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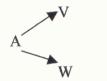
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### I. 50 points:

The reactions:



$$r_v = k_1 C_A$$

$$r_w = k_2 C_A^2$$

are studied at constant density and temperature in a laboratory CSTR. The following experiment has been observed:

 $v_o = 0.6 \text{ lt/min}$ 

 $V_R = 4 lt$ 

 $C_{Ao} = 1.8 \text{ moles/lt}$ 

 $C_{vo} = 0$ 

 $C_{wo} = 0$ 

 $C_{v1} = 1.2 \text{ moles/lt}$ 

(exit condition)

 $C_{w1} = 0.4 \text{ moles/lt}$ 

(exit condition)

## (a) 20 points:

Set up the design equation for the CSTR and find the rate constants  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ . Include units!

# (b) 20 points:

Set up the design equation and determine the product distribution ( $C_{A1}$ ,  $C_{v1}$ , and  $C_{w1}$ ) if a 4 lt. PFR was substituted for the CSTR and the entrance conditions remain identical. Use the values of the rate constants you determined in part (a) for this calculation.

# (c) 10 points

Calculate and compare Y<sub>v</sub> (the yield of V) for the CSTR and PFR.

### II. 50 points:

The gas phase reaction:

$$A \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} B$$

is first order in A and takes place in a CSTR operated adiabatically and at constant pressure of 1 atm. An inert material, I, is used to dilute the A that enters the reactor. Assume ideal gases but do not assume constant density. The following data applies:

 $T_0 = 350^{\circ} K$ 

 $F_{Ao} = 10 \text{ moles/min}$ 

 $F_{Io} = 100 \text{ moles/min}$ 

 $F_{Bo} = 0$ 

 $\Delta H_R = -10 \text{ kcal/mole}$  (independent of T)

 $C_{pA} = 15 \text{ cal/mol}^{\circ} K$  (independent of T)

 $C_{pl} = 17 \text{ cal/mol}^{\circ}K$  (independent of T)

 $C_{pB} = 19 \text{ cal/mol}^{\circ} K$  (independent of T)

 $A = 8 \times 10^{16} \text{ min}^{-1} \qquad \text{(pre-exponential factor)}$ 

E = 22 kcal/mol (activation energy)

#### (a) 20 points:

Set up the adiabatic energy balance and determine the exiting temperature for 70% conversion of A.

#### (b) 30 points:

Set up the design equation and determine the reactor volume required to convert 70% of the A.

Note: R= 1.987 cal/mole-K = 8.314 J/mole-K1 cal = 8.314/1.987 J