example11.2

In the face of higher fuel costs and the uncertainty of the supply of a particular fuel, many companies operate two furnaces, one fired with natural gas and the other with fuel oil. The gas furnace uses air while the oil furnace uses an oxidation stream that analyzes: O₂, 20%; N₂, 76%; and CO₂, 4%. The stack gases go up a common stack, See FigureE11.2.



FigureE11.2

The reserve of fuel oil was only 560 bbl. How many hours could the company operate before shutting down if no additional fuel oil was attainable? How many lbmol/hr of natural gas were being consumed? The minimum heating load for the company when translated into the stack gas output was 6205 lbmol/hr of dry stack gas. The molecular weight of the fuel oil was 7.91 lb/lbmol, and its density was 7.578 lb/gal.

Solution

This is an **open, steady-state process with reaction**. Two **subsystems** exist.

Basis: 1 hr, so that P = 6205 lbmol

The **overall balances** for the **elements** are (in poundmoles)

	In	=	Out
2H:	$G(1.94) + F(0.47)$	=	$W(1)$
2N:	$A(0.79) + A^*(0.76)$	=	$6205(0.8493)$
2O:	$A(0.21) + A^*(0.20 + 0.04) + G(0.02)$	=	$6205(0.0413 + 0.001 + 0.1084) + W(\frac{1}{2})$
S:	$F(0.03)$	=	$6205(0.0010)$
C:	$G(0.96) + (2)(0.02) + 0.02 + F(0.50) + 0.04A^*$	=	$6205(0.1084)$

Solve the **S balance for F**; the sulfur is a **tie component**. Then solve for the other four balances simultaneously for G. The results are:

$$F = 207 \text{ lbmol/hr and } G = 499 \text{ lbmol/hr}$$

Finally, the fuel oil consumption is

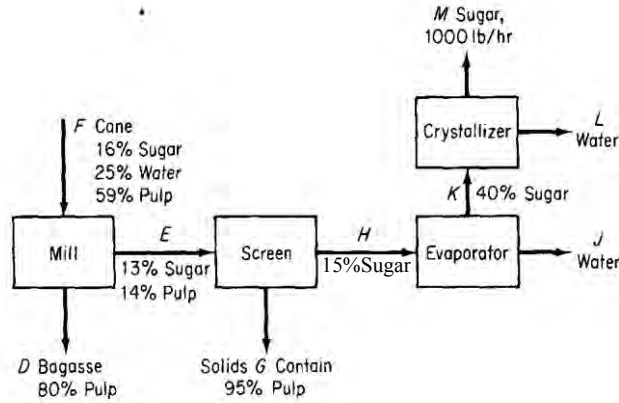
$$\frac{207 \text{ lb mol}}{\text{hr}} \left| \frac{7.91 \text{ lb}}{\text{lb mol}} \right| \left| \frac{\text{gal}}{7.578 \text{ lb}} \right| \left| \frac{\text{bbl}}{42 \text{ gal}} \right| = 5.14 \text{ bbl/hr}$$

If the fuel oil reserves were only 560 bbl,

$$\frac{560 \text{ bbl}}{5.14 \frac{\text{bbl}}{\text{hr}}} = 109 \text{ hr}$$

Example11.3

Figure E11.3 shows the process and the known data. You are asked to calculate the composition of every flow stream, and the fraction of the sugar in the cane that is recovered.



FigureE11.3

(Bagasse) dry pulpy residue left after the extraction of juice from sugar cane

Solution

Basis: 1 hour (M=1000lb)

Let S = sugar, P = pulp, and W =water.

For the crystallizer the equations are (using $\omega_W^K = 1 - 0.40 = 0.60$)

Sugar: $K(0.40) = L(0) + 1000$

Water: $K(0.60) = L + 0$

From which you get $K = 2500$ lb and $L = 1500$ lb.

