

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Nitric acid (HNO_3), also known as aqua fortis and spirit of niter, is a highly corrosive and toxic strong mineral acid which is normally colorless but tends to acquire a yellow cast due to the accumulation of oxides of nitrogen if long-stored. Ordinary nitric acid has a concentration of 68%. When the solution contains more than 86% HNO_3 , it is referred to as fuming nitric acid. Depending on the amount of nitrogen dioxide present, fuming nitric acid is further characterized as white fuming nitric acid or red fuming nitric acid, at concentrations above 95%. Nitric acid is also commonly used as a strong oxidizing agent. The earliest known written description of the method of synthesizing nitric acid is credited to the alchemist jabiribnhayyan (Geber). later a dutch chemist, johannrudolfglauber, was the first to make nitric by distillation of saltpeter with sulfuric acid , or oil of vitriol as he calld it . the product (sodium sulfate decahydrate)is named "Glauber's salt " to commemorate him. Aqua regia (latin for royal water) is one of the chemical the ancient scientists concocted. It is a highly corrosive, fuming yellow or red solution. The mixture is formed by mixing concentrated nitric and hydrochloric acid, usually in a volumetric ratio of one to three. It is one of the few reagents that can dissolve gold and platinum, the so-called royal, or noble metals- hence the name "royal water". The effectiveness of aquaregia is partly because of the presence of both chlorine and nitrosylchloride. The main method for the manufacture of nitric acid based on the oxidation of ammonia in a way that the chemical developed by the German William Ostwald in 1901 is oxidation of ammonia to nitric oxide and carbon dioxide nitric air or oxygen the existence of a network of platinum as a catalyst, and then absorbs

nitrogen dioxide in the water component of nitric acid, smoked and then is distilled to remove water using sulfuric acid⁽¹⁾. Decomposes nitric acid giving the water and nitrogen dioxide and oxygen component liquid yellow brown. And nitric acid and, as noted previously fully ionized strong acid in aqueous solutions to ions and hydrogen ions and nitrate is also considered a strong oxidizing agent. Among the most important are the reactions of nitric acid neutralization reaction with ammonia to form ammonium nitrate and is an important compound enters the agricultural fertilizer industry. It called nitric acid salts as the nitrates .nitrate potassium known as rock salt and sodium nitrate for two large importance in the chemical industry, and almost all nitrate insoluble in water except under $\text{BiONO}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ bismuth nitrate used in medicine to detect intestinal disorders. And betrick acid interaction with organic compounds produced many nitrate like Natroyjlasrin and Netrosslauluz. And the use of sodium nitrate and calcium and ammonium and potassium in the fertilizer industry to be a source of nitrogen for the germination of plant⁽¹⁾.

1.2 Uses of nitric acid⁽¹⁾

1. As a starting material in the manufacture of nitrogen fertilizers such as ammonium nitrate, ammonium phosphate and nitro phosphate. A large amounts are reacted with ammonia to yield ammonium nitrate.
2. Weak acid are used to digest crude phosphates.
3. As a nitrating agent in the preparation of explosives such as TNT, nitroglycerine, cellulose polynitrate.
4. In manufacture of organic intermediates such as nitroalkanes and nitroaromatics.
5. Used in the production of adipic acid.
6. Used in fibers, plastics and dyestuffs industries

7.Used in metallurgy and in rocket fuel production

8.As the replacement of sulfuric acid in acidulation of phosphate rock.

1.3 Physical properties⁽¹⁾

Dissociation constant (pKa) of -1.4 .In aqueous solution, it almost completely (93% at 0.1 mol/L).Will decompose at higher temperatures to form nitrogen oxides. Nitric acid is both a strong acid and a strong oxidant, particularly when hot and Concentrate.

Table (1.1): physical properties of nitric acid

Properties	Value
Chemical formula	HNO ₃
Molar mass g/mol	63.01
Density g/cm ³	1.5129
Melting point	-42 °C
Boiling point	83 °C
Flash point	Non – flammable
Heat of formation Kj/mol	-174.100
Heat of fusion Kj/mol	2.50

Chemical properties⁽¹⁾

Nitric acid is normally considered to be a strong acid at ambient temperatures. There is some disagreement over the value of the acid dissociation constant , though the pK_a value is usually reported as less than (-1) .This means that the nitric acid in diluted solution is fully dissociated except in extremely acidic solutions the pK_a value rises to 1 at a temperature of 250 °C ⁽³⁾.

CHAPTER TWO
MATERIAL BALANCE
AND
ENERGY BALANCE

2.1 Material Balance

2.1.1 Introduction

Material balances are important first step when designing a new process or analyzing an existing one. They are almost always prerequisite to all other calculations in the solution of process engineering problems. Material balances are nothing more than the application of the law of conservation of mass, which states that mass can neither be created nor destroyed. Thus, you cannot, for example, specify an input to a reactor of one ton of naphtha and an output of two tons of gasoline or gases or anything else. One ton of total material input will only give one ton of total output, i.e. total mass of input = total mass of output. A material balance is an accounting for material. Thus, material balances are often compared to the balancing of current accounts. They are used in industry to calculate mass flow rates of different streams entering or leaving chemical or physical processes.

Production capacity $P=14644 \text{ tan/year}^{(1)}$

Year=300 day

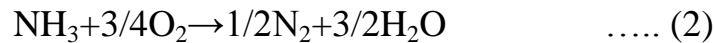
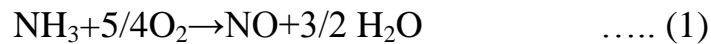
$P=14644 \text{ tan /yr} * 1000 \text{ kg/tan} * \text{ yr}/300\text{day} * \text{ day}/24\text{hr}.$

$P=2034\text{Kg/hr}$ 58% HNO_3

42% H_2O

Reactions:

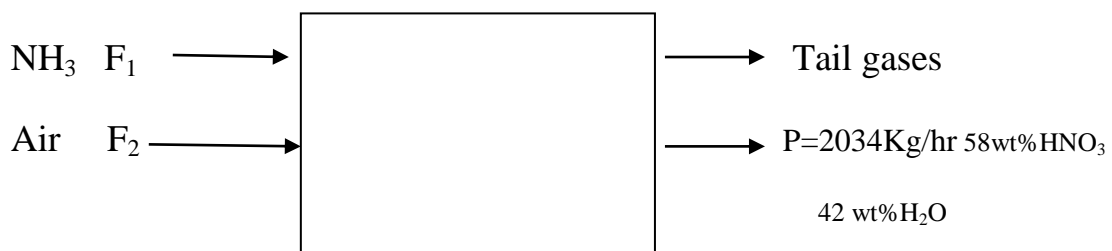
In the reactor (oxidizer)



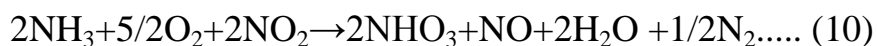
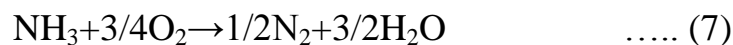
In the cooler



In the absorber



Reactions:



Over all yield of HNO_3 based on $\text{NH}_3 = 94\%$ ⁽³⁾

$$\text{Yield} = \frac{\text{kmole HNO}_3 \text{ producte} * \text{S}}{\text{kmole NH}_3 \text{ fed to the process}}$$

S = stoichiometric factor

$$S = \frac{\text{mole NH}_3}{\text{mole HNO}_3} \quad \Rightarrow \quad S = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{HNO}_3 \text{ product} = 0.58 * P$$

$$= 0.58 * 2034$$

$$= 1179.72 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{mole product of HNO}_3 = 1179.72 / 63$$

$$= 18.7257 \text{ Kmole/hr}$$

$$\text{NH}_3 \text{ fed to the process} = \frac{F_1}{17}$$

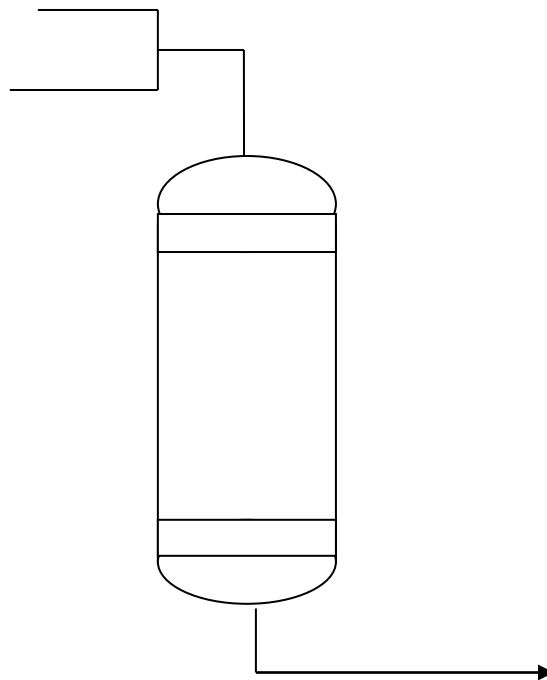
$$0.94 = \frac{18.7257}{\frac{F_1}{17}}$$

$$F_1 = 338.66 \text{ k g/hr} \quad \text{NH}_3$$

2.1.2 Material Balances in Reactor(Oxidizer)(R-O1)

$$338.66 \text{ Kg/hr } F_1$$

$$\text{Kg/hr Air } F_2$$



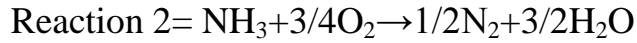
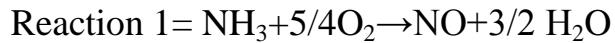
O₂ Kg/hr

N₂ Kg/hr

NO Kg/hr

H₂O Kg/hr

Reactions :



Excess air is supplied to the oxidizer to keep the ammonia concentration below the explosive limit reported to be 13% by volume NH_3 .

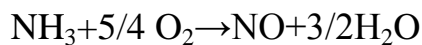
The inlet concentration of ammonia will be taken as 10% by volume ⁽³⁾

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Air supplied} &= \left(\frac{F1}{17}\right) \left(\frac{0.90}{0.15}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{338.66}{17}\right) \left(\frac{0.90}{0.10}\right) \\ &= 179.2906 \text{ Kmole/hr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inlet O}_2 &= 0.21(179.2906) \\ &= 37.6510 \text{ k mole/hr} \\ &= 1204.83 \text{ k g/hr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inlet N}_2 &= 0.79(179.2906) \\ &= 141.6396 \text{ k mole/hr} \\ &= 3965.91 \text{ Kg/hr} \end{aligned}$$

Reaction (1)



For reaction $F1 = 96\%$ of NH_3 ⁽³⁾

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NH}_3 \text{ reacted} &= 0.96 * 338.66 \\ &= 325.11 \text{ k g/hr} \\ &= \frac{325.11}{17} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 19.1241 \text{ k mole/ hr}$$

$$\text{O}_2 \text{ reacted} = \frac{5}{4} (19.1241)$$

$$= 764.96 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{NO produced} = 19.1241 \text{ K mole/ hr}$$

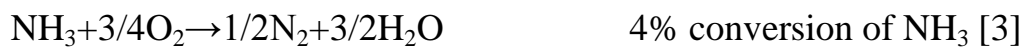
$$= 573.72 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O produced} = \frac{3}{2} (19.1241)$$

$$= 28.6862 \text{ Kmole/ hr}$$

$$= 516.35 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

Reaction (2)



$$17 \quad 32 \quad 28 \quad 18$$

$$\text{NH}_3 \text{ reacted} = 0.04 F_1 = 0.04 (338.66)$$

$$= 13.55 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$= \frac{13.55}{17} = 0.7971 \text{ Kmole/hr}$$

$$\text{O}_2 \text{ reacted} = \frac{3}{4} (0.7971)$$

$$= 0.5978 \text{ Kmole/hr}$$

$$= 19.13 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{N}_2 \text{ produced} = \frac{1}{2} (0.7971)$$

$$= 0.3986 \text{ Kmole/hr}$$

$$= 11.16 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{H}_2\text{O produced} &= \frac{3}{2} (0.7971) \\ &= 1.1957 \text{ k mole /hr} \\ &= 21.52 \text{ Kg/hr} \end{aligned}$$

Exit products

$$\begin{aligned} \text{O}_2 &= \text{inlet} - \text{reacted} \\ &= 1204.83 - 764.96 - 19.13 \implies 420.74 \text{ Kg/hr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{N}_2 &= \text{inlet} + \text{produced} \\ &= 3965.91 + 11.16 \\ &= 3977.07 \text{ Kg/hr} \end{aligned}$$

