

APPENDIX

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APPENDIX - 1

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A.1.1 SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR OBTAINING k_G FROM $K_G a$:

For absorption of ammonia into water in a column packed with 0.025m carbon Raschig rings, ($a_t = 190 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, $\sigma_c = 56 \text{ mN/m}$), under the conditions :-

$T = 26.6^\circ\text{C}$, $L = 0.679 \text{ kg/m}^2\text{s}$, $G = 0.244 \text{ kg/m}^2\text{s}$, the value of $K_G a$ is reported as $2.76 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kmol/m}^3\text{s atm}$. [From Table (5.5 A), observation (1)].

In order to estimate the dimensionless groups like Re, We Fr, etc. the relevant values of physical properties are the following :-

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_L &= 946.6 \text{ kg/m}^3, \quad \mu_L = 0.867 \text{ mNs/m}^2, \quad \sigma = 71.8 \text{ mN/m}, \\ D_L &= 2.43 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}, \quad [\text{From Table (8.2.1 A), observation (1)}].\end{aligned}$$

(i) Estimation of different dimensionless numbers :

Using the above data, the values of various dimensionless numbers work out to be as under :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Re} &= (L/a_t \mu_L) = 4.122 & \text{We} &= (L^2/a_t \rho_L \sigma) = 3.39 \times 10^{-5} \\ \text{Fr} &= (L^2 a_t / \rho_L^2 g) = 8.99 \times 10^{-6} & (\sigma / \sigma_c) &= 1.28 \\ \text{Sc} &= (\mu_L / \rho_L D_L) = 358.\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Estimation of $k_L a$:

The generalised equation (4.2) could be used for obtaining the value of $k_L a$. The values of constants $C, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, m$ and n to be utilised in equation (4.2) are 0.0833, 0.286, 0.22, 0.002, -0.442, -0.5, and -0.333 respectively [From Table (8.1.2), Step (4)]. Therefore :

$$\begin{aligned} k_L a &= 0.0833 [(Re)^{0.286} (We)^{0.22} (Fr)^{0.002} (\sigma / \sigma_c)^{-0.442}] \times \\ &\dots \times [(Sc)^{-0.5} (\rho_L / \mu_{Lg})^{-0.333} a_t] \\ &= 2.3416 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Estimation of H :

For system ammonia - water, the values of the constants A and B to be utilised in equation (4.9) are 4425 and 10.82 respectively. Hence the value of M/P at 299.6°K works out to be as under :

$$\ln(M/P) = (4425/T) - 10.82 = 2.9467.$$

Hence $(M/P) = 51.766 \text{ (g mol/kg of solution)/atm.}$

or $= 51.766 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (kmol/kg of solution)/atm.}$

Since $\rho_L = 996.6 \text{ kg/m}^3$,

Hence $S_w = (M/P) * \rho_L = 51.59 \text{ (k mol/m}^3\text{)/atm.}$

Hence, Henry's law constant for absorption of ammonia into water

$$H = 1/S_w = 0.01938 \text{ atm/(k mol/m}^3\text{)}$$

(iv) Estimation of $k_G a$:

Using the value of $K_G a = 2.767 \times 10^{-2} \text{ k mol/m}^3 \text{ s atm}$ along with

the value of $H = 0.01938 \text{ atm}/(\text{k mol/m}^3)$ and $k_L a = 2.3416 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ in equation (4.1), the value of $k_G a$ turns out to be $= 3.5887 \times 10^{-2} \text{ k mol/m}^3 \text{ s atm}$.

(v) Estimation of a :

For system ammonia - water, the effective interfacial area available for mass transfer is the dynamic area (a_{dy}). Therefore $a = a_{dy} = (a_w - a_{st})$. Hence, to obtain the values of 'a', the values of a_w and a_{st} are required.

(v-a) Estimation of a_w :

For obtaining the values of a_w/a_t , the values of constants, C , α , β , γ and δ to be utilised in equation (4.3) are 1.431, 0.0014, 0.165, 0.002, -0.442 respectively. [From Table (7.1.2), Step (12)].

$$\begin{aligned} a_w/a_t &= 1.431 (\text{Re})^{0.0014} (\text{We})^{0.165} (\text{Fr})^{0.002} (\sigma / \sigma_c)^{-0.442} \\ &= 0.2298. \end{aligned}$$

Since $a_t = 190 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, therefore $a_w = 43.7 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$.