Check using the total flows: $2500 = 1500 + 1000 = 2500$

Using same method for solution: **evaporator**, **screen**, and lastly solve the equations for the **mill**.

The results for all of the variables are:

<i>lb</i>	<i>mass fraction</i>
$D = 16,755$	$\omega_S^D = 0.174$
$E = 7,819$	$\omega_W^D = 0.026$
$F = 24,574$	$\omega_W^E = 0.73$
$G = 1,152$	$\omega_S^G = 0.014$
$H = 6,667$	$\omega_W^G = 0.036$
$J = 4,167$	$\omega_W^H = 0.85$
$K = 2,500$	$\omega_W^K = 0.60$
$L = 1,500$	
$M = 1000$	

The fraction of sugar recovered = [product (sugar) / in(sugar)]
 = $[1000 / (24,574) * (0.16)] = 0.25$

Problems

1. A two-stage separations unit is shown in Figure SAT11P1. Given that the input stream F1 is 1000 lb/hr, calculate the value of F2 and the composition of F2.

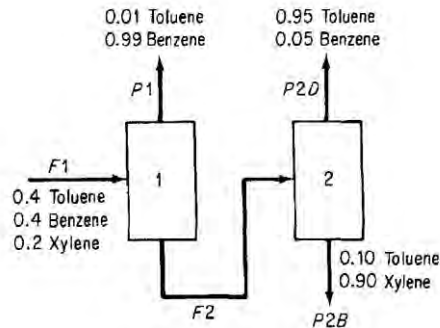


Figure SAT11P1

2. A simplified process for the production of SO₃ to be used in the manufacture of sulfuric acid is illustrated in Figure SAT11P2. Sulfur is burned with 100% excess air in the burner, but for the reaction $S + O_2 \rightarrow SO_2$, only 90% conversion of the S to SO₂ is achieved in the burner. In the converter, the conversion of SO₂ to SO₃ is 95% complete. Calculate the kg of air required per 100 kg of sulfur burned, and the concentrations of the components in the exit gases from the burner and from the converter in mole fractions.

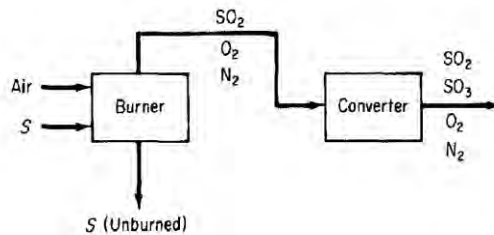
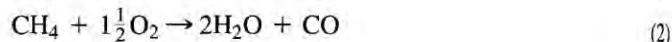
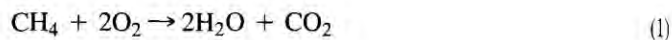


Figure SAT11P2

3. In the process for the production of pure acetylene, C₂H₂ (see Figure SAT11P3), pure methane (CH₄), and pure oxygen are combined in the burner, where the following reactions occur:



- Calculate the ratio of the moles of O₂ to moles of CH₄ fed to the burner.
- On the basis of 100 lb mol of gases leaving the condenser, calculate how many pounds of water are removed by the condenser.
- What is the overall percentage yield of product (pure) C₂H₂, based on the carbon in the natural gas entering the burner?