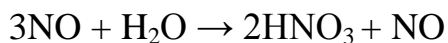
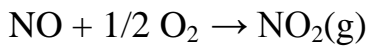
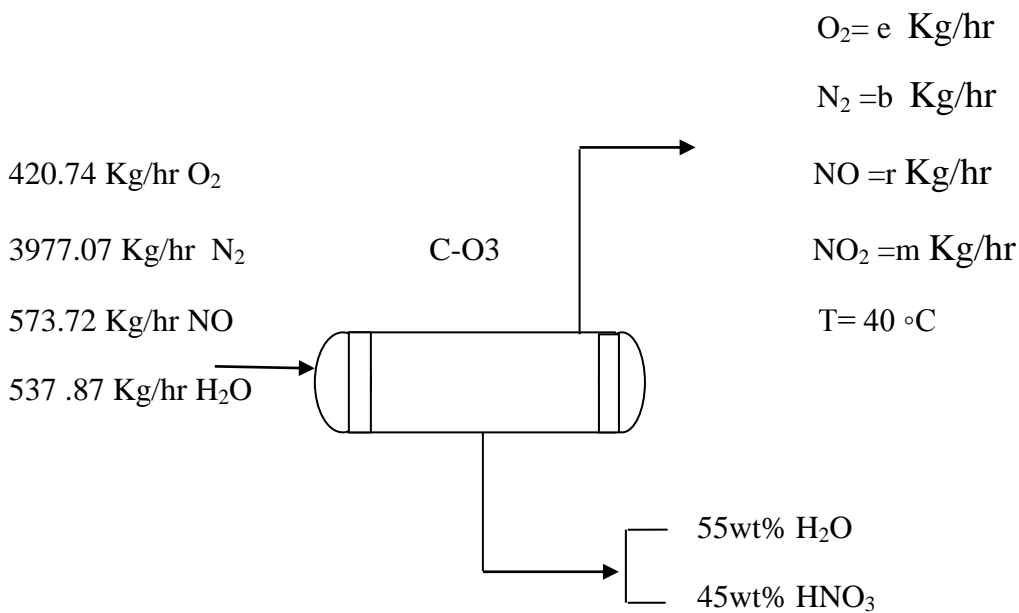
$$\begin{aligned} \text{NO} &= \text{inlet} + \text{produce} \\ &= 0 + 573.72 \implies 573.72 \text{ Kg/hr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{H}_2\text{O} &= \text{inlet} + \text{produced} \\ &= 0 + 516.35 + 21.52 \\ &= 537.87 \text{ Kg/hr} \end{aligned}$$

Compound	In put / Kg/hr	Out put / Kg/hr
NH ₃	338.6	-
O ₂	1204.83	420.74
N ₂	3965.91	3977.07
NO	-	573.72
H ₂ O	-	537.87
Total	5509.40	5509.40

2.1.3 Material Balance On Cooler Condenser

In the cooler – condenser the gases are cooled from 234 °c to 40 °c (at 8 atm). The composition of the acid leaving the unit is taken as 45 wt % HNO₃.



For simplicity in this preliminary balance the quantity of (NO) in the outlet gases, will be take as equal to the quantity from reaction (4)

H₂O balance :

In – reacted = out

$$\left(\frac{537.87}{18}\right) - \left(\frac{0.45B}{63}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{0.55B}{18}\right)$$

$$29.88 = 0.03413 B$$

$$B = 875.60 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

Stream B

$$\text{H}_2\text{O} = 0.55\text{B} = 0.55(875.60)$$

$$= 481.58 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{HNO}_3 = 0.45\text{B} = 0.45(875.60) \implies 394.02 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

O₂ balance

In – reacted = out

$$\left(\frac{420.74}{32}\right) - \left(\frac{573.72}{30}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{e}{32}$$

$$e = 114.76 \text{ kg/ hr O}_2$$

N₂ in = N₂ out

$$b = 3977.07 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

NO balance

NO out = NO produced from reaction (4)

$$r = \left(\frac{0.45\text{B}}{63}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (30)$$

$$= \left(\frac{0.45 \cdot 875.60}{63}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (30)$$

$$= 93.81 \text{ Kg/hr NO}$$

NO₂ balance

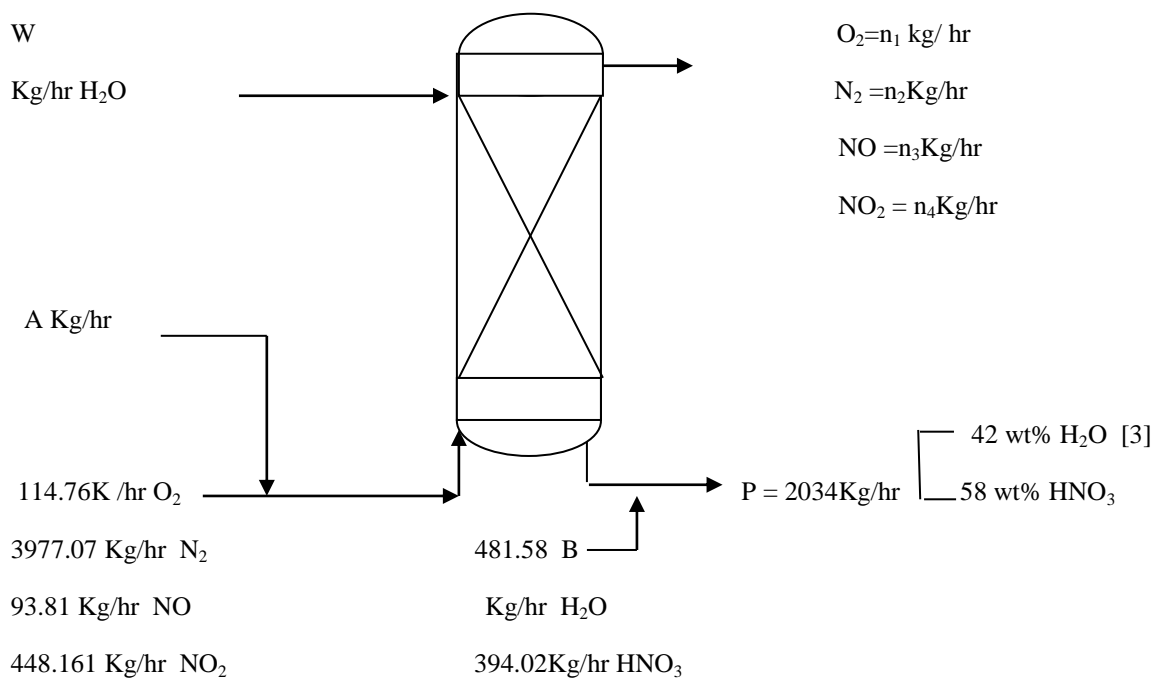
In + generation = out + consumption

$$0 + \left(\frac{573.72}{30}\right) = \left(\frac{m}{46}\right) + \left(\frac{0.45 \cdot 875.60}{63}\right) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$$m = 448.16 \text{ Kg/hr NO}_2$$

Compound	In put / Kg/hr	Out put / Kg/hr
O ₂	420.74	114.76
N ₂	3977.07	3977.07
NO	573.72	93.81
NO ₂	-	448.16
H ₂ O	537.87	481.58
HNO ₃	-	394.02
Total	5509.4	5509.4

2.1.4 Material Balance In Absorber



The air consist of 21 % O₂ and 79 % by volume

$$O_2 \text{ wt\%} = \frac{0.21 \times 32}{(0.21 \times 32) + (0.79 \times 28)}$$

$$O_2 = 23.30 \text{ wt\%}$$

$$N_2 = 76.7 \text{ wt \%}$$

Stream L

$$\text{H}_2\text{O} = 0.42P - 481.58$$

$$= 0.42 (2034) - 481.58$$

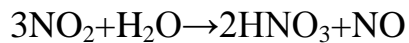
$$= 372.70 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{HNO}_3 = 0.58 P - 394.02$$

$$= 0.58 (2034) - 394.02$$

$$= 785.70 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

H₂O balance



In – reacted = out

$$\left(\frac{w}{18}\right) - \left(\frac{785.7}{63}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{372.70}{18}\right)$$

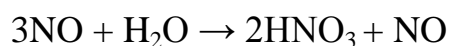
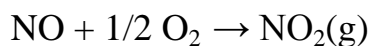
$$W = 484.94 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

N₂ balance

$$\text{In} = \text{out} \implies 3977.07 + 0.767A = 0.9629 G$$

$$A = 1.2554G - 5185.23 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Reactions :



Tail gases containing 3% O₂ and 0.2 % NO

Assume = 0.05% NO

Percent of N₂ in the tail gases

$$= 1 - 0.03 - 0.002 - 0.0005$$

$$= 0.9672 = 96.75 \%$$

The percentage must be converted to weight percent .

$$O_2 \text{ wt } \% = \frac{(0.03 \times 32)}{(0.03 \times 32) + (0.002 \times 30) + (0.9675 \times 28) + (0.0005 \times 46)}$$

$$O_2 = 3.41 \text{ wt } \%$$

$$N_2 = 96.29 \text{ wt } \%$$

$$NO = 0.21 \text{ wt } \%$$

$$NO_2 = 0.08 \text{ wt } \%$$

Over all material balance

$$w + A + (114.70 + 3977.07 + 93.81 + 448.16) + B = G + P$$

$$484.94 + A + 4633.74 + (481.58 + 394.02) = G + 2034$$

$$A = G - 3960.28 \dots\dots (2)$$

Substitution equation (2) in (1) we get

$$G - 3960.28 = 1.2554 G - 5185.23$$

$$1224.95 = 0.2554 G$$

$$G = 4796.20 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$A = 4796.20 - 3960.28$$

$$= 835.92 \text{ Kg/hr air (secondary air)}$$

Stream G

$$\text{O}_2 = 0.0341 G = 0.0341 (4796.201)$$

$$= 163.55 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{N}_2 = 0.9629 G = 0.9629 (4796.201)$$

$$= 4618.26 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

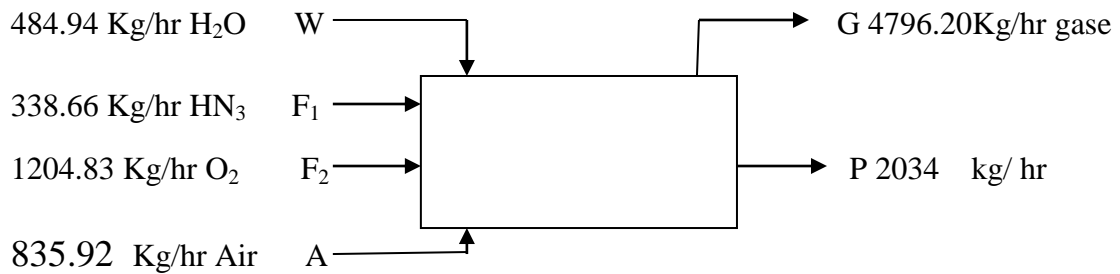
$$\text{NO} = 0.0021 G = 0.0021 (4796.201)$$

$$= 10.07 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{NO}_2 = 0.00086G = 0.00086 (4796.201)$$

$$= 3.84 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

over all material balance



$$\text{Total in} = w + F_1 + F_2 + A$$

$$= 484.94 + 338.66 + 1204.83 + 3965.91 + 835.92$$

$$= 6830.26 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

$$\text{Total out} = G + P$$

$$= 4796.20 + 2034$$

$$= 6830.20 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

2.2 Energy Balance

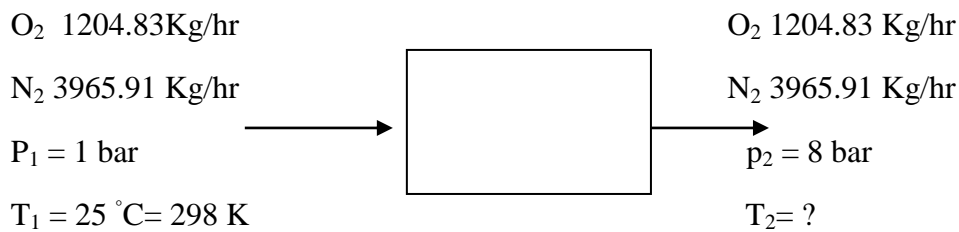
Gas Heat capacity

$$C_p = a + b T + c T^2 + d T^3 \quad [3]$$

C_p = gas heat capacity J/ mol .k

T = temperature k

2.2 .1 energy balance on compressor



$$\left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^m \quad [3]$$

$$m = \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma E_p}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_v}$$

$$= 1.4 \text{ for air} \quad [3]$$

E_p = compressor efficiency

For inlet conditions

$$P_1 V_1 = n_1 R T_1$$

$$P_1 = 1 \text{ bar} = 100 \text{ k pa}$$

$$T_1 = 25 \text{ °C} = 298 \text{ K}$$

$$n_1 = \frac{1204.83}{32} + \frac{3965.91}{28} = 179.291 \text{ k mol/hr}$$

$$100 V_1 = 179.291 * 8.314 * 298$$

$$V_1 = 4442.06 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr}$$

$$= 1.23 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

For $V_1 = 1.23 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ and centrifugal compressor $E_p = 68\%$ Fig (3.6) [3]

$$m = \frac{1.4-1}{1.4*0.68} = 0.420$$

$$\left(\frac{T_2}{298}\right) = \left(\frac{8}{1}\right)^{0.42}$$

$$T_2 = 714 \text{ k} = 441 \text{ C}^\circ$$

$$W = Z_1 T_1 R \left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right) \left[\left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{(n-1)}{n}} - 1\right] \quad [3]$$