(v-b) Estimation of a_{st} :

The value of static area under otherwise identical conditions are obtained by using the following generalised correlation [Table (7.4.3, Step (5))].

$$a_{st}/a_t = 0.1605 (\text{Re})^{0.1726} (\text{Fr}/\text{We})^{0.5} (\sigma / \sigma_c)^{-0.725} = 0.0881$$

since $a_t = 190 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, therefore $a_{st} = 16.7 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$. Thus, the area available for mass transfer, $a = a_w - a_{st} = 27 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$.

(vi) Estimation of k_G :

Using the estimated values of $k_G a$ and 'a' as 3.5877×10^{-2} $\text{k mol/m}^3 \text{s atm}$ (step iv) and $27 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$ (step v-b) respectively, the value of k_G works out to be $1.33 \times 10^{-3} \text{ k mol/m}^2 \text{s atm}$. Thus with the help of $K_G a$ data reported in Table (5.5 A) using the above mentioned "six steps procedure", the values of k_G have been estimated and are reported in Table (8.2.1 B).

A.1.2 SAMPLE CALCULATION FOR OBTAINING $k'_L a$ FROM $K_G a$ FOR ABSORPTION WITH CHEMICAL REACTION. (CO_2 - NaOH) :

For absorption of CO_2 into aqueous NaOH solutions, in a column packed with 0.0095 m ceramic Raschig rings, ($a_t = 470 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, $\sigma_c = 61 \text{ mN/m}$), under the conditions :-
 $T = 31^\circ\text{C}$, $L = 2.79 \text{ kg/m}^2 \text{s}$ and $G = 0.3831 \text{ kg/m}^2 \text{s}$, the value of overall gas side mass transfer coefficient ($K_G a$) for absorption with chemical reaction, is $15.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ k mol/m}^3 \text{s atm}$. [From Table (5.7) observation (1)].

For estimation of dimensionless groups like, Re, We, Sc etc the relevant physical properties are the following :

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_L &= 1061 \text{ kg/m}^3, & \mu_L &= 1.189 \text{ mNs/m}^2 & \sigma &= 72.7 \text{ mN/m}, \\ D_L &= 1.161 \text{ kg/m}^3, & \mu_G &= 1.856 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mNs/m}^2 & \text{and} \\ D_G &= 1.6005 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}. & & & \text{[From Table (8.4.1 A)]}. \end{aligned}$$

(i) Estimation of various dimensionless numbers :

Using the above data the values of various numbers, work out to be:-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re} &= (L/a_t \mu_L) = 4.9925 & \text{We} &= (L^2/a_t \rho_L \sigma) = 2.147 \times 10^{-4} \\ \text{Fr} &= (L^2 a_t / \rho_L^2 g) = 3.316 \times 10^{-4} & (\sigma / \sigma_c) &= 1.1918 \\ \text{Re}_G &= (G/a_t \mu_G) = 43.91, & \text{Sc}_G &= (\mu_g / \rho_G D_G) = 0.768. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Estimation of a_c :

Since for the system under consideration the gas absorption is accompanied by a chemical reaction following a second order kinetics, the area available for gas absorption should be evaluated by using equation (4.3) where the constants C , α , β , γ and δ are 0.455, 0.227, 0.058, 0.002, -1.104 respectively. [From Table (7.3.2) Step (10)].

$$\begin{aligned} a_c/a_t &= 0.455 \text{Re}^{0.227} \text{We}^{0.058} \text{Fr}^{0.002} (\sigma/\sigma_c)^{-1.104} \\ &= 0.3255 \end{aligned}$$

Since $a_t = 470 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, therefore $a_c = 153.0 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$.

(iii) Estimation of k_G :

The values of constants C , α , m and n for obtaining k_G using equation (4.6) are 1.75, 0.7, 0.4125 and -0.9 respectively [From Table (8.2.3), Step (3)]

$$\begin{aligned} k_G &= 1.75 \text{Re}_G^{0.7} \text{Sc}_G^{0.4125} (a_t d_p)^{-0.9} (RT/a_t D_G)^{-1} \\ &= 1.939 \times 10^{-3} \text{ k mol/m}^2 \text{ s atm}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $a_c = 153 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, the value of $k_G a$ works out to be 0.2966 $\text{k mol/m}^3 \text{ s atm}$.

(iv) Estimation of H :

Inlet concentration of NaOH = 1.8 k mol/m^3 , assuming 20% change in concentration during the operation, the average concentration turns out to be $(1.8 + 1.44)/2 = 1.62 \text{ k mol/m}^3$. The average concentration of $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 = (0 + 0.18)/2 = 0.09 \text{ k mol/m}^3$.