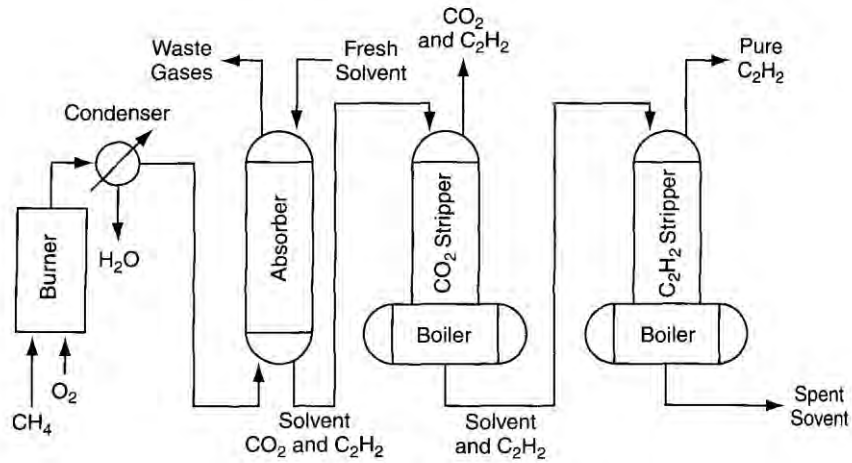


Figure SAT11P3

The gases from the burner are cooled in the condenser that removes all of the water. The analysis of the gases leaving the condenser is as follows:

	Mol %
C ₂ H ₂	8.5
H ₂	25.5
CO	58.3
CO ₂	3.7
CH ₄	4.0
Total	100.0

These gases are sent to an absorber where 97% of the C₂H₂ and essentially all the CO₂ are removed with the solvent. The solvent from the absorber is sent to the CO₂ stripper, where all the CO₂ is removed. The analysis of the gas stream leaving the top of the CO₂ stripper is as follows:

	Mol %
C ₂ H ₂	7.5
CO ₂	92.5
Total	100.0

The solvent from the CO₂ stripper is pumped to the C₂H₂ stripper, which removes all the C₂H₂ as a pure product.

Answers:

1. Assume that the compositions in the figure are mass fractions. Then:

	lb	mass fraction
Toluene	396	0.644
Benzene	19.68	0.032
Xylene	200	0.325

2. 863 lb air/lbS

	Converter	Burner
SO ₂	0.5%	9.5%
SO ₃	9.4	—
O ₂	7.4	11.5
N ₂	82.7	79.0

3. (a) 1.14; (b) 2240 lb; (c)9.9%

Supplementary Problems (ChapterEleven):

Problem1

A triple effect evaporator is designed to reduce water from an incoming brine (NaCl + H₂O) stream from 25 wt % to 3 wt %. If the evaporator unit is to produce 14,670 lb/hr of NaCl (along with 3 wt % H₂O), determine:

- the feed rate of brine in lb/hr.
- the water removed from the brine in each evaporator.

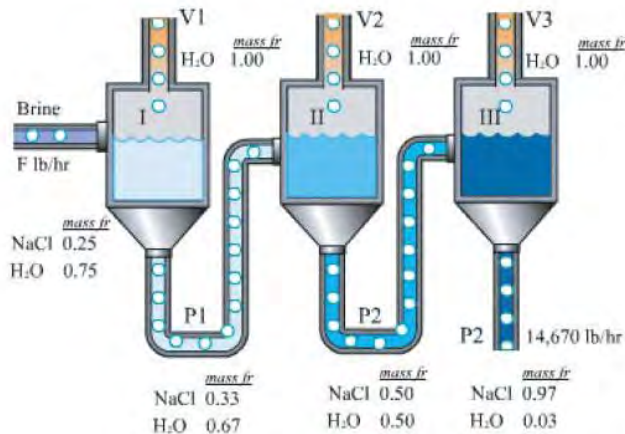
The data are shown in the accompanying figure.

Solution

This is a steady state problem. The data has been placed on the figure.

Basis: 14,670 lb = 1 hr

There are 6 unknown stream flows: F, V₁, V₂, V₃, P₁, and P₂.



Overall balances

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total balance :} & \quad F = V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + 14,670 & (1) \\ \text{Salt balance :} & \quad 0.25 F = 0.97 (14,670) & (2) \end{aligned}$$

Evaporator I

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total balance :} & \quad F = V_1 + P_1 & (3) \\ \text{Salt balance :} & \quad 0.25 F = 0.33 P_1 & (4) \end{aligned}$$

Evaporator II

Total balance : $P_1 = V_2 + P_2$ (5)

Salt balance : $0.33 P_1 = 0.50 P_2$ (6)

Evaporator III

Total balance : $P_2 = V_3 + 14,670$ (7)

Salt balance : $0.50 P_2 = 0.97 (14,670)$ (8)

By starting the solution with equation (2), the equations become uncoupled.