Where

W= work k j/k mol

$$Z_1 = 1 \quad P_1 = 1\text{bar}$$

$$n = \left(\frac{1}{1-m}\right)$$

$$n = \left(\frac{1}{1-0.42}\right) = 1.724$$

$$w = 298 * 8.314 \left(\frac{1.724}{1.724-1}\right) \left[\left(\frac{8}{1}\right)^{\frac{0.724}{1.724}} - 1\right]$$

$$w = 8228 \text{ k j/k mol}$$

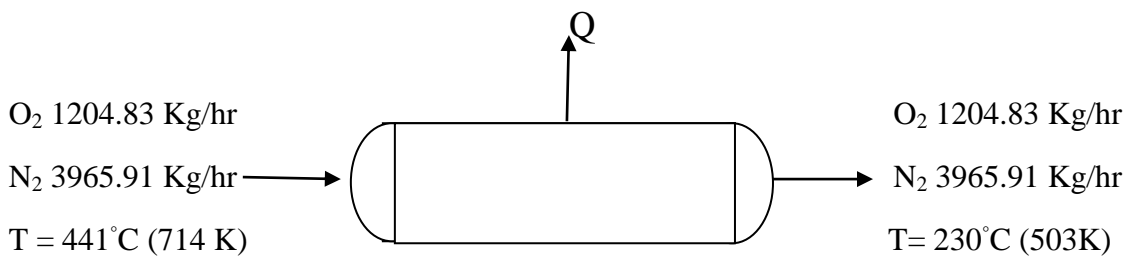
$$w = 8228 \left(\frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kJ mol}}\right) * 179.291 \left(\frac{\text{kJ mol}}{\text{hr}}\right)$$

$$= 1475206 \text{ k j /hr}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Power} &= \left(\frac{w}{E_P}\right) = \left(\frac{1475206}{0.68}\right) \\ &= 2169421 \text{ k j/hr} \\ &= 603 \text{ k w} \end{aligned}$$

2.2.2 Energy Balance on Cooler (CO-3)

The air is cooled from 441°C to 230 °C [3]



Energy balance

$$m \Delta H_{in} = m \Delta H_{out} + Q$$

$$T_{ref} = 25^\circ\text{C} = 298 \text{ k}$$

$$m\Delta H_{in} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{714} c_{pi} dT$$

$$m\Delta H_{in} = \frac{1204.83}{32} \left[28.106(714-298) - \frac{3.68 \times 10^{-6}}{2} (714^2 - 298^2) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1.745 \times 10^{-5}}{3} (714^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{1.065 \times 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (714^4 - 298^4) + \frac{3965.91}{28}$$

$$\left[31.15(714-298) - \frac{1.356 \times 10^{-2}}{2} (714^2 - 298^2) + \frac{2.679 \times 10^{-5}}{3} (714^3 - 298^3) - \frac{1.168 \times 10^{-8}}{4} \right.$$

$$\left. (714^4 - 298^4) \right]$$

$$m\Delta H_{in} = 2194048 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$M \Delta H_{out} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{503} c_{pi} dT$$

$$m\Delta H_{out} = \frac{1204.83}{32} \left[28.106(503-298) - \frac{3.68 \cdot 10^{-6}}{2} (503^2 - 298^2) + \frac{1.745 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (503^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{1.065 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (503^4 - 298^4) + \frac{3965.91}{28} [31.15(503-298) - \frac{1.356 \cdot 10^{-2}}{2} (503^2 - 298^2) + \frac{2.679 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (503^3 - 298^3) - \frac{1.168 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} (503^4 - 298^4)] \right]$$

$$m\Delta H_{out} = 1079082 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$2194048 = 1079082 + Q$$

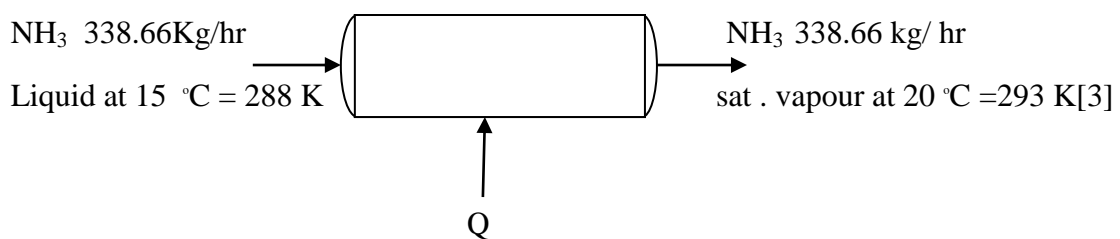
$$Q = 1114966 \text{ k j /hr}$$

$$Q = mC_p\Delta T_{H_2O} \quad \Delta T_{H_2O} = 40 - 25 = 15 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} \quad [3]$$

$$m = \left(\frac{Q}{C_p\Delta T_{H_2O}} \right) = \frac{1114966}{4.2 \cdot 15} = 17698 \text{ Kg/hr } H_2O$$

2.2.3 Energy Balance On Ammonia Vaporizer

The ammonia will be stored under 8 bar as liquid at 15 °C .the saturated ammonia at 8 bar is 20 °C [3]



Energy balance

$$m\Delta H_{in} + Q = m\Delta H_{out}$$

$$T_{ref} \text{ } 25^\circ\text{C} = 298 \text{ K}$$

$$m\Delta H_{in} = mC_p\Delta T$$

$$= (338.66 \times 4.54)(293 - 298)$$

$$= -15375 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$m\Delta H_{\text{out}} = mC_p\Delta T + m\lambda$$

$$= (338.66 \times 4.54)(293 - 298) + (338.66 \times 1374)$$

$$= 457631 \text{ k j/hr} - 15375 + Q = 457631$$

$$Q = 473006 \text{ k j/hr}$$

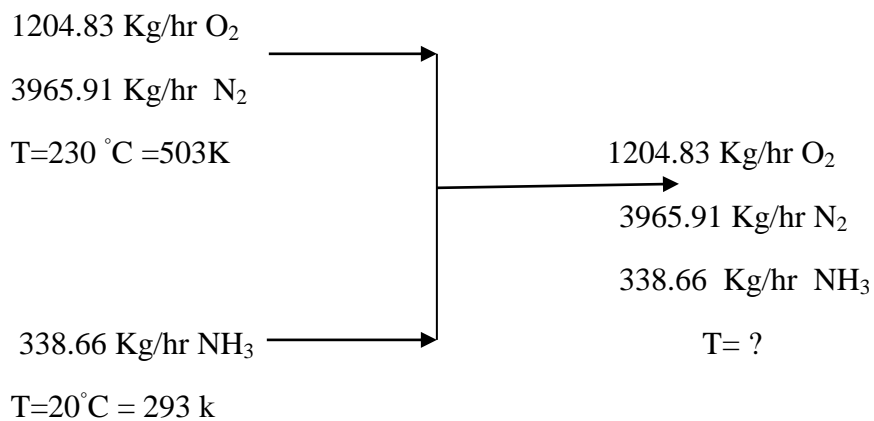
Q is supplied by saturated steam at 100 C° and 101.3 k pa

$$\lambda = 2257 \text{ k j/kg} \quad [5]$$

$$Q = m \lambda \rightarrow m = \frac{Q}{\lambda}$$

$$m = \frac{473006}{2257} = 210 \text{ Kg/hr steam}$$

2.2.4 Energy Balance on Mix Point



Energy balance

$$M \Delta H_{in} = m \Delta H_{out}$$

$$T_{ref} = 25^\circ C = 298 \text{ k}$$

$$M \Delta H_{in} = \Sigma m_i \int_{298}^{503} c_{pi} dT + m \int_{298}^{293} c_{pd} T$$

$$m \Delta H_{in} = \frac{1204.83}{32} \left[28.106(503-298) - \frac{3.68 \cdot 10^{-6}}{2} (503^2 - 298^2) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1.745 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (503^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{1.065 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (503^4 - 298^4) + \frac{3965.91}{28}$$

$$\left[31.15(503-298) - \frac{1.356 \cdot 10^{-2}}{2} (503^2 - 298^2) + \frac{2.679 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (503^3 - 298^3) - \frac{1.168 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right.$$

$$\left. (503^4 - 298^4) \right] + \frac{338.66}{17} \left[27.315(293-298) + \frac{2.383 \cdot 10^{-2}}{2} (293^2 - 298^2) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1.705 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (293^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{1.184 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (293^4 - 298^4) \right]$$

$$m \Delta H_{in} = 233372 + 851069 - 3540$$

$$= 1080901 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$M \Delta H_{out} = \Sigma m_i \int_{298}^T c_{pi} dT$$

$$m \Delta H_{in} = 1204.83 \left[28.106(T-298) - \frac{3.68 \cdot 10^{-6}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) + \frac{1.745 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} \right.$$

$$\left. (T^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{1.065 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (T^4 - 298^4) + \frac{3965.91}{28} \left[31.15(T-298) - \frac{1.356 \cdot 10^{-2}}{2} (T^2 - \right.$$

$$\left. 298^2) + \frac{2.679 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \frac{1.168 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} (T^4 - 298^4) \right] + \frac{338.66}{17} \left[27.315(T-298) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{2.383 \cdot 10^{-2}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) + \frac{1.707 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{1.184 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (T^4 - 298^4) \right]$$

$$m \Delta H_{out} = 6014.439(T-298) - 0.723(T^2-298) + 1.597 \cdot 10^{-3}(T^3-298) - 5.728 \cdot 10^{-8}(T^4-298)$$

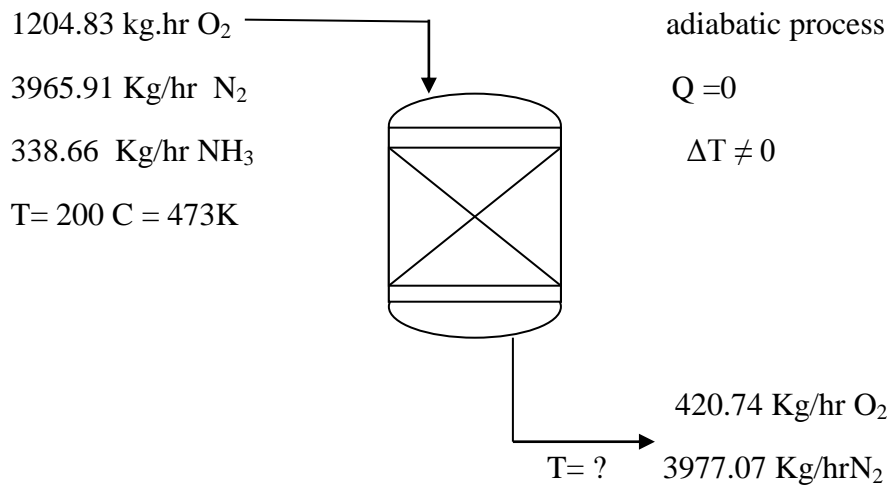
$$1080901 = 6014.439(T-298) - 0.723(T^2-298^2) + 1.597 \times 10^{-3} (T^3-298^3) - 5.728 \times 10^{-8} (T^4-298^4)$$

By trial and error

T K	Left side	Right side
470	1080901	1060178
475	1080901	1092061
473.25	1080901	1080894

Exit mixture temp. = 473.25 k = 200 °C

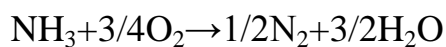
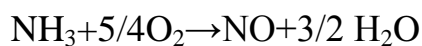
2.2.5 Energy Balance on Reactor



