



**PROGRAM** : NATIONAL DIPLOMA  
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

**SUBJECT** : CHEMICAL ENGINEERING  
TECHNOLOGY 2

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**DURATION** : (SESSION 1) 08:30 - 11:30

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**TOTAL MARKS** : 78

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**INSTRUCTIONS** : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. WORK ACCURATELY  
AND ENTER ANSWERS ON BLACKBOARD (Bb) AS  
REQUIRED. NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS  
PERMITTED (ONLY ONE PER CANDIDATE).

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**QUESTION 1**

1.1 The velocity of a car is given by:

$$v = 5 + 3t$$

Where:

$v$  = velocity in m/s

$t$  = time in s

1.1.1 What are the units for 5? (1)

1.1.2 What are the units for 3? (3)

1.2 A syrup contains  $x$  g of sucrose/100g of water at 25°C. The solution has a specific gravity of  $y$ . ( $x$  and  $y$  are given on Bb). Calculate the following:

1.2.1 The mass fraction of sucrose in the syrup (4)

1.2.2 Given that the density of water is 1000 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, what is the density of the syrup? (3)

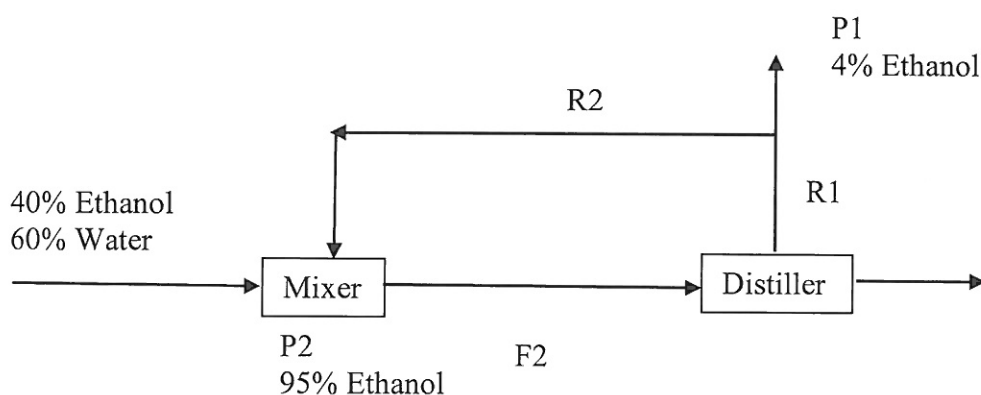
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**QUESTION 2**

In the process of producing concentrated ethanol a feed containing 40% ethanol and 60% water is mixed with a recycle stream. The product of the mixer is fed to a distiller whose product is 95% ethanol and the overheads is 4% Ethanol. The process is shown in the diagram.

2.1. What are the degrees of freedom for the entire process as shown in the diagram? (5)

2.2. Perform a total material balance and an ethanol balance over the whole plant and determine the flow rate of the product (P2) in kg/h. (7)

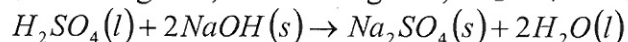


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**QUESTION 3**

- 3.1 300 g of sulphuric acid ( $H_2SO_4$ ) reacts with sodium hydroxide (NaOH, mass given on Bb) according to the equation below:

$H_2SO_4 = 98.079 \text{ g/mol}$ ,  $NaOH = 40 \text{ g/mol}$ ,  $Na_2SO_4 = 142.04 \text{ g/mol}$



The product is found to have 155g of sodium sulphate ( $Na_2SO_4$ )

3.1.1 Determine the limiting reagent. (7)

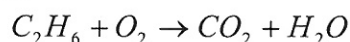
3.1.2 What is the yield %? (5)

3.1.3 What is the % excess of the reactant in excess? (4)

3.1.4 Using  $Na_2SO_4$ , calculate the extent of reaction,  $\xi$ . (5)

3.1.5 Given that the heats of formation of  $H_2SO_4$ , NaOH,  $Na_2SO_4$ , and  $H_2O$  are  $-811.32$ ,  $-426.6$ ,  $-1384.45$  and  $-285.84$  in  $\text{kJmol}^{-1}$  respectively, calculate the standard heat of the reaction in  $\text{kJmol}^{-1}$ . (3)

- 3.2. A gas mixture containing 60% by volume ethene ( $C_2H_6$ ) and 40% inerts (non-reactive gases) is completely combusted with excess air (% excess is given on Bb). Assume air is made up of 21%  $O_2$  and 79%  $N_2$ . The reaction is shown below



