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B. Tech (Sixth Semester – Regular/Supplementary) Examinations, April 2025  
**21BCHPC36003/22BCHPC36003 – Chemical Reaction Engineering-II**  
(Chemical Engineering)

Time: 3 hrs

Maximum: 70 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

- |   | CO # | Blooms<br>Level |
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| a. What is the purpose of evaluating the Residence Time Distribution (RTD) in a chemical reactor? | CO1  | K1              |
| b. Compare the advantages of heterogeneous catalysis over homogeneous catalysis.                  | CO2  | K2              |
| c. Explain the function of a catalyst in a chemical reaction.                                     | CO2  | K2              |
| d. Identify the reasons for catalyst deactivation in catalytic reactions.                         | CO1  | K3              |
| e. List two examples of fluid-particle reactions without change in particle size.                 | CO1  | K1              |

**PART – B****(15 x 4 = 60 Marks)**Answer **All** the questions

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| 2. a. Define Dirac-delta function. What is the value of $\int_2^4 \delta(t - 3) t^3 dt$  | 3     | CO1  | K1              |
| b. A pulse of tracer was injected into a reactor and the effluent concentration was measured as a function of time. The resulting data are given in the table below: | 12    | CO2  | K4              |

t, min	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14
C, g/ m <sup>3</sup>	0	1	5	8	10	8	6	4	3	2.2	1.5	0.6	0

Construct C-curve and E-curve and calculate the following:

- Fraction of material leaving the reactor that has spent between 3 and 6 minutes in the reactor
- Mean residence time of the reactor.
- Fraction of material leaving the reactor that has spent 3 min or less in the reactor.

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| c. Calculate the mean residence time and variance of the tracer. A sample of tracer hythane was injected as a pulse to a tracer and the effluent concentration measured as a function of time, resulting the following data: | 10 | CO2 | K4 |
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|---------------------|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|-----|----|
| t, min              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9   | 10  | 12  | 14 |
| C, g/m <sup>3</sup> | 0 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0  |
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| d. Write the advantages and disadvantages of step input method for calculating RTD.   | 5 | CO1 | K2 |
| 3.a. Find the rate expression for coal combustion process $C + O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g)$ assuming first order irreversible reaction | 8 | CO3 | K4 |
| b. Write the steps of mechanism of solid catalysed reaction by showing in a diagram.  | 7 | CO1 | K1 |

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- c. The decomposition of Cumin results Benzene and Propylene in the presence of Pt as catalyst. Write the mechanism steps for non-diffusion-limited reaction. Develop the rate law for the above reaction assuming surface reaction rate controlling. 10 CO2 K3
- d. Describe the mechanisms of surface reaction in solid catalysed reaction. 5 CO3 K3
- 4.a. Derive the expression for the concentration profile inside the porous catalyst considering cylindrical pore and first order reaction 10 CO2 K3
- b. Explain the non-isothermal condition developed during the reaction in a porous catalyst. Write the expression for temperature difference in film and within particle. 5 CO1 K2

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- c. Consider a catalytic reaction  $A \rightarrow 4R$  is studied in PFR using various amount of catalyst and 20 lit/ hr of pure A feed at 3.2 atm and 117 °C. The concentration of A in the effluent stream is recorded for the various work as follows 10 CO2 K4

Run	1	2	3	4
$C_{Ain}$ , mol/lit	0.02	0.04	0.08	0.16
$C_{Aout}$ , mol/lit	0.074	0.060	0.044	0.029

Find the rate equation to represent this reaction using integral method of analysis

- d. Differentiate differential reactor and integral reactors for finding the rates from experimental data of solid catalysed reaction. 5 CO1 K2
- 5.a. What are the different types of models considered for fluid-particle reaction? How will it be selected? 8 CO1 K3
- b. Derive the performance equation relating time with radius and conversion, considering diffusion through gas film control in shrinking core model of unchanging size for spherical particle 7 CO3 K4

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- c. What are the steps of succession during reaction in shrinking core model for spherical particles of unchanging size? 5 CO1 K1
- d. Derive the performance equation relating time with radius and conversion, considering chemical reaction control in shrinking core model of unchanging size for spherical particle 10 CO3 K4

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