573.72 Kg/hr NO

537.87 Kg/hr H₂O

Reactions



Energy balance

$$M \Delta H_{in} = m \Delta H_{out} + n_1 \Delta H_{r1} + n_2 \Delta H_{r2}$$

$$T_{ref} = 25^\circ C = 298 \text{ k}$$

$$M \Delta H_{in} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{473} c_{pi} dT$$

$$= 1080901 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$M \Delta H_{out} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^T c_{pi} dT$$

$$= \frac{1204.83}{32} \left[28.106(T-298) - \frac{3.68 \cdot 10^{-6}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) + \frac{1.745 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \right.$$

$$\left. \left(\frac{1.065 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} \right) (T^4 - 298^4) + \frac{3977.07}{28} \left[31.15(T-298) - \frac{1.356 \cdot 10^{-8}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. + \frac{2.679 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \frac{1.168 \cdot 10^{-8}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) + \frac{2.679 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{1.168 \cdot 10^{-8}}{4} (T^4 - 298^4) + \frac{375.72}{30} \left[29.345 (T-298) - \frac{9.378 \cdot 10^{-6}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. + \frac{9.746 \cdot 10^{-6}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \left(\frac{4.186 \cdot 10^{-6}}{4} \right) (T^4 - 298^4) + \frac{537.87}{18} \left[32.243 (T- \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. 298) + \frac{1.923 \cdot 10^{-3}}{2} (T^2 - 298^2) + \frac{1.055 \cdot 10^{-5}}{3} (T^3 - 298^3) - \frac{3.596 \cdot 10^{-9}}{2} \right. \right.$$

$$m \Delta H_{out} = 6318.70 (T-298) - 0.9433 (T^2 - 298^2) + 1.5121 \cdot 10^{-3} (T^3 - 298^3) - 4.966 \cdot 10^{-7} (T^4 - 298^4)$$

$$\Delta H_r = \sum \Delta H_{298P} - \sum \Delta H_{298R}$$

Reaction (1)

$$\Delta H_{r1} = \frac{3}{2} \Delta H_{F298H2O} + \Delta H_{F298NO} - \frac{5}{2} \Delta H_{F298O2} - \Delta H_{F298NH3}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} (-242) + (90.43) - 0 - (45.72)$$

$$n_1 \Delta H_{r1} = -227.22 \text{ k j/hr}$$

Reaction (2)

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta H_{r1} &= \frac{3}{2} \Delta H_{F298H2O} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta H_{F298N2} - \frac{3}{4} \Delta H_{F298O2} - \Delta H_{F298NH3} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} (-242) + (0) - 0 - (45.72) \\ &= -317.82 \text{ k j/hr}\end{aligned}$$

$$NH_3 \text{ reacted} = 0.7971 \text{ k mol/hr}$$

$$= 797.1 \text{ mol /hr}$$

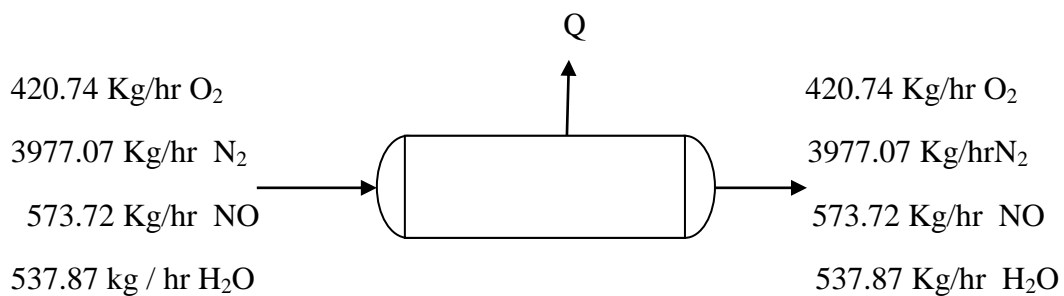
$$n_2 \Delta H_{r2} = (797.1)(-317.82)$$

$$= -253334 \text{ k j/hr}$$

Exit temperature from reactor = 900 °C

2.2.6 Energy balance on waste heat boiler

The gases are cooled from 900 to 234 °C



$$M \Delta H_{in} = m \Delta H_{out} + Q$$

$$m \Delta H_{in} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{1173} c_{pi} dT$$

$$m \Delta H_{in} = 5685201 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{out}} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{507} c_{p,i} dT$$

$$m\Delta H_{\text{out}} = 6318.70(507-298)-0.9433(507^2-298^2)+1.5121*10^{-3}(507^3-298^3)-4.966*10^{-7}(507^4-298^4)$$

$$m\Delta H_{\text{out}} = 1290054 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$5685201 = 1290054 + Q \implies Q = 4395147 \text{ k j /hr}$$

Water inlet at 25 °C and 10 bar and exit saturated vapour at 10 bar T sat = 180°C [5]

$$\lambda = 2013 \text{ k j /kg} \quad [5]$$

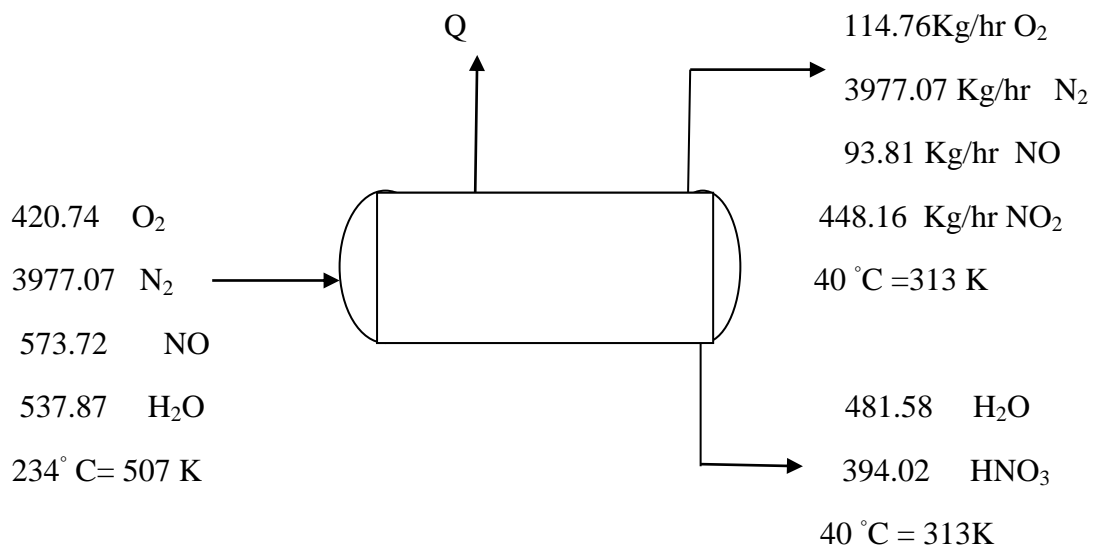
$$Q = m C_p \Delta T + m\lambda$$

$$m = \frac{Q}{c_p \Delta T + \lambda} = \frac{4395147}{4.2(180-25) + 2013}$$

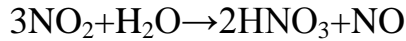
$$m = 1650 \text{ Kg/hr steam}$$

2.2.7 Energy Balance on Cooler Condenser

The gases are cooled from 234 to 40 °C



Reactions:



Energy balance

$$M \Delta H_{\text{in}} = m \Delta H_{\text{out}} + n_1 \Delta H_{r1} + n_2 \Delta H_{r2} + Q$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{507} C_{P_i} dT_{\text{gases}} + m \lambda_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} + m \lambda_{\text{HNO}_3}$$

$$\sum m_i = \int_{298}^{507} c_{p_i} dT = 1290054 \text{ k} \frac{\text{j}}{\text{hr}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M \lambda_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} + m \lambda_{\text{HNO}_3} &= (481.58 * 2260) + (3940.02 * 627) \\ &= 3558763 \text{ k j/hr} \end{aligned}$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = 1290054 + 3558763 = 4848817 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{out}} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{313} C_{P_i} dT_{\text{gases}} + \sum m_i C_{P_i} \Delta T_{\text{liquid}}$$

gas heat between 25 – 40 °C (298- 313k)

Component	CP KJ /Kg .k [3]
O ₂	0.92
N ₂	1.04
NO	1.0
NO ₂	0.81

$$\begin{aligned} m \Delta H_{\text{out}} &= [(114.76 * 0.92) + (3977.07 * 1.04) + (93.81 * 1.0) + (448.16 * 0.81) \\ &] [313 - 298] + [(481.58 * 4.20) + (394.02 * 1.94)] [313 - 298] \\ &= 112284 \text{ k j/hr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta H_{r298} = \sum \Delta H_{f298p} - \sum \Delta H_{f298R}$$

Reaction (1)

$$\Delta H_{r1} = (33.87) - 0 - (90.43)$$

$$= -56.56 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$\Delta H_{r1} = \Delta H_{r2} + \int_{298}^{313} \Delta CPdT$$

$$\int_{298}^{313} \Delta CPdT = \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{NO_2} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{O_2} - \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{NO}$$

$$= [(0.81*46) - (\frac{1}{2})(0.92*32) - (1*30)][313-298]$$

$$= - 112 \text{ J /mol}$$

$$= 0.11 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$\Delta H_{r1} = -56.56 - 0.11$$

$$= -56.67 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$n_1 \text{ reacted} = \left(\frac{573.72}{30}\right)(1000) = 19124 \text{ mol/hr}$$

$$n_1 \Delta H_{r1} = (19124)(-56.67)$$

$$= -1083757 \text{ k j/hr}$$

Reaction (2)

$$\Delta H_{r2} = (90.43) + 2(-173.67) - (-242) - 3(33.87)$$

$$= -116.52 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$\Delta H_{r2} = \Delta H_{r2} + \int_{298}^{313} \Delta CPdT$$

$$313 \quad 298$$

$$\int_{298}^{313} \Delta CPdT = \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{NO} - 2 \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{HNO_3} - \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{H_2O}$$

$$- 3 \int_{298}^{313} CPdT_{NO_2}$$

$$= [(1*30) + 2(1.94*63) - (4.20*18) - 3(0.81*46)] * [(0.81*46)] * [313-298]$$

$$= 1306 \text{ J/mol}$$

$$= 1.31 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$\Delta H_{r2} = -116.5 + 1.31 \implies = -115.21 \text{ kJ/mol H}_2\text{O reacted}$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O reacted } n_1 = \left(\frac{537.87 - 481.58}{17} \right) (1000) = 3127 \text{ mol/hr}$$

$$n_2 \Delta H_{r2} = (3127)(-115.21)$$

$$= -360262 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$4848817 = 112284 - 1083757 - 360262 + Q$$

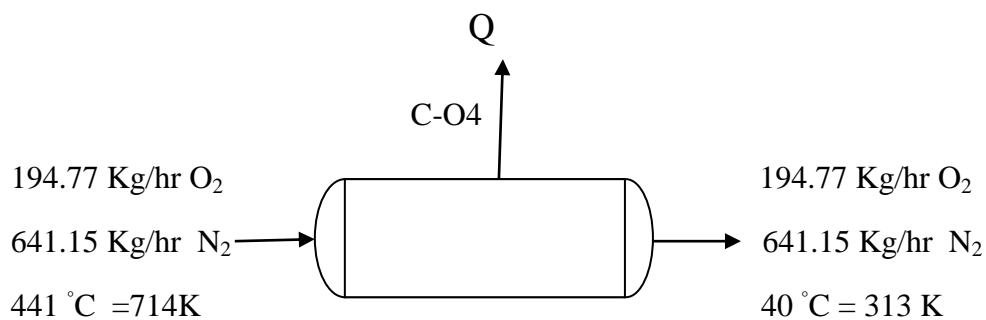
$$Q = 6180552 \text{ K j /hr}$$

$$Q = m c_p \Delta T_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \quad \Delta T_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 40 - 25 = 15 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

$$m = \left(\frac{Q}{c_p \Delta T} \right) = \left(\frac{6180552}{4.2 * 15} \right) = 98104 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

2.2.8 Energy Balance On Cooler

Air is cooled 441 to 40 °C [3]