Barret's values of salting coefficients for ions and CO_2 at 31°C are [Data from Ref. (147)] :-

$$h_{\text{Na}^+} = 0.091, h_{\text{OH}^-} = 0.066, h_{\text{CO}_3^{2-}} = 0.021 \text{ and } h_{\text{CO}_2} = 0.0218$$

Since $h = h_+ + h_- + h_G$. Therefore for NaOH the value of h_1 turns out to be :- $h_1 = 0.091 + 0.066 - 0.0218 = 0.1352 \text{ m}^3/\text{k mol}$.

$$\text{and } I_1 = 0.5 \sum c_i Z_i^2 = 1.62 \text{ k ion/m}^3.$$

Similarly for Na_2CO_3 , $h_2 = 0.0902$ and $I_2 = 0.27 \text{ kion/m}^3$. substituting the values of h_1 , I_1 , etc in equation (4.10), the value of H'/H works out as under :

$$\begin{aligned} \log (H'/H) &= h_1 I_1 + h_2 I_2 = (0.1352 \times 1.62) + (0.0902 \times 0.27) \\ &= 0.2434 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(H'/H) = 1.75317$.

The value of constants A and B for system CO_2 - water to be utilised in equation (4.7) for obtaining S_w are 1140 and 5.3 respectively.

$$\text{Thus } \log (S_w) = (1140/T) - 5.3,$$

$$\text{Hence } S_w = 0.02818 (\text{k mol/m}^3)/\text{atm}$$

Hence, using equation (4.8) the value of H works out as 35.48 atm/(k mol/m³). Therefore, the value of Henry's law constant for electrolyte solutions H' turns out to be 62.17 atm/(k mol/m³).

(v) Estimation of $k_L'a$:

Using the estimated values of $K_Ga = 0.2966$ k mol/m³s atm step (iii), $H' = 62.17$ atm/(k mol/m³) step (iv), the value of $k_L'a$ using equation (4.5) works out as 1.0237 s⁻¹. Thus, with the help of K_Ga data reported in Table (5.7 A) using the above mentioned 'five-step procedure', the values of $k_L'a$ have been estimated and are reported in Table (8.4.1. B).

A.1.3 SAMPLE CALCULATION FOR OBTAINING $k_L'a$ FROM K_Ga FOR ABSORPTION WITH CHEMICAL REACTION (CO₂ - DEA System).

For absorption of CO₂ into aqueous Diethanolamine solutions in a column packed with 0.019 m stoneware Raschig rings, ($a_t = 242$ m²/m³, $\sigma_c = 61$ mN/m), under the conditions :-

$T = 24^\circ\text{C}$, $L = 1.329$ kg/m²s, $G = 0.229$ kg/m²s, the value of overall gas side mass transfer coefficient (K_Ga) for absorption with chemical reaction, is $K_Ga = 1.335 \times 10^{-2}$ k mol/m³s atm. [From Table (5.7) observation (112)].

For the estimation of dimensionless groups like Re, We, Sc etc., the relevant values of physical properties are the following :

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_L &= 1010 \text{ kg/m}^3, & \mu_L &= 1.288 \text{ mNs/m}^2, \\ \sigma &= 60.2 \text{ mN/m}, & D_L &= 1.276 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}, & \rho_G &= 1.188 \text{ kg/m}^3 \\ \mu_G &= 1.827 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mNs/m}^2, & D_G &= 1.5993 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}. \end{aligned}$$

[from Table (8.4.1 A), data (112)].

(i) Estimation of various dimensionless numbers :

Using the above data the values of various numbers work out be as under :-

$$\begin{aligned} Re &= (L/a_t \mu_L) = 4.2637 & We &= (L^2/a_t \rho_L \sigma) = 1.2 \times 10^{-4} \\ Fr &= (L^2 a_t / \rho_L^2 g) = 4.275 \times 10^{-5} & (\sigma / \sigma_c) &= 0.987 \\ Re_G &= (G/a_t \mu_G) = 51.79 & Sc_G &= (\mu_G / \rho_G D_G) = 0.9616 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Estimation of a_c :

Since for the system under consideration gas absorption is accompanied by a chemical reaction following third order kinetics the area available for mass transfer during chemical absorption should be estimated by using equation (4.3) where constants C, α, β, γ and δ are 0.455, 0.227, 0.058, 0.002 and -1.104 respectively. [From Table (7.3.2), Step (10)].

$$a_c/a_t = 0.455 Re^{0.227} We^{0.058} Fr^{0.002} (\sigma / \sigma_c)^{-1.104} = 0.3727$$

Since $a_t = 242 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, hence $a_c = 90.19 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$.

