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M.Tech. (First Semester) Regular Examinations, February – 2025

**24MCHPC11002– Advanced Separation Processes
(Chemical)**



Time: 3 hrs

Maximum: 60 Marks

**Answer ALL questions
(The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks)**

PART – A

(2 x 5 = 10 Marks)

Q.1. Answer **ALL** questions

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| a. Define Membrane Casting. Write the common polymeric membrane materials is used for the casting process. | CO1 | K1 |
| b. Differentiate between Homogeneous barrier and Micro porous Barrier. | CO2 | K2 |
| c. List the different types of motion of molecules through barrier. | CO2 | K1 |
| d. Write the transport mechanism, Pressure, Pore size, Molecular weight is maintained for Small solute particles to be separated by Reverse Osmosis. | CO1 | K2 |
| e. Write the transport mechanism, Pressure, Pore size, Molecular weight is maintained for Red blood cells to be separated by Ultrafiltration. | CO2 | K1 |

PART – B

(10 x 5=50 Marks)

Answer **ALL** the questions

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| 2. a. Explain the contribution of various steps to the overall preparation of composite membranes. | 5 | CO1 | K2 |
| b. How to modify the membrane surface, aimed at prevention of contaminant deposition and maintenance of high flux?
(OR) | 5 | CO2 | K2 |
| c. Explain the critical parameters affecting each stage of composite membrane preparation. | 5 | CO2 | K3 |
| d. Enumerate about the detail steps for Phase Inversion Technique for Preparation of Integrally Skinned Asymmetric Membranes. | 5 | CO1 | K2 |
| 3.a. How do the two primary geometries influence the structure and function of synthetic membranes? | 5 | CO2 | K2 |
| b. Enumerate the description of transport process by phenomenological equation.
(OR) | 5 | CO3 | K2 |
| c. What are the key differences and interrelations between the various driving forces in species transport? | 4 | CO3 | K4 |
| d. Describe the working mechanism, design and characteristics of (i) plate and frame module, (ii) hollow fiber module, (iii) spiral wound and (iv) tubular Modules in order to provide maximum membrane area in relatively smaller volume to get maximum permeate flux. | 6 | CO2 | K2 |
| 4.a. Design the solution diffusion model for RO/NF where the solute flux through the membrane is considered in realistic situation. | 4 | CO3 | K4 |
| b. Demonstrate the Modified solution diffusion model for RO/NF. | 6 | CO4 | K5 |

(OR)

- c. Design the Kedem-Katchalsky equation for Ultra Filtration in case of imperfect retention of the solutes by the membrane by a reflection coefficient. 5 CO4 K4
- d. Demonstrate the Modified solution diffusion model for Ultra Filtration. 5 CO3 K5
- 5.a. Consider separation of 10kg/m³ concentration of a protein solution using ultra filtration. Filtration is gel layer controlled, with gel concentration 300 kg/m³. Filtration takes place in a thin channel with equivalent diameter 2 mm and width 4 cm. The cross flow velocity is 0.5 m/s and protein diffusivity is $2 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$. If the filtrate rate is 100 L/day, find the length required of the membrane module. Use the following correlations to estimate mass transfer coefficient: 6 CO4 K4

$$Sh = 1.86 \left(Re Sc \frac{d_e}{L} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \text{ for laminar flow}$$

- b. Explain the fundamental principles of nanofiltration, including the role of membrane structure and selective permeability. 4 CO3 K1

(OR)

- c. Water is flowing through a rectangular channel of half height 1 mm and width 8 cm. The inlet flow rate is 40 L/h. Inlet transmembrane pressure of 500 kPa results in a constant permeate flux of $2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2\text{s}$. The length of the channel is 2m.
(a) Find the axial pressure drop across the module.
(b) What is the transmembrane pressure drop at the module exit? 10 CO3 K4
(c) Find out the fractional recovery of the feed.
(d) What is the flow rate at the channel exit?
(e) For a fractional recovery of 0.92 what is the length of the module is required? What is the axial pressure drop and flow rate at the module exit?
- 6.a. In a steady state, counter current dialyzer of rectangular cross section, urea is removed by pure water as dialysate. Inlet feed concentration is 1500 mg/L. Feed and dialysate flow rates are 18 L/h and 90 L/h, respectively. D_{Urea} in the membrane is $10^{-12} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ and in the bulk is $10^{-10} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$. membrane thickness is 1 micron. Feed and dialysate chambers are identical in shape. Width of each channel is 5 mm and height 5 mm. In the feed side, the urea concentration has to be reduced from 1500 (inlet) to 300 mg/L (outlet). Find the membrane area required. Neglect mass transfer resistances on both sides. 6 CO4 K4
- b. Discuss recent advancements in membrane technology for pervaporation and predict potential future applications in emerging industries 4 CO2 K2

(OR)

- c. Explain the principle of pervaporation and describe how it differs from other membrane separation processes. 5 CO3 K1
- d. Identify the key factors affecting the efficiency of pervaporation, such as membrane selectivity and feed temperature. Analyze how each factor influences the separation performance. 5 CO3 K3

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