Energy balance

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = m \Delta H_{\text{out}} + Q$$

$$T_{\text{ref}} = 25^\circ\text{C} = 298 \text{ k}$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{714} c_{pi} dT$$

$$m\Delta H_{in} = \frac{194.77}{32} [28.106(714-298) - \frac{3.68*10^{-6}}{2}(714^2-298^2) + \frac{1.745*10^{-5}}{3}(714^3-298^3) - (\frac{1.065*10^{-8}}{4})(714^4-298^4) + \frac{641.15}{28} [31.15(714-298) - \frac{1.356*10^{-2}}{2}(714^2-298^2)]$$

$$m\Delta H_{in} = 354685 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$m \Delta H_{out} = \Sigma mi \int_{298}^{313} c_{pi} dT$$

$$m\Delta H_{out} = \frac{194.77}{32} [28.106(313-298) - \frac{3.68*10^{-6}}{2}(313^2-298^2) + \frac{1.745*10^{-5}}{3}(313^3-298^3) - (\frac{1.065*10^{-8}}{4})(313^4-298^4) + \frac{641.15}{28} [31.15(313-298) - \frac{1.356*10^{-2}}{2}(313^2-298^2) + \frac{2.679*10^{-5}}{3}(313^3-298^3) - \frac{1.168*10^{-8}}{4} 313^4-298^4)]$$

$$m\Delta H_{out} = 12664 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$354685 = 12664 + Q$$

$$Q = 342021 \text{ k j /hr}$$

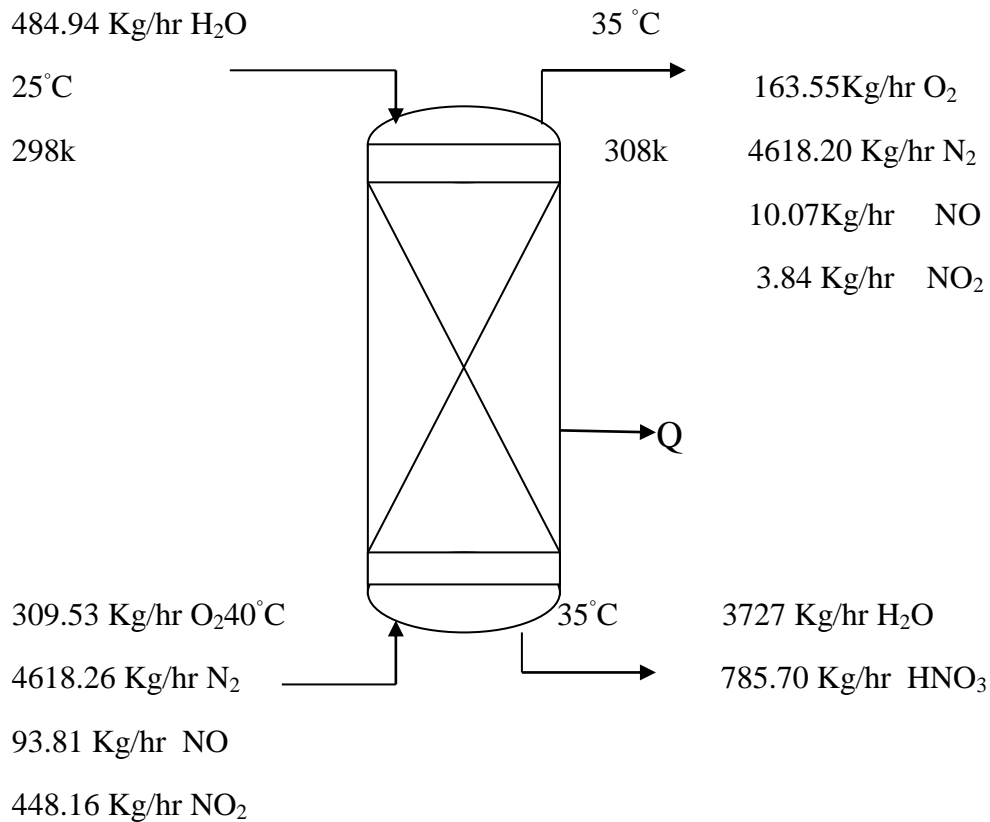
$$Q = mC_p\Delta T_{H_2O} \quad \Delta T_{H_2O} = 40-25 = 15 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} \quad [3]$$

$$m = \left(\frac{Q}{C_p\Delta T_{H_2O}} \right)$$

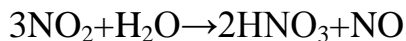
$$= \frac{342021}{4.2*15}$$

$$= 5429 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

2.2.8 Energy Balance on Absorber



Reactions:



Energy balance

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = m \Delta H_{\text{out}} + n_1 \Delta H_{r1} + n_2 \Delta H_{r2}$$

$$T_{\text{ref}} = 25^\circ\text{C} = 298 \text{ k}$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = m C_P \Delta T_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} + \sum m_i \int_{298}^{313} C_{P,i} dT_{\text{gases}}$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = (484.94 * 4.20)(298 - 298) + [(309.53 * 0.92) + (4618.26 * 1.04) + (93.81 * 1) + (448.16 * 0.81)][313 - 298]$$

$$m \Delta H_{\text{in}} = 83169 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$m\Delta H_{\text{out}} = \sum m_i \int_{298}^{308} C_p dT_{\text{gases}} + \sum m_i C_p \Delta T_{\text{liquid}}$$

$$= [(163.55*0.92) + (4618.26*1.04) + (10.07*1) + (3.84*0.81)][308-298] + [(372.70*4.20) + (785.70*1.94)][308-298]$$

$$m\Delta H_{\text{out}} = 80563 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$\Delta H_{r1} = -56.67 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$\text{O}_2 \text{ reacted } n_1 = \left(\frac{309.53 - 163.55}{32} \right) (2) (1000)$$

$$= 9124 \text{ mol/hr}$$

$$n_1 \Delta H_{r1} = (9124)(-56.67)$$

$$= -517057 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$\Delta H_{r2} = -115.21 \text{ k j/mol}$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O reacted} = \left(\frac{484.94 - 372.70}{18} \right) (1000)$$

$$= 6236 \text{ mol/hr}$$

$$n_2 \Delta H_{r2} = (6236)(-115.21)$$

$$= -718450 \text{ k j/hr}$$

$$83169 = 80563 - 517057 - 718450 + Q$$

$$Q = 1071775$$

$$Q = m C_p \Delta T_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \quad \Delta T_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 30 - 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

$$m = \left(\frac{Q}{C_p \Delta T} \right) = \left(\frac{1071775}{4.2 * 5} \right) = 51037 \text{ Kg/hr}$$

CHAPTER THREE

EQUIPMENT DESIGN

3.1 Introduction of Equipment Design

Design is a creative activity, and as such can be one of the most rewarding and satisfying activities undertaken by an engineer. It is the synthesis, the putting together, of ideas to achieve a desired purpose. The design does not exist at the commencement of the project. The designer starts with a specific objective in mind, a need, and by developing and evaluating possible designs, arrives at what he considers the best way of achieving that objective; be it a better chair, a new bridge, or for the chemical engineer, a new chemical product or a stage in the design of a production process. When considering possible ways of achieving the objective the designer will be constrained by many factors, which will narrow down the number of possible designs; but, there will rarely be just one possible solution to the problem, just one design. Several alternative ways of meeting the objective will normally be possible, even several best designs, depending on the nature of the constraints. These constraints on the possible solutions to a problem in design arise in many ways. Some constraints will be fixed, invariable, such as those that arise from physical laws, government regulations, and standards. Others will be less rigid, and will be capable of relaxation by the designer as part of his general strategy in seeking the best design. The constraints that are outside the designer's influence can be termed the external constraints. These set the outer boundary of possible designs; as shown in Figure (3.1). Within this boundary there will be a number of plausible designs bounded by the other constraints, the internal constraints, over which the designer has some control; such as, choice of process, choice of process

conditions, materials, equipment. Economic considerations are obviously a major constraint on any engineering design: plants must make a profit. Time will also be a constraint. The time available for completion of a design will usually limit the number of alternative designs that can be considered⁽³⁾.

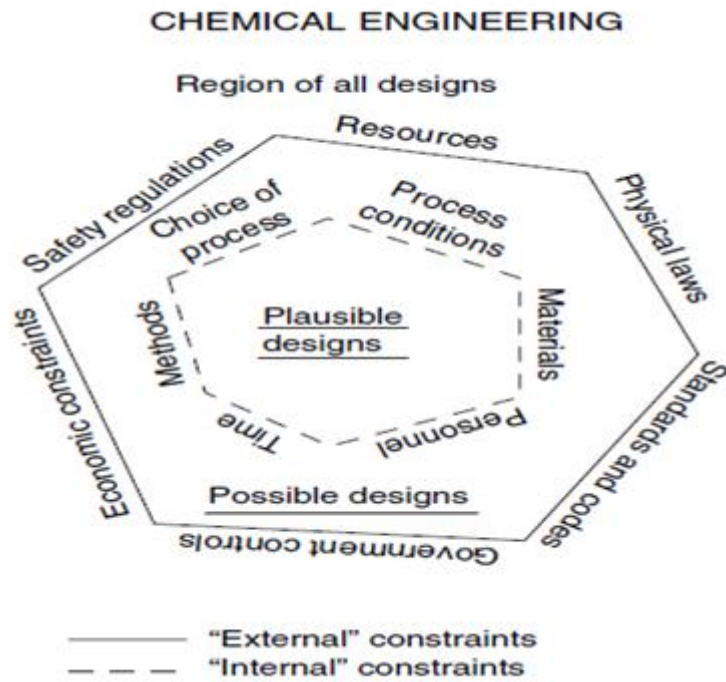
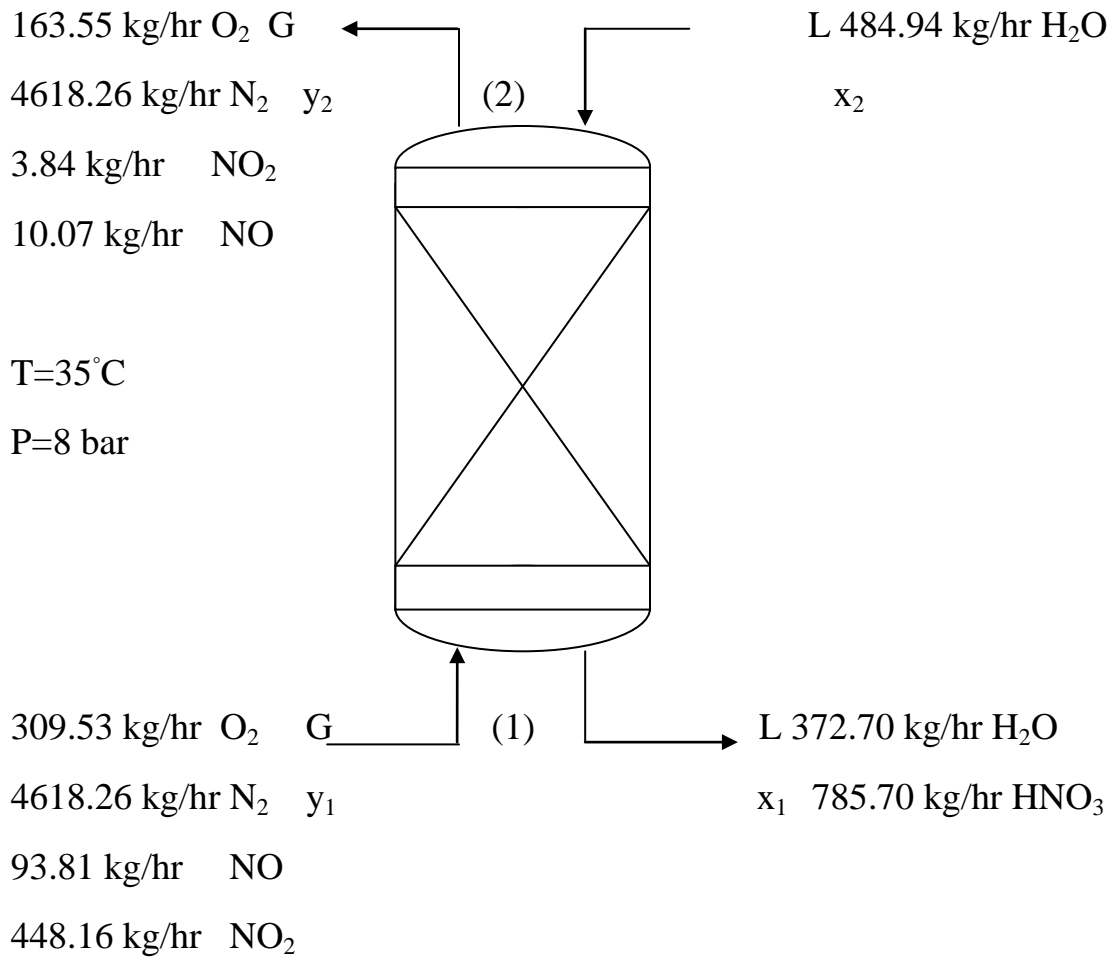


Figure (3.1): Design constrain

3.2 Design of Absorber



Inlet gas

Component	Kg/hr	M .wt	K mol /hr	Mol% y
O ₂	309.53	32	9.673	5.16
N ₂	4618.26	28	164.938	87.98
NO	93.81	30	3.127	1.66
NO ₂	448.81	46	9.743	5.20
Total	5469.76		187.481	

Column diameter

$$F_{L,V} = \left(\frac{L}{G}\right) \left(\frac{\rho_V}{\rho_L}\right)^{0.5} \quad [3]$$

Where :

F_{L,V} = liquid vapour flow factor .

L = liquid mass flow rate kg/s .

G = gas mass flow rate kg/s .

P_v = vapour density kg/m³ .

ρ_L = liquid density kg/m³ .

vapour density

$$\rho_v = \frac{PM_{av}}{RT} \quad [3]$$

$$M_{av} = \sum M_i y_i \quad [3]$$

Where :

M_{av} = average molecular weight kg/k mol.