(iii) Estimation of k_G :

The value of constants C, α, m , and n for obtaining k_G using equation (4.6) are 1.75, 0.7, 0.4125 and -0.9 respectively. [From Table (8.2.3), Step (3)].

$$\begin{aligned} k_G &= 1.75 Re_G^{0.7} Sc_g^{0.4125} (a_t D_P)^{-0.9} (RT/a_t D_G)^{-1} \\ &= 1.0987 \times 10^{-3} \text{ k mol/m}^2 \text{ s atm.} \end{aligned}$$

Since $a_c = 90.2 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, the value of $k_G a$ works out to be .0991 $\text{k mol/m}^3 \text{ s atm.}$

(iv) Estimation of Henry's Law constant for electrolyte solution H'

DEA is a non electrolyte. In order to estimate values H' for CO_2 -DEA system, it could be assumed that the solubility of gas in liquid would be reduced to the same extent by DEA as by solution of ammonium bicarbonate with the same total Nitrogen content.

The concentration of DEA Solution = 0.99 k mol/m^3 .

Inlet conversion of DEA = 28 %.

Exit conversion of DEA = 45 %.

Average conversion of DEA = 36.5 %.

Hence mean concentration of carbamate

= 0.5 (avg. conversion of DEA) (DEA)

= $0.5 (0.365) (0.99) = 0.1806 \text{ kion/m}^3$

Onda's values of salting coefficients for ions and CO_2 at 24°C are:- $h_{\text{NH}_4^+} = -0.0737$, $h_{\text{HCO}_3^-} = 0.4286$, $h_{\text{G}} = -0.22715$

[Data for Ref (148)]. Thus, $h = (h_+ + h_- + h_{\text{G}}) = 0.12775$.

Therefore $2 \times h = 0.2555$ and $I_1 = 0.1806 \text{ kion/m}^3$.

Substituting the values of h_1 , I_1 etc in equation (4.10) the value of H'/H works out as

$$\log (H'/H) = h_1 I_1 = 0.0464. \text{ Therefore } H'/H = 1.112$$

In order to calculate H , initially the values of S_w are obtained utilising equation (4.7). The values of constants A and B in equation (4.7) for CO_2 -water system are 1140 and 5.3 respectively.

Therefore, $\log S_w = (1140/T) - 5.3$.

Hence $S_w = 0.034545 (\text{k mol/m}^3)/\text{atm}$.

Using equation (4.8) the value of H works out as

$28.947 \text{ atm}/(\text{k mol})/\text{m}^3$); therefore the value of H' turns out to be $32.19 \text{ atm}(\text{k mol}/\text{m}^3)$.

(v) Estimation of $K_L'a$:

Using the estimated values of $K_G a = 0.0991 \text{ k mol}/\text{m}^3 \text{ s atm}$ (step iii), and $H' = 32.19 \text{ atm}/(\text{k mol}/\text{m}^3)$, (step iv), the value of $K_L'a$ using equation (4.5) works out as 0.4356 s^{-1} . Thus, with the help of $K_G a$ data reported in Table (5.7 A) using the above mentioned 'five step procedure' the values of $K_L'a$ have been estimated and reported in Table (8.4.1 B)-observations (112-120).

A.1.4 SAMPLE CALCULATION FOR ESTIMATING H.E.T.P. :

For Ethylbenzene - Styrene distillation in a column packed with 0.15 m steel Raschig rings ($a_t = 330 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, $\sigma_c = 75 \text{ mN/m}$) with $L = 0.938 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^2 \text{ s}$ and $G = 0.932 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^2 \text{ s}$, the value of HETP is 0.271 m. The values of other relevant physical properties and parameters are as under :-

$$\begin{aligned} P &= 0.131 \text{ atm a, } T = 73.3 \text{ }^\circ\text{C, } \sigma = 25.9 \text{ mN}/\text{m}^2, \lambda = 0.933, \\ \rho_L &= 822.9 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^3, \mu_L = 0.39 \text{ mNs}/\text{m}^2, \\ D_L &= 3.569 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2/\text{s, } \rho_v = 0.48 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^3, \mu_v = 7.689 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mNs}/\text{m}^2, D_v \\ &= 23.4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s} \text{ [From Table (9.1) and (9.2), observation (1)]}. \end{aligned}$$

Other relevant information like liquid composition, relative volatility, column diameter and packed height is as follows :-

Liquid composition of key component (Ethylbenzene) = 58 mol %

relative volatility, $(\alpha) = 1.37$, Molecular weight of Ethylbenzene = 106.16 and Styrene = 104.14, column diameter = 0.5 m and packed height = 1.5 m. [Ref. (118)].

