

**Gandhi Institute of Engineering and Technology University, Odisha, Gunupur
(GIET University)**



B. Tech (Fourth Semester – Regular/Supplementary) Examinations, April 2026

**23BBTPC24003 - Upstream Process Engineering
(Biotechnology)**

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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Level |
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| a. What is critical thickness of insulation? | CO2 | K1 |
| b. Define LMTD and explain its physical significance in heat transfer operations. | CO3 | K2 |
| c. Difference between laminar and turbulent flow | CO4 | K2 |
| d. Define Flux. Mention the Flux in terms of molar unit and mass Unit. | CO5 | K2 |
| e. Differentiate among Molecular diffusion and eddy diffusion. | CO6 | K1 |

PART – B**(10 x 5 = 50 Marks)**Answer **ALL** the questions

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| 2. a. Derive the energy consumption for size reduction by considering crushing efficiency and mechanical efficiency. | 5 | CO1 | K1 |
| b. Give the classification and stages of size reduction machines. Name four common ways of breaking solids in size reduction machines | 5 | CO1 | K2 |
| (OR) | | | |
| c. Write in brief about the construction and operation of a Ball Mill. Discuss the factors which affect the Grinding efficiency. | 5 | CO1 | K1 |
| d. Write in brief about the construction and operation of a Roll Crusher. Discuss the angle of nip and its relation with Roll diameter, Feed size and Product Size. | 5 | CO1 | K2 |
| 3.a. Derive an expression for One-dimensional steady state Heat conduction through a composite wall. | 5 | CO2 | K3 |
| b. A wall consists of two layers: | 5 | CO2 | K2 |

Layer	Thickness (m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m·K)
Layer 1	0.10	0.8
Layer 2	0.15	0.4

Area = 5 m²

Temperature of inner surface = 200°C

Temperature of outer surface = 50°C

Find the Total heat transfer rate

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| c. Derive an expression for One-dimensional steady state Heat conduction through a composite cylinder. | 5 | CO2 | K1 |
| d. A pipe is insulated with two layers | 5 | CO3 | K3 |
| Given Data, Length = 1 m, Inner surface temperature = 300°C | | | |
| Outer surface temperature = 50°C | | | |

Find heat transfer rate.

Layer	Inner Radius (m)	Outer Radius (m)	k (W/m·K)
Layer 1	0.05	0.08	15
Layer 2	0.08	0.12	0.5

- 4.a. Apply the continuity equation to determine velocity at different sections of a pipe with varying diameter. 5 CO3 K1
- b. Explain the working principle of a Venturimeter with a neat sketch and derive the expression for discharge 5 CO3 K1
- (OR)
- c. Apply Bernoulli's equation to calculate pressure, velocity, or height in a flowing fluid system. 5 CO3 K2
- d. Describe the construction and working of a Pitot tube and derive the velocity measurement equation. 5 CO4 K1
- 5.a. Derive the Flux Equation in case of a Equimolecular counter diffusion in case of Gaseous Mixture. 5 CO4 K1
- b. Compare mass, heat, and momentum transfer and discuss the analogy between them 5 CO5 K2
- (OR)
- c. Derive the Flux Equation in case of a stagnant diffusion in case of Gaseous Mixture 5 CO5 K2
- d. State Fick's Law of diffusion. Mention the importance of Diffusivity. 5 CO4 K2
- 6.a. Define distillation and explain its principle based on relative volatility. 5 CO5 K2
- b. Explain the T-x-y diagram and interpret the significance of bubble point and dew point curves. 5 CO6 K2
- (OR)
- c. Discuss the concept of vapour-liquid equilibrium (VLE) in distillation with suitable explanation. 5 CO5 K2
- d. Explain differential distillation and derive the basic governing equation. 5 CO6 K1

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