M_i = molecular weight of component i kg/k mol .

y_i = mol fraction of component i .

$$\begin{aligned} M_{av} &= (32 * 0.0516) + (28 * 0.8798) + (30 * 0.01660) + (46 * 0.052) \\ &= 29.18 \text{ Kg/Kmol} \end{aligned}$$

$$P = 8 \text{ bar} = 800 \text{ kpa} \quad [3]$$

$$T = 35 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} = 308 \text{ K} \quad [3]$$

$$\rho_v = \frac{810.4 * 29.18}{8.314 * 308} = 9.12 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

Liquid density

$$\text{Density of H}_2\text{O at } 35 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} \quad [6]$$

$$\rho_L = 994 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$L = 484.94 \text{ kg/hr}$$

$$L = 0.135 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$G = 5469.76 \text{ kg/hr}$$

$$G = 1.519 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$F_{L,V} = \left(\frac{0.135}{1.519} \right) \left(\frac{9.12}{994} \right)^{0.5} = 0.01$$

$$V_w^* = \left[\frac{K_4 \rho_v (\rho_L - \rho_v)}{13.1 F_P \left(\frac{\mu_L}{\rho_L} \right)^{0.1}} \right]^{0.5} [3]$$

Where:

V_w^* = gas mass flow rate per unit cross – sectional area $\text{kg/m}^2.\text{s}$

K_4 = constant

μ_L = liquid viscosity kg/m.s

F_p = packing factor .

Design pressure drop for absorber from from 15 to 50 mmH_2O /m packing

Select $\Delta p = 42 \text{ mmH}_2\text{O}$ /Packing [3]

For $F_{L,V} = 0.01$ and $\Delta P = 42 \text{ mmH}_2\text{O}$ /m packing

$K_4 = 3$ fig 11.44 [6]

K_4 at flooding = 7 [6]

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Percent flooding} &= \left(\frac{K_4}{K_4 \text{ at flooding}} \right)^{0.5} * 100\% \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{7} \right)^{0.5} * 100\% = 65\%\end{aligned}$$

Select 1 1/2 inch in talox saddle

$F_p = 170 \text{ m}^{-1}$ table 11.2 [3]

Viscosity of H_2O at 35°C

$\mu_L = 0.722$ $\mu_L = 0.722 * 10^{-3} \text{ kg/m.s}$

$$\begin{aligned}V_w^* &= \left[\frac{3 * 9.12 (994 - 9.12)}{13.1 * 170 \left(\frac{0.722 * 10^{-3}}{994} \right)^{0.1}} \right]^{0.5} [3] \\ &= 7.052 \text{ kg/m}^2.\text{s}\end{aligned}$$

$$A = \frac{G}{V_w^*}$$

Where :

A = cross-sectional area of column m^2 .

$$A = \left(\frac{1.519}{7.052} \right) = 0.215 \text{ m}^2$$

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2$$

$$0.215 = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 \quad D = 0.52 \text{ M}$$

Height of column

$$Z = \text{HOG} \cdot \text{NOG} \quad [3]$$

Where :

Z = height of packing m.

HOG = over all height of gas phase transfer unit m.

NOG = number of transfer unit .

$$\text{HOG} = H_g + \frac{mG}{L} H_L \quad [3]$$

Where :

H_g = individual height of gas film transfer unit m.

H_L = individual height of of liquid film transfer unit m.

m = slop of equilibrium line .

G = gas molar flow rate kmol/hr

L = liquid molar flow rate k mol/hr

Absorption with chemical reaction ,vapour pressure of NO₂ over the solution can be negligible .

$$P_A^\circ = 0$$

$$P_A^* = P_A^\circ X_A$$

$$\frac{P_A^*}{P_T} = \frac{P_A^\circ}{P_T} X_A$$

$$y_A^* = m x_A \quad m = \left(\frac{P_A^\circ}{P_T}\right) = 0$$

$$m = \rho_V u A$$

$$u = \frac{m}{A \rho_V}$$

$$u = \frac{1.519}{9.12 \times 0.215}$$

$$= 0.77 \text{ m/s}$$

For $u = 0.77 \text{ m/s}$, 1.5 inch intalox saddle 8 bar and 35°C

$$H_g = 0.65 \text{ m} \quad [7]$$

$$\text{HOG} = H_g = 0.65 \text{ fig 12.21} \quad [7]$$

$$\text{NOG} = \int_{y_2}^{y_1} \frac{dy}{y - y^*} \quad [3]$$

For absorption with chemical reaction $y^* = 0$

$$\text{NOG} = \int_{y_2}^{y_1} \frac{dy}{y} = \text{Ln} \frac{y_1}{y_2}$$

$$y_1 = 0.052$$

$$y_2 = \frac{\frac{3.84}{46}}{\frac{163.55}{32} + \frac{4618.26}{28} + \frac{10.07}{30} + \frac{3.84}{46}} = 0.0005$$

$$\text{NOG} = \text{Ln} \frac{0.052}{0.0005} = 4.64$$

$$Z = (0.65) (4.64)$$

$$= 3.02 \text{ m}$$

Pipe sizing

$$d = 293 G^{0.53} \rho^{-0.37} \quad [3]$$

where:

d = optimum pipe diameter mm .

G = fluid mass flow rate kg/s .

ρ = fluid density kg/m³ .

inlet gases

$$G = 5469.76 \text{ kg/hr} = 1.519 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$\rho = 9.12 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$d = 293 (1.519)^{0.53} (9.12)^{-0.37} = 162\text{mm} = 6 \frac{1}{2} \text{ inch}$$

outlet gases

$$G = 4795.72 \text{ kg/hr} = 1.332 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$\rho = 8.79 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$d = 293 (1.332)^{0.53} (8.79)^{-0.37} = 153\text{mm} = 6 \text{ inch}$$

inlet liquid

$$G = 484.94 \text{ kg/hr} = 0.135 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$\rho = 994 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$d = 293 (0.135)^{0.53} (994)^{-0.37} = 8\text{mm} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ inch}$$

outlet liquid

$$G = 1158.4\text{kg/hr} = 0.322\text{kg/s}$$

$$\rho = 1390 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$d = 293 (0.322)^{0.53} (1390)^{-0.37} = 11 \text{ mm} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ inch}$$

Mechanical design

Shell

$$e = \frac{P_i D_i}{2F - P_i} + c \quad [3]$$

where

e = thickness of shell mm.

P_i = Design pressure N/ mm² .

D_i = shell inside diameter mm .

f = design stress N/ mm² .

C = corrosion constant mm.

$$d = 0.52 \text{ m} = 520 \text{ mm}$$

operating pressure = 8 bar

design pressure p_i = 1.1 *8 = 8.8 atm N/mm²

$$C = 2 \text{ mm} \quad [3]$$

At T= 35 °C design stress of high silicon iron

$$f = 135 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ Table 13.2} \quad [3]$$

$$e = \frac{0.88*520}{2*135-0.88} + 2 = 3 \text{ mm}$$

Ellipsoidal head

$$e = \frac{Pi \cdot Di}{2Jf - 0.2Pi} + c \quad [3]$$

where

e = thickness of ellipsoidal head mm .

J = joint factor = 0.8 [3]

$$e = \frac{0.88 \cdot 520}{2 \cdot 0.8 \cdot 135 - 0.2 \cdot 0.88} + 2 = 3 \text{ mm}$$

supports

weight loads

weight of vessel (shell)

$$W_V = C_V \pi \rho_m D_m g (H_V + 0.8D_m) t \cdot 10^{-3} \quad [3]$$

where

W_V = total weight of shell excluding internal fitting N .

C_V = constant.

ρ_m = density of vessel material kg/m^3 .

H_V = height (length) of shell m .

D_m = mean diameter of shell m.

t = wall thickness mm

t = e = 3mm

$C_V = 1.15$ [3]

$\rho_m = 7100 \text{ kg/m}^3$ [4]

$D_m = (Di + t \cdot 10^{-3})$ [3]

$$D_m = (0.52 + 3 \times 10^{-3}) = 0.523 \text{ m}$$

$$H_v = 3.02 \text{ m}$$

$$W_v = 1.15\pi * 7100 * 0.523 * 9.81 (3.02 + 0.8 * 0.523)(3 * 10^{-3})$$

$$W_v = 1358 \text{ N}$$

Weight of fluid

$$W_f = v \rho g \quad [3]$$

Where

W_f = Weight of fluid N .

V = volume of fluid m^3 .

ρ = density of fluid kg / m^3 .

$$W_f = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.52)^2 (3.02) (1390) (9.81) = 8746 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$W = w_v + w_f$ total weight

$$W = 1358 + 8746 = 10104 \text{ N}$$

Added 10% above total weight

$$W = 1.1 (10104) = 11114 \text{ N}$$

design of bracket support

$$F_{bs} = 60 L_c t_c \quad [3]$$

Where

F_{bs} = design load per bracket N.

L_c = depth of bracket mm.

t_c = thickness of plate mm.

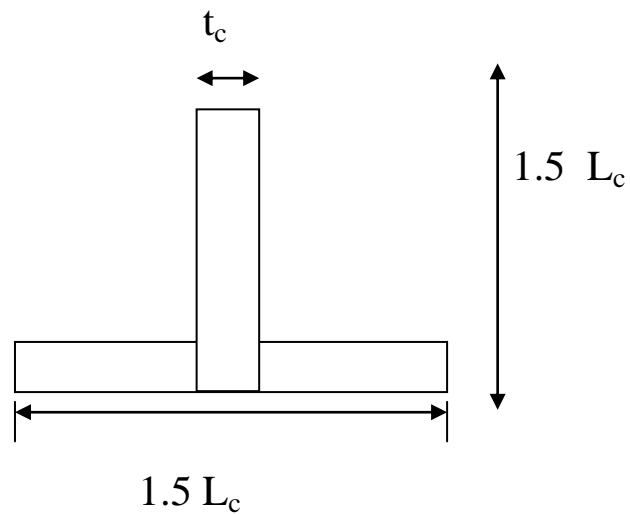
use four brackets

$$F_{bs} = \frac{11114}{4} = 2779 \text{ N}$$

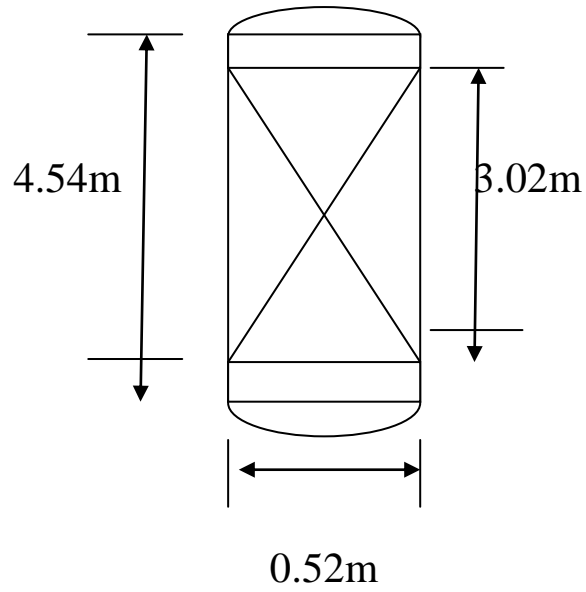
Take $t_c = 3 \text{ mm}$

$$2779 = 60 * 3 L_c$$

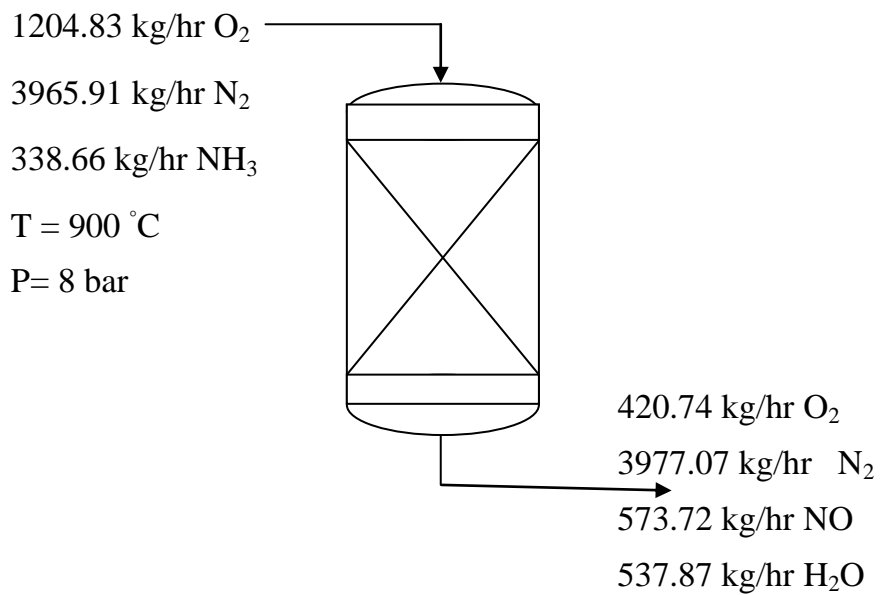
$$L_c = 16 \text{ mm}$$



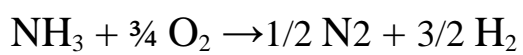
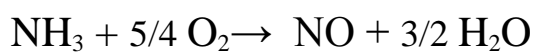
Type	Packed
Length packed	3.02 m
Diameter	0.52m
Volum $= \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 L$	0.614
Temp. °C	35 °C
Pressure bar	8 bar
Material of count	High silicon iron



3.3 Design of fixed bed reactor



Reaction



Kinetic

On the basis of mass transfer control the rate of ammonia oxidation may be written in term of mass transfer coefficient with the ammonia partial pressure at the catalyst surface assumed to be zero for this rapid reaction

$$-r_A = k_g a_{wR} P_A \dots\dots (1)$$

$$-r_A = \text{rate of reaction } \text{gmol } (NH_3) / (\text{cm} \cdot \text{s}).$$

K_{gA} = mass transfer coefficient.

a_{wR} = interfacial surface per unit volume cm^2/cm^3 .