F = 56,900 lb/hr

From equation (4) $0.25 (56,900) = 0.33 P_1$
 $P_1 = 43,100 \text{ lb/hr}$

From equation (3) **$V_1 = 13,800 \text{ lb/hr}$**

From equations (5) and (6) $P_2 = 28,460 \text{ lb/hr}$; **$V_2 = 14,700 \text{ lb/hr}$**

From equation (1) $56,900 = 13,800 + 14,700 + V_3 + 14,670$
 $V_3 = 13,800 \text{ lb/hr}$

Equations (7) and (8) can be used to check the results.

Equation (7) $P_2 = V_3 + P_3$
 $28,460 \cong 13,800 + 14,670 = 28,470$

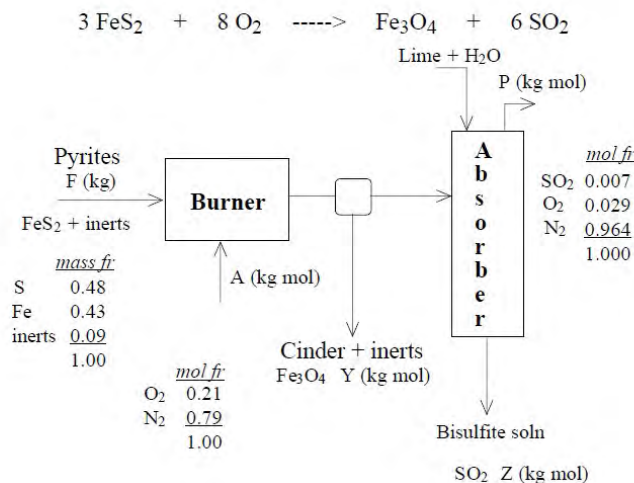
Equation (8) $0.5 P_2 = 0.97 P_3$
 $0.5 (28,460) = 0.97 (14,670)$
 $14,230 \text{ lb} = 14,230 \text{ lb}$

Problem2

Plants in Europe sometimes use the mineral pyrites (the desired compound in the pyrites is FeS_2) as a source of SO_2 for the production of sulfite pulping liquor. Pyrite rock containing 48.0 % sulfur is burned completely by flash combustion. All of the iron forms Fe_3O_4 in the cinder (the solid product), and a negligible amount of SO_3 occurs in either the cinder or the product gas. The gas from such a furnace is passed through milk of lime (CaO in water) absorbers to produce bisulfite pulping liquor. The exit gas from the absorber analyzes: SO_2 0.7 %, O_2 2.9 % and N_2 96.4 %.

Calculate the kg of air supplied to the burner per kg of the pyrites burned.
 (MW : S 32; Fe 56; O 16; N 14)

Solution



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Basis : P = 100 kg mol

Step 6 Let F be in kg, A and P in kg mol, Z be the kg mol of SO₂ absorbed in the lime solution, and Y be the moles of Fe₃O₄ in the cinder.

Element balances (in moles)

$$\text{S: } (0.48/32) F = Z + 0.007 (100) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{N}_2 \quad 0.79 A = 0.964 (100) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{O}_2 \quad 0.21 A = Z + 100(0.007 + 0.029) + \frac{Y \text{ mol Fe}_3\text{O}_4 \left| \begin{array}{l} 2 \text{ mol O}_2 \\ 1 \text{ mol Fe}_3\text{O}_4 \end{array} \right.}{1 \text{ mol Fe}_3\text{O}_4} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Fe} \quad (0.43/56) F = \frac{Y \text{ mol Fe}_3\text{O}_4 \left| \begin{array}{l} 3 \text{ mol Fe} \\ 1 \text{ mol Fe}_3\text{O}_4 \end{array} \right.}{1 \text{ mol Fe}_3\text{O}_4} \quad (4)$$

