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## Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, July/August 2021 Mass Transfer Operations – I

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

**Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions.  
2. Use of humidity chart permitted.**

- 1 a. Define molecular and eddy diffusion state and explain Fick's law. (10 Marks)  
b. Explain the classification of mass transfer operations based on phases in contact. (10 Marks)
  
- 2 a. Write short notes on:  
i) Whitman's Film theory  
ii) Penetration theory. (10 Marks)  
b. Derive an expression for equimolar counter current diffusion in a gaseous system. (10 Marks)
  
- 3 a. Define the following terms:  
i) Molal humidity  
ii) Percent humidity  
iii) Dew point  
iv) Humid volume. (08 Marks)  
b. With the help of neat sketches, explain the working of various cooling towers. (12 Marks)
  
- 4 a. The WBT and DBT of air are 313K and 333K respectively. Determine following using psychrometry chart  
i) Absolute Humidity  
ii) Percent Humidity  
iii) Humid volume  
iv) Enthalpy of wet air. (10 Marks)  
b. Explain wet bulb and dry bulb temperature. (10 Marks)
  
- 5 a. Explain drying rate curve. Derive the equation to calculate total drying time. (12 Marks)  
b. Define:  
i) Equilibrium moisture  
ii) Bound moisture  
iii) Unbound moisture  
iv) Critical moisture content. (08 Marks)
  
- 6 a. Explain the working of any one type of dryer with neat sketch. (10 Marks)  
b. A batch of solids is to be dried from 25 to 6% moisture. The initial weight of wet solid is 160kg and the drying surface is 1m<sup>2</sup>/40kg dry weight. Determine the drying time. Use data for falling rate period.

X	0.2	0.18	0.16	0.14	0.12	0.1	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.064
10 <sup>3</sup> N	0.3	0.266	0.239	0.208	0.18	0.15	0.097	0.07	0.043	0.025

(10 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.  
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and/or equations written eg. 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

- 7 a. List the various industrial adsorbents and their applications. (10 Marks)  
b. With a neat sketch, explain any one type of adsorber. (10 Marks)
- 8 a. Explain Langmuir and Freundlich adsorption isotherms. (12 Marks)  
b. Explain physical and chemical adsorption. (08 Marks)
- 9 a. Write a note on factors governing nucleation and crystal growth. (10 Marks)  
b. With a neat sketch, explain the working of any one type of crystallizer. (10 Marks)
- 10 Write a short note on:  
a. Dialysis  
b. Reverse osmosis  
c. Ultra filtration  
d. Micro filtration. (20 Marks)

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