P_A = the partial pressure of NH_3 in the bulk fluid (*atm*).

$$P_A = y_A P$$

Where:

y_A = initial mole fraction of NH_3 .

P = total pressure (*atm*).

$$-r_A = k_g \cdot a_{wR} \cdot y_A P \dots\dots (1) \quad [10]$$

For plug flow

$$\left(\frac{-G}{M_F}\right) dy_A = (-r_A) dz \dots\dots (2) \quad [10]$$

$$(-r_A) dz = K_g \cdot a_{wR} \cdot y_A P dz \quad [10]$$

D_z = height of bed = $f_w \cdot d_{ns} / a_{wR}$

f_w = wire area per gauze cross section area.

N_s = number of gauze

$$(-r_A)dz = K_g \cdot a_{wR} \cdot y_A P \frac{f_w d_{ns}}{a_{wR}}$$

$$(-r_A)dz = K_g \cdot y_A P f_w d_{ns} \dots \dots (5) \quad [10]$$

Substitution (3) in (2) we get

$$-\frac{G}{M_f} d_{y_A} = K_g \cdot y_A P f_w d_{ns}$$

G = mass flow rate per unit cross section area $\text{gm/cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}$

M_f = molecular weight of feed gm/mol

$$-\int_{y_{A1}}^{y_{A2}} \frac{d_{y_A}}{y_A} = \frac{M_f}{G} \text{kg} \cdot P f_w \int_0^{ns} d_{ns}$$

$$\ln \frac{y_{A1}}{y_{A2}} = \frac{M_f}{G} \text{kg} \cdot P \cdot f_w \cdot ns$$

$$y_{A2} = y_{A1}(1 - x_A)$$

x_A = conversion

$$\ln \frac{y_{A1}}{y_{A1}(1 - x_A)} = \frac{M_f}{G} \text{kg} \cdot P \cdot f_w \cdot ns$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{(1 - x_A)} = \frac{M_f}{G} \text{kg} \cdot P \cdot f_w \cdot ns$$

$$\ln(1 - X_A) = -\frac{M_f}{G} \text{kg} \cdot p \cdot f_w \cdot ns \dots \dots (4)$$

$$k_g = \frac{0.865 NRe^{-0.648} \cdot G}{PN^{\frac{2}{3}} MmE} [10]$$

Where:

$$N_{Re} = \text{Reynolds number} = \left(G \frac{d_w}{\mu \epsilon} \right) [10]$$

$$N_{sc} = \text{Schmidt number} = \frac{\mu}{\rho D} [10]$$

G = mass flow rate per unit cross-section area $\text{gm/cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}$

d_w = diameter of wire cm .

μ = fluid viscosity $(\text{gm/cm} \cdot \text{s})$.

ρ = fluid density (gm/cm^3)

D = diffusivity of NH_3 in air (cm^2/s) .

Mm = molecular weight of mixture gm/gmol .

ϵ = voidage

$$Kg = \frac{(0.865 \mu^{0.648} \epsilon^{0.648} \rho^{0.667} D^{0.667} G)}{(G^{0.648} d_w^{0.648} \mu^{0.667} Mm \epsilon)}$$

$$Kg = \frac{(0.865 \rho^{0.667} D^{0.667} G)}{(G^{0.648} d_w^{0.648} \mu^{0.019} PMm \epsilon^{0.352})} \dots \dots \dots (5)$$

Substitution(5) in (4)

$$\ln(1 - x_A) = \frac{\left(-\frac{MF}{G} \right) (0.865 \rho^{0.667} D^{0.667} \epsilon P f_w \cdot ns)}{(G^{0.648} d_w^{0.648} \mu^{0.019} PMm \epsilon^{0.352})}$$

$$\frac{Mf}{Mm} \cong 1$$

$$\ln(1 - xA) = \frac{(0.865ns fw \rho^{0.667} D^{0.667})}{\epsilon^{0.352} G^{0.648} dw^{0.648} \mu^{0.019}}$$

Type of catalyst 90% Pt_10% Rh [11]

Gauze mesh nw = 80 [10]

Gauze diameter = 180mm = 18cm [10]

The gauze wire diameter dw = 0.003 inch [10] = 0.0076 cm

$$a_{WR} = \pi nw^2 \left[\left(\frac{1}{nw} \right)^2 + dw^2 \right]^{0.5} [10]$$

$$a_{WR} = \pi 80^2 \left[\left(\frac{1}{80} \right)^2 + 0.003^2 \right]^{0.5} [10]$$

$$a_{WR} = 258 \text{ in}^{-1}$$

$$= 102 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$fw = a_{WR} \cdot 2dw [10]$$

$$= (258)(2)(0.003) = 1.55 \text{ in}$$

$$\epsilon = 1 - \frac{a_{WR} dw}{4} [10]$$

$$\epsilon = 1 - \frac{(258)(0.003)}{4}$$

$$\epsilon = 0.8065$$

$$\rho_{\text{mix}} = \frac{(M_{\text{mix}})}{(ZRT)}$$

ρ_{mix} = density of mixture gm/cm^3

M_{mix} = average molecular weight

Comp.	Kg/hr	M.W	K mol/hr	Mol% y	T _C K	P _C bar
O ₂	1204.83	32	37.651	18.90	154.6	50.5
N ₂	3965.91	28	141.640	71.10	126.2	33.3
NH ₃	338.66	17	19.921	10.00	405.6	112.8
Total	5509.4		199.212	100		

$$\dot{T}_c = \sum T_{ci} y_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_c &= (154.6 \cdot 0.1896) + (126.2 \cdot 0.7110) + (405.6 \cdot 0.10) \\ &= 159.5 \text{ k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{P}_c = \sum P_{ci} y_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (50.5 \cdot 0.1890) + (33.9 \cdot 0.7110) + (112.8 \cdot 0.10) \\ &= 44.9 \text{ bar} \end{aligned}$$

$$Tr = \frac{T}{\dot{T}_c}$$

$$Tr = \frac{900 + 273}{159.5} = 7.35$$

$$Pr = \frac{P}{\dot{P}_c}$$

$$= \frac{8}{44.9}$$

$$= 0.18$$

For Tr=7.35 and Pr= 0.18

Z1 = 1 Fig.(3-8) [3]

$$M_{av.} = \sum M_i y_i$$

$$= (32 * 0.1890) + (28 * 0.7110) + (17 * 0.10)$$

$$= 27.66 \text{ kg/kmol}$$

$$= 27.66 \text{ gm/mol}$$

$$T = 900c^\circ = 1173 \text{ k}^\circ \quad [\text{film temperature}]$$

$$P = 8 \text{ bar} = 800 \text{ kpa}$$

$$Pv = \frac{(800 * 27.66)}{(8.314 * 1173)} = 2.27 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$= 2.27 * 10^{-3} \text{ gm/cm}^3$$

$$\mu_{mix} = (12.5 + 29.20 * 10^{-3} T) * 10^{-5}$$

Where:

Viscosity of mixture $gm/cm.s$

$$T = \text{temperature } k^\circ$$

$$\mu_{mix} = (12.5 + 29.20 * 10^{-3} * 1173) * 10^{-5}$$

$$= 46.8 * 10^{-5} \text{ gm/cm.s}$$

$$D = 0.227(T/293)^{1.5} (1/P) \quad [10]$$

Where:

$D = \text{diffusivity of NH}_3 \text{ in air } cm^2/s$

$T = \text{temperature } K$

$P = \text{pressure atm.}$

$$P = 8 \text{ bar} * \left(\frac{\text{atm}}{1.013 \text{ bar}} \right) = 7.897 \text{ atm}$$

$$D = 0.227 \left(\frac{1173}{293} \right)^{1.5} \left(\frac{1}{7.897} \right)$$

$$D = 0.230 \text{ cm}^2/s$$

$$\text{Mass flow } m = 5509.4 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{h}} * \frac{1000 \text{ gm}}{\text{kg}} * \frac{\text{h}}{3600 \text{ s}}$$

$$m = 1530.4 \text{ gm/s}$$

$$G = \rho u \quad [3]$$

u = gas velocity cm/s

$$u = 28 \text{ Ft/sec} \quad (\text{given})$$

$$u = 28 \frac{\text{Ft}}{\text{sec}} * \frac{30.48 \text{ cm}}{\text{Ft}} = 853.44 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{s}}$$

$$G = \rho u$$

$$G = 2.27 * 10^{-3} * 853.44$$

$$= 1.937 \text{ gm/cm}^2.\text{s}$$

$$G = \frac{m}{A} \Rightarrow A = \frac{m}{G}$$

$$A = \frac{1530.4}{1.937} = 790.1 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4} Dr^2$$

$$790.1 = \frac{\pi}{4} Dr$$

$$Dr = 32 \text{ cm}$$

$$\ln(1 - 0.9999) = \frac{(-0.865 \text{ ns})(1.55)(2.27 * 10^{-3})(0.230)}{(0.8065)0.0076(1.937)(48.6 * 10^{-3})}$$

$$\ln(1 - 0.9999) = -0.1664 \text{ ns}$$

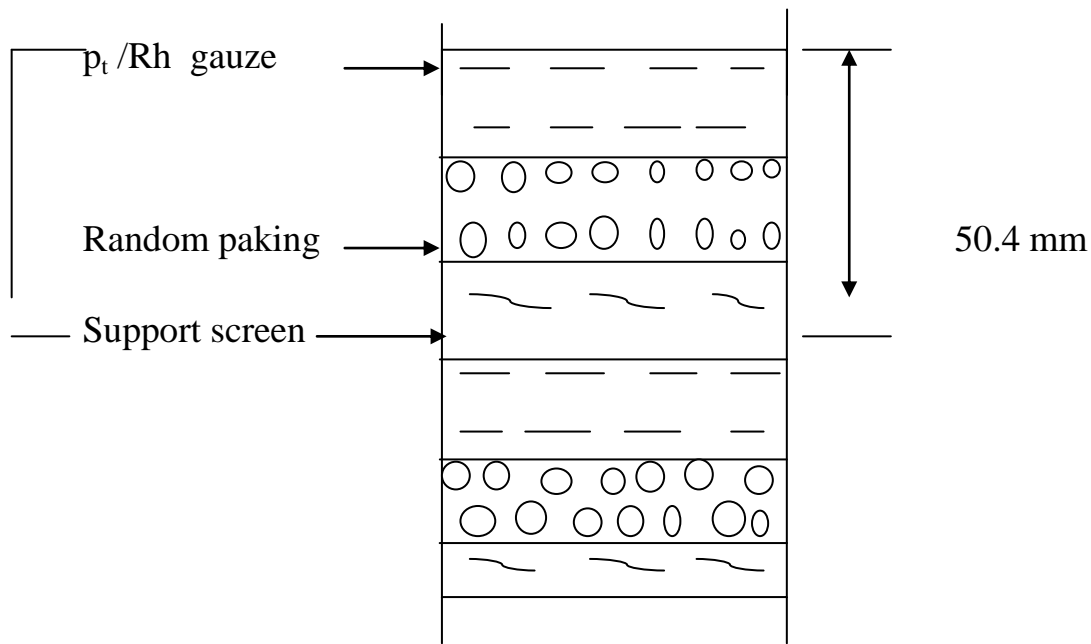
$$ns = 56 \text{ gauze}$$

$$\text{thickness of one layer} = 2 \text{ inch} = 50.4 \text{ mm}$$

Each layer containing two gauzes

$$\text{No. of layer} = \frac{56}{2} = 28$$

$$\text{Total length of bed} = 28 * 50.4 = 1411 \text{ mm} = 1.411 \text{ m}$$



Pipe sizing

$$d = 260 G^{0.52} \rho^{-0.37} [3]$$

Where:

d=optimum pipe diameter.