From (2) $A = 122 \text{ kg mol}$ and from (4): $0.00256F = Y$

Substitute Z from equation (1) and Y from equation (4) in terms of F into equation (3) to get

$$0.21 A = (0.015 F - 0.70) + 100 (0.036) + (0.00256F)2$$

Solve for F **F = 1130 kg pyrites**

$Z = 0.015 (1130) - 0.7 = 16.3 \text{ kg mol}; Y = 2.90 \text{ kg mol}$

$$\frac{\text{kg air}}{\text{kg pyrites}} = \frac{122 \text{ kg mol air} \left| \begin{array}{l} 29 \text{ kg air} \\ \text{kg mol air} \end{array} \right.}{1130 \text{ kg pyrites}} = \mathbf{3.1} \frac{\text{kg air}}{\text{kg pyrites}}$$

The flow rates can be checked by applying overall compound balances. The above were mol balances on the elements so the checks will be in moles also.

$$\text{Accumulation} = \text{In} - \text{out} + \text{generation} - \text{consumption} = 0$$

	<u>In</u>	<u>Out</u>	<u>Generation</u>	<u>Consumption</u>	<u>Accumulation</u>
FeS ₂	[(0.91/120)1130]	- 0	+ 0	- [(0.91/120)1130]	= 0
O ₂	0.21 (122)	- 2.9	+ 0	- (2.90) (8)	≈ 0
N ₂	0.79(122)	- 0.964 (100)	+ 0	- 0	= 0
Fe ₃ O ₄	0	- 2.9	+ 2.9	- 0	= 0
SO ₂	0	- (16.3 + 0.7)	+ 17.0	- 0	= 0

Chapter 12

Recycle, Bypass, Purge, and the Industrial Application of Material Balances

12.1 Introduction

- **Recycle** is fed back from a **downstream** unit to an **upstream** unit, as shown in Figure 12.1c. The stream containing the recycled material is known as a **recycle stream**.
- Recycle system is a system that includes one or more recycle streams.
- Because of the relatively **high cost** of industrial feedstocks, when **chemical reactions** are involved in a process, **recycle of unused reactants** to the reactor can offer significant **economic savings** for high-volume processing systems. **Heat recovery** within a processing unit (**energy recycle**) reduces the overall energy consumption of the process.

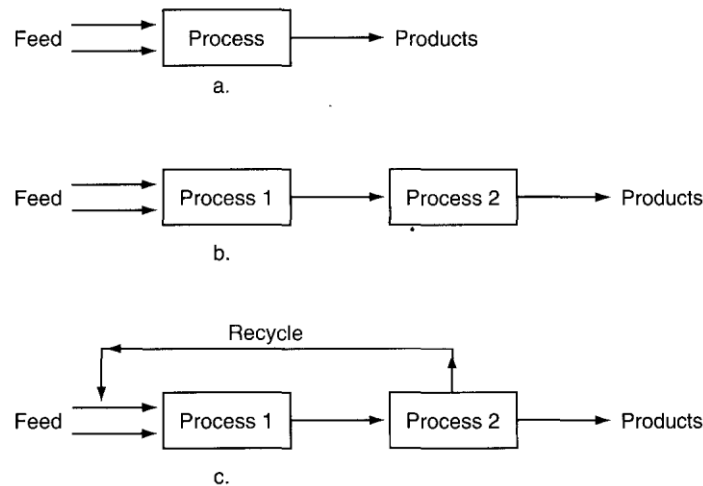


Figure 12.1: Figure 12.1a shows a single unit with serial flows. Figure 12.1b shows multiple units but still with serial flows. Figure 12.1c shows the addition of recycle.