3.2.1 Balance the above equation without using fractions. (5)

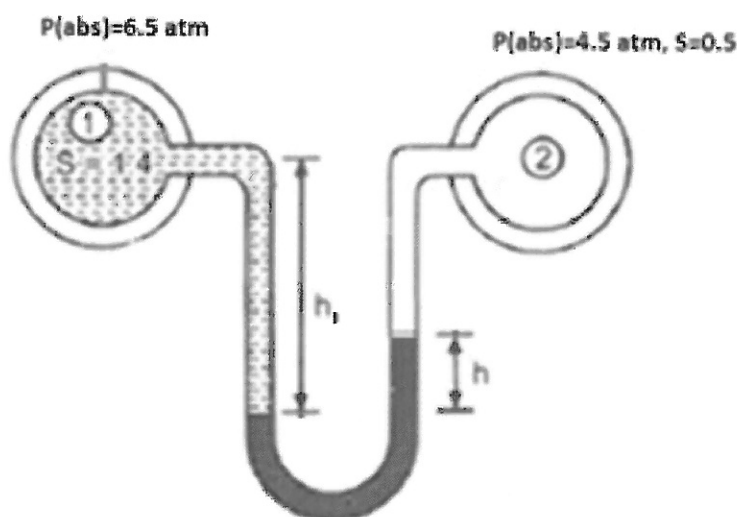
3.2.2 How many  $\text{m}^3$  of air is supplied for  $1 \text{ m}^3$  of mixture combusted at 1 atm? (11)

Choose a basis of 100 mol for the gas mixture and assume ideal gas behaviour.

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**QUESTION 4**

The diagram shows a u-tube differential manometer connecting two pipes 1 and 2. The liquid in pipe 1 has a specific gravity of 1.4 at an absolute pressure of 6.5 atm. The liquid in pipe 2 has a specific gravity of 0.5 and is at an absolute pressure of 4.5 atm. Calculate the height  $h$  in SI units (the difference



between the mercury levels in the two limbs). The density of mercury is  $13600 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and the density of water is  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ . Take  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

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**FACTORS FOR UNIT CONVERSIONS**

Quantity	Equivalent Values
<b>Mass</b>	$1 \text{ kg} = 1000 \text{ g} = 0.001 \text{ metric ton} = 2.20462 \text{ lb}_m = 35.27392 \text{ oz}$ $1 \text{ lb}_m = 16 \text{ oz} = 5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ ton} = 453.593 \text{ g} = 0.453593 \text{ kg}$
<b>Length</b>	$1 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ cm} = 1000 \text{ mm} = 10^6 \text{ microns } (\mu\text{m}) = 10^{10} \text{ angstroms } (\text{\AA})$ $= 39.37 \text{ in.} = 3.2808 \text{ ft} = 1.0936 \text{ yd} = 0.0006214 \text{ mile}$ $1 \text{ ft} = 12 \text{ in.} = 1/3 \text{ yd} = 0.3048 \text{ m} = 30.48 \text{ cm}$
<b>Volume</b>	$1 \text{ m}^3 = 1000 \text{ L} = 10^6 \text{ cm}^3 = 10^6 \text{ mL}$ $= 35.3145 \text{ ft}^3 = 220.83 \text{ imperial gallons} = 264.17 \text{ gal}$ $= 1056.68 \text{ qt}$ $1 \text{ ft}^3 = 1728 \text{ in.}^3 = 7.4805 \text{ gal} = 0.028317 \text{ m}^3 = 28.317 \text{ L}$ $= 28.317 \text{ cm}^3$
<b>Force</b>	$1 \text{ N} = 1 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s}^2 = 10^5 \text{ dynes} = 10^5 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm/s}^2 = 0.22481 \text{ lb}_f$ $1 \text{ lb}_f = 32.174 \text{ lb}_m\cdot\text{ft/s}^2 = 4.4482 \text{ N} = 4.4482 \times 10^5 \text{ dynes}$
<b>Pressure</b>	$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2 (\text{Pa}) = 101.325 \text{ kPa} = 1.01325 \text{ bar}$ $= 1.01325 \times 10^6 \text{ dynes/cm}^2$ $= 760 \text{ mm Hg at } 0^\circ\text{C (torr)} = 10.333 \text{ m H}_2\text{O at } 4^\circ\text{C}$ $= 14.696 \text{ lb}_f/\text{in.}^2 (\text{psi}) = 33.9 \text{ ft H}_2\text{O at } 4^\circ\text{C}$ $= 29.921 \text{ in. Hg at } 0^\circ\text{C}$
<b>Energy</b>	$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 10^7 \text{ ergs} = 10^7 \text{ dyne}\cdot\text{cm}$ $= 2.778 \times 10^{-7} \text{ kW}\cdot\text{h} = 0.23901 \text{ cal}$ $= 0.7376 \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb}_f = 9.486 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Btu}$
<b>Power</b>	$1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ J/s} = 0.23901 \text{ cal/s} = 0.7376 \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb}_f/\text{s} = 9.486 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Btu/s}$ $= 1.341 \times 10^{-3} \text{ hp}$

$$T(\text{K}) = T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 273.15$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{R}) = T(^{\circ}\text{F}) + 459.67$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{R}) = 1.8T(\text{K})$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{F}) = 1.8T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32$$