G=fluid mass flow rate kg/s.

ρ =fluid density kg/m^3

Inlet gases

$$G = 5509.40 \frac{kg}{h} = 1.530 \frac{kg}{s}$$

$$\rho = 5.25 kg/m^3$$

$$d = 260(1.530)^{0.52} (5.25)^{-0.37}$$

$$= 176mm \cong 7inch$$

Outlet gases

$$G = 1.530 \frac{kg}{s}$$

$$\rho = 2.21 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$d = 260(1.530)^{0.52} (2.21)^{-0.37}$$

$$= 242\text{mm} \cong 9.5 \text{ inch}$$

Mechanical design

Shell

$$e = \frac{P_i D_i}{2F - P_i} + c \quad [3]$$

Where:

c =thickness of shell mm.

P_i =design pressure N/mm^2 .

D_i =inside shell diameter .

F =design stress N/mm.

c = corrosion constant.

$D_i = 0.32\text{m}=320\text{mm}$.

Operating pressure =8 bar.

Design pressure $P_i=1.1*8=8.8 \text{ bar}=0.88 N/mm^2$.

$c= 1\text{mm}$

at $T = 900 C^\circ$ design stress of stainless steel

$F=55 N/mm^2$ Table 13.2 [3]

$$e = \frac{0.88 * 320}{2 * 55 - 0.88} + 1 = 4\text{mm}$$

Ellipsoidal head

$$e = \frac{Pi Di}{2jf - 0.2Pi} + c \quad [3]$$

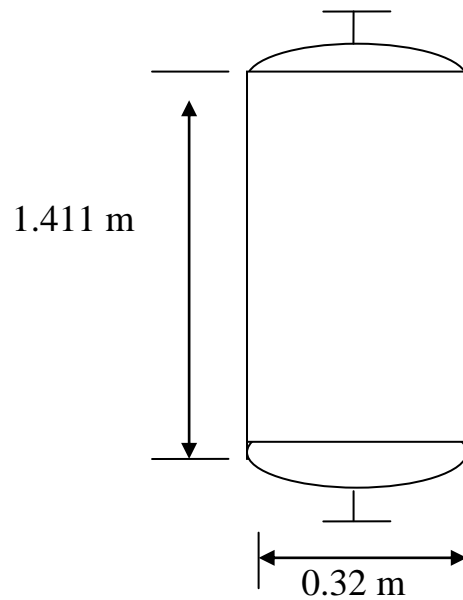
Where:

c=thickness of ellipsoidal head mm.

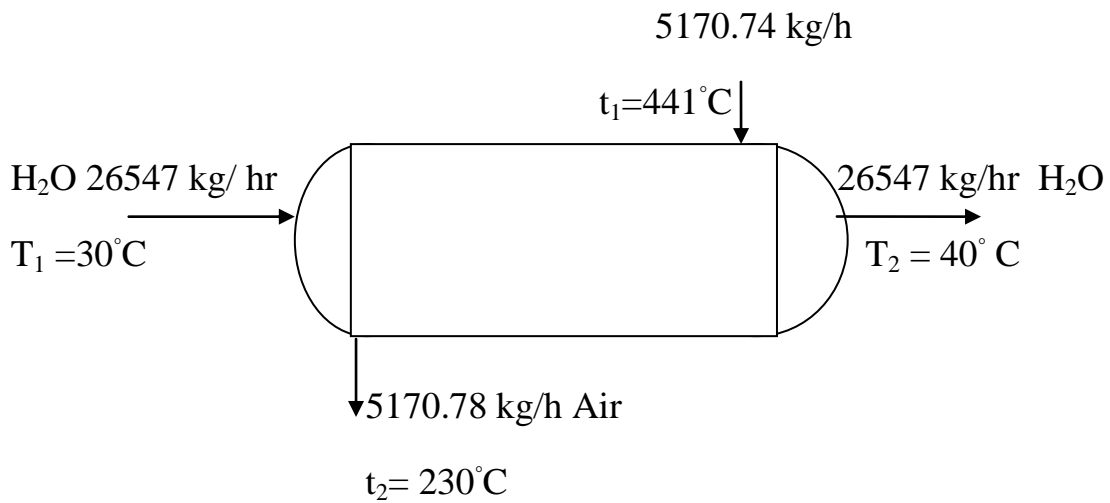
J=joint factor = 0.8 [3]

$$e = \frac{0.88 * 320}{2 * 0.8 * 5 - 0.2 * 0.88} + 1 = 4mm.$$

Type	Fixed bed
Volume m ³	0.11342
Height m	1.411
Diameter m	0.32
Material of const	St.st



3.4 Design of Heat Exchanger



Tube Side (Air)

$$t_1 = 441 \text{ C}$$

$$t_2 = 230 \text{ C}$$

shell Side (Water)

$$T_1 = 30 \text{ C}$$

$$T_2 = 40 \text{ C}$$

$$Q = UA T_{lm} F$$

Where

Q = heat transferred per unit time W.

U = Overall heat transfer Coefficient W/m .C

A = heat transfer area m .

T_m = the mean temperature difference C.

F = Correction factor

From Energy balance $Q = 1114966 \text{ KJ/h}$

$$Q = 1114966 \cdot \frac{\text{KJ}}{\text{h}} \cdot \frac{1000\text{J}}{\text{KJ}} \cdot \frac{\text{h}}{3600\text{S}}$$

$$Q = 309713 \text{ W}$$

$$\Delta T_{lm} = \frac{(T_1 - t_2) - (T_2 - t_1)}{\ln \frac{T_1 - t_2}{T_2 - t_1}} \quad [3]$$

$$\Delta T_{lm} = \frac{(30 - 230) - (40 - 441)}{\ln \left(\frac{30 - 230}{40 - 441} \right)}$$

$$\Delta T_{lm} = 288.9$$

Use one shell and two tube passes

$$R = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{t_2 - t_1}$$

$$R = \frac{30 - 40}{230 - 441} = 0.05$$

$$S = \frac{t_2 - t_1}{T_1 - t_1}$$

$$S = \frac{230 - 441}{30 - 441} = 0.51$$

For $R = 0.05$ and $S = 0.51$ $F=1$ From fig.12.19 [3]

For Water gases system

$$U = 20 - 300 \quad \text{Table 13-1} \quad [3]$$

By trial and error assume $U = 100 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{C}$

$$A = \frac{Q}{U \Delta T_{lm} F} = \frac{309713}{100 * 288.9 * 1} = 10.72 \text{ m}^2$$

Select

Tube length $L = 1.83 \text{ m}$

Tube out Sid diameter $d_o = 50 \text{ mm}$ [3]

Tube thickness = 3.2 mm

$$d_i = d_o - 2 * 3.2$$

$$= 50 - 2 \times 3.2 = 43.6 \text{ mm} = 0.0436 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Surface area of one tube} = \pi D L$$

$$= \pi \times 0.05 \times 1.83$$

$$= 0.287 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{No. Of tube} = \frac{\text{Total area}}{\text{area of one tube}}$$

$$N_t = \frac{10.72}{0.287} = 38$$

Tube Side coefficient h_i

$$\text{Mean tube temperature } t_m = \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}$$

$$= \frac{441 + 230}{2} = 336 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} = 609 \text{ K}$$

$$P_v = \frac{PM}{RT}$$

$$P = 8 \text{ bar} = 800 \text{ kpa}$$

$$T = 336 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} = 609 \text{ K}$$

$$P_v = \frac{800 \times 29}{8.314 \times 609} = 4.58 \text{ Kg/m}^3$$

$$C_p = 1.022 \text{ KJ/Kg.C}$$

$$K = 0.048 \text{ w/m.c}$$

$$\mu = 0.03 \text{ centipoises} = 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Ns/m}^2$$

$$\text{No. of tube per pass} = \frac{38}{2} = 19$$

$$\text{Mass flow rate per tube } m = \frac{5170.74}{19 \times 3600}$$

$$m = 0.0756 \text{ Kg/s}$$

$$m = \rho u A$$

Where

m = mass flow rate kg/h

P = Fluid density kg/m³

U = Fluid velocity m/s

A = cross section area of tube m²

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4}d^2 = \frac{\pi}{4}(0.0436)^2 = 1.49 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$$

$$11.08 \text{ m/s} = U = \frac{m}{\rho A} = \frac{0.0756}{4.58 \times 1.49 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$Re = \frac{\rho u d_i}{\mu} = \frac{4.58 \times 11.08 \times 0.0436}{3 \times 10^{-5}} = 73751 > 210$$

$$Nu = 0.021 Re^{0.8} Pr^{0.33} \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_w}\right)^{0.14} \quad [3]$$

$$Nu = \text{Nusselt number} = \frac{h_i d_i}{k}$$

$$Pr = \text{prondtl number} = \frac{cp \mu}{k}$$

h_i = inside fluid film coefficient w/m².°c

d_i = inside tube diameter

k = fluid thermal conductivity w/m.°c

ρ = Fluid density kg/m³

μ = fluid viscosity kg/m.s

cp = fluid heat capacity J/kg.°c

u = fluid velocity m/s

$$Re = 73751$$

$$Pr = \frac{cp \mu}{k} = \frac{1.022 \times 10^3 \times 3 \times 10^{-5}}{0.048} = 0.64$$

$$\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_w}\right)^{0.14} = 1 \quad [3]$$

$$Nu = 0.021(73751)^{0.8} (0.64)^{0.33} (1)^{0.14}$$

$$Nu = 142.06$$

$$Nu = \frac{h_i d_i}{k} = 142.06 = \frac{h_i * 0.0436}{0.048}$$

$$h_i = 156 \text{ w/m}^2 \cdot \text{°c}$$

Shell side coefficient h_o

$$\text{Mean shell temperature } T_m = \frac{T_1 + T_2}{2}$$

$$T_m = \frac{30 + 40}{2} = 35^\circ\text{C}$$

$$P = 994 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= 0.72 \text{ c.p} \\ &= 7.2 * 10^{-4} \text{ Ns/m}^2 [6] \end{aligned}$$

$$C_p = 4.20 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{°C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K &= 147 * 10^{-5} \text{ cal/cm} \cdot \text{°C} \\ &= 0.617 \text{ w/m} \cdot \text{°C} \end{aligned}$$

$$Nu = J_n Re Pr^{0.33} \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_w} \right)^{0.14} [3]$$

Where

$$Nu = \text{Nusselt number} = \frac{h_o d_e}{k}$$

$$Re = \text{Reynolds number} = \frac{\rho u_s d_e}{\mu}$$

$$Pr = \text{Prandtl number} = \frac{c_p \mu}{k}$$

h_o = out side fluid film coefficient $\text{w/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$

d_e = equivalent diameter m

k = fluid thermal conductivity $\text{w/m} \cdot \text{°c}$

ρ = Fluid density kg/m^3

μ = fluid viscosity $\text{kg/m} \cdot \text{s}$

c_p = fluid heat capacity $\text{J/kg} \cdot \text{°c}$

u_s = fluid velocity m/s

use square tube pitch $p_t = 1.25 d_o$

$$d_e = \frac{1.27}{d_o} (p_t^2 - 0.785 d_o^2) \quad [3]$$

Where

d_o , d_e and p_t in mm

$$d_o = 50\text{mm}$$

$$P_t = 1.25(50) = 62.5\text{mm}$$

$$d_e = \frac{1.27}{50} (62.5^2 - 0.785 * 50^2) = 49.4\text{mm}$$

$$= 0.0494\text{m}$$

$$D_b = d_o \left(\frac{N_t}{k_1} \right)^{1/n_1} \quad [3]$$

Where

D_b = bundle diameter mm

N_t = total number of tube

K_1 and n_1 = constant

For square tube pitch and two tube passes

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} K_1 = 0.156 \\ N_1 = 2.291 \end{array} \right\} \text{Table 12.4 [3]}$$

$$D_b = 50 \left(\frac{38}{0.156} \right)^{1/2.291} = 551 \text{ mm}$$

For bundle diameter $D_o = 551$ mm and split ring floating head

$$D_s - D_b = 60 \text{ mm} \quad \text{Fig 12.10}$$

$$D_s - 551 = 60 \implies D_s = 611 \text{ mm} = 0.611 \text{ m}$$

$$A_s = \left(\frac{p_t - d_o}{p_t} \right) (D_s L B) \quad [3]$$

Where

A_s = Cross flow area m^2

l_B = baffle Spacing m

$$l_B = (0.20 \text{ to } 1) \text{ shell diameter} \quad [