In order to calculate HETP, one requires knowledge of H_{OV} which in turn involves estimation of $k_L a$, k_V , a and M_{avg} .

(i) Estimation of different dimensionless numbers :

Using the above data, the values of various numbers work out be as under .

$$\begin{aligned} Re &= (L/a_t \mu_L) = 7.288 & Re_V &= (G/a_t \rho_V) = 367.3 \\ We &= (L^2/a_t \rho_L \sigma) = 1.251 \times 10^{-4} & Sc_V &= (\mu_V / \rho_V D_V) = 0.6845 \\ Fr &= (L^2 a_t / \rho_L g) = 4.375 \times 10^{-5} & Sc_L &= (\mu_L / \rho_L D_L) = 132.8 \\ &(\sigma / \sigma_c) = 0.3453. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Estimation of $k_L a$:

The generalised equation (4.24) could be used for obtaining the value of $k_L a$. The values of constants- $C, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, m$ and n to be utilised in equation (4.24) are 0.0833, 0.286, 0.22, 0.002, -0.442, -0.5 and -0.333 respectively [From Table (8.1.2), Step (4)].

$$\begin{aligned} k_L a &= 0.0833 [(Re)^{0.286} (We)^{0.22} (Fr)^{0.002} (\sigma / \sigma_c)^{-0.442}] \times \\ &\dots \times [(Sc)^{-0.5} (\rho_L / \mu_L g)^{-0.333} a_t] \\ &= 15.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Estimation of k_V :

The generalised equation (4.25) could be used for obtaining the value of k_V . The value of constants C, α, m and n to be utilised

in equation (4.25) are 1.75, 0.7, 0.4125 and -0.9 respectively [From Table (8.2.3), Step (3)].

$$k_V = 1.75 (Re_V)^{0.7} (Sc_V)^{0.4125} (a_t D_P)^{-0.9} (RT/a_t D_V)^{-1} \\ = 6.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ k mol/m}^2 \text{ s atm.}$$

(iv) Estimation of a_d :

The effective interfacial area available for mass transfer during distillation (a_d) is equivalent to the effective interfacial area available during physical absorption. The generalised equation (4.26) could be used for obtaining the value of a_d/a_t . The value of constants C , α , β , γ , and δ to be utilised in equation (4.26) are 1.08, 0.099, 0.22, 0.002, and -0.442, respectively. [From Table (7.2.2.) Step (10)].

$$a_d/a_t = 1.08 (Re)^{0.099} (We)^{0.22} (Fr)^{0.002} (\sigma/\sigma_c)^{-0.442} = 0.2854.$$

Since $a_t = 330 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$, therefore $a_d = 94.182 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$.

(v) Estimation of M_{avg} :

The average molecular weight of vapour can be obtained from knowledge of the vapour phase compositions. Since the values of liquid phase composition and relative volatility are known, the vapour phase compositions can be estimated by the under mentioned expression, assuming that relative volatility remains constant.

$$y_i = \frac{\alpha x_i}{1 + x_i (\alpha - 1)}$$

Since $x_{EB} = 0.58$ and $\alpha = 1.37$ therefore for $y_{EB} = 0.6542$ and $y_{\text{styrene}} = 0.3458$. The average molecular weight is then calculated by the expression $M_{\text{avg}} = y_1 M_1 + y_2 M_2 = 105.46$.

(vi) Estimation of H_L :

Using the estimated value $k_L a = 15.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (step ii), and the values of $L = 0.938 \text{ kg/m}^2 \text{ s}$ and $\rho_L = 822.9 \text{ kg/m}^3$, the value of H_L using equation (4.22) turns out to be 0.0757 m.

(vii) Estimation of H_V :

Using the estimated values of $K_V = 6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ k mol/m}^2 \text{ s atm}$ (step iii), $a_d = 94.18 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}^3$ (step iv), $M_{\text{avg}} = 105.46$. (step v) with the values of $G = 0.932 \text{ kg/m}^2 \text{ s}$ and $P = 0.131 \text{ atm}$, the value of H_G using the equation (4.23) works out to be 0.119 m.

(viii) Estimation of H.E.T.P :

Using the estimated values of $H_L = 0.0757 \text{ m}$ (step vi), $H_V = 0.119 \text{ m}$ (step vii) and the value of $\lambda = 0.933$, the value of H_{OV} using equation (4.21) works out as 0.189 m and substituting this value in equation (4.20), we obtain the value of HETP as 0.197 m.

Thus, with the help of preliminary data reported in Tables (9.1) and (9.2), using the above mentioned 'eight step procedure' the values of HETP have been estimated and are reported in Table (9.3).