12.2 Recycle without Chemical Reaction

- ❖ **Recycle** of material occurs in a variety of processes that do **not** involve chemical reaction, including **distillation**, **crystallization**, and **heating and refrigeration** systems.
- ❖ Examine Figure 12.2. You can write material balances for several different systems, **four** of which are shown by dashed lines in Figure 12.2 (**Overall balance 1, Mixer balance 2, Process balance 3 & Separator balance 4**).
- ❖ The **fresh feed** enters the overall system and the **overall or net product** is removed.
- ❖ The **total (gross) feed** enters the process and the **gross product** is removed.

- ❖ In addition, you can make balances (not shown in Figure 12.2) about combinations of subsystems, such as the process plus the separator (3 plus 4), or the mixing point plus the process (2 plus 3).

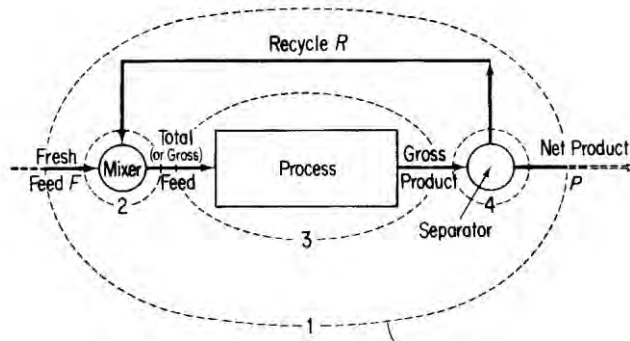


Figure 12.2 Process with recycle (the numbers designate possible system boundaries for the material balances).

Example 12.1

Figure E12.1a is a schematic of a process for the production of flake NaOH, which is used in household to clear plugged drains in the plumbing (e.g., Drano).

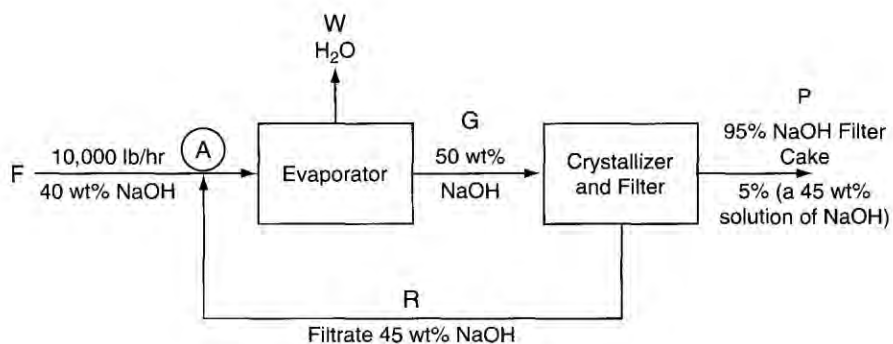


Figure E12.1a

The fresh feed to the process is 10,000 lb/hr of a 40% aqueous NaOH solution. The fresh feed is combined with the recycled filtrate from the crystallizer, and fed to the evaporator where water is removed to produce a 50% NaOH solution, which in turn is fed to the crystallizer. The crystallizer produces a filter cake that is 95% NaOH crystals and 5% solution that itself consists of 45% NaOH. The filtrate contains 45% NaOH.

- You are asked to determine the flow rate of water removed by the evaporator, and the recycle rate for this process.
- Assume that the same production rate of NaOH flakes occurs, but the filtrate is not recycled. What would be the total feed rate of 40% NaOH have to be then? Assume that the product solution from the evaporator still contains 50% NaOH.

Solution

Open, steady-state process.

a. Basis: 10,000 lb fresh feed (equivalent to 1 hour)

The unknowns are W, G, P, and R.

Overall NaOH balance

$$(0.4)(10,000) = 0.95 P + (0.45)(0.05)P$$

$$P = 4113 \text{ lb}$$

Overall H₂O balance

$$(0.6)(10,000) = W + [(0.55)(0.05)](4113)$$

$$W = 5887 \text{ lb}$$

(or use the overall total balance $10,000 = 4113 + W$)

The total amount of NaOH exiting with P is $[(0.95) + (0.45)(0.05)](4113) =$

4000 lb NaOH balance on the crystallizer $0.5 G = 4000 + 0.45R$

H₂O balance on the crystallizer $0.5 G = 113 + 0.55R$

(or use the total balance $G = R + 4113$)

$$R = 38,870 \text{ lb}$$

b. Figure E12.1b.

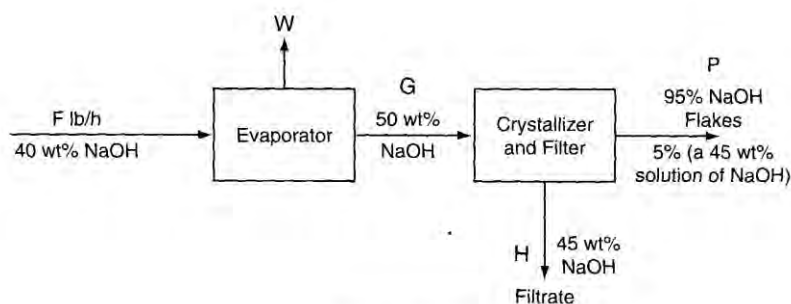


Figure E12.1b

The basis is now P = 4113 lb (the same as 1 hour)

The unknowns are now F, W, G, and H.

NaOH balance on the crystallizer

$$0.5 G = [(0.95) + (0.05)(0.45)](4113) + 0.45H$$

H₂O balance on the crystallizer

$$0.5G = [(0.05)(0.55)(4113)] + 0.55H$$

$$H = 38,870 \text{ lb}$$

Overall NaOH balance

$$0.40 F = 0.45(38,870) + 4000$$

$$F = 53,730 \text{ lb}$$

☒ Note that without recycle, the feed rate must be 5.37 times larger than with recycle to produce the same amount of product.

12.3 Recycle with Chemical Reaction

- ☒ The most common application of recycle for systems involving chemical reaction is the recycle of reactants, an application that is used to increase the overall conversion in a reactor. Figure 12.3 shows a simple example for the reaction

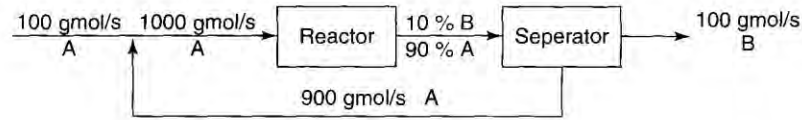


Figure 12.3 A simple recycle system with chemical reaction.

If you calculate the **extent of reaction** for the **overall process** in Figure 12.3 based on **B**

$$\xi_{\text{overall}} = \frac{100 - 0}{1} = 100 \text{ moles reacting}$$

If you use material balances to calculate the **output P** of the **reactor** (on the basis of **1 second**) you get $A = 900 \text{ gmol}$ $B = 100 \text{ gmol}$

And the **extent of reaction based on B** for the **reactor** by itself as the system is

$$\xi_{\text{reactor}} = \frac{100 - 0}{1} = 100 \text{ moles reacting}$$

In general, **the extent of reaction** is the **same** regardless of whether an **overall material balance** is used or a material balance for the **reactor** is used.

- Two types of **conversion** when reactions occur:

1. Overall fraction conversion:

$$\frac{\text{mass(moles) of reactant in the fresh feed} - \text{mass(moles) of reactant in the output of the overall process}}{\text{mass(moles) of reactant in the fresh feed}}$$

2. Single - pass (“once - through”) fraction conversion:

$$\frac{\text{mass(moles) of reactant fed into the reactor} - \text{mass(moles) of reactant exiting the reactor}}{\text{mass(moles) of reactant fed into the reactor}}$$

For the simple recycle reactor in Figure 12.3, **the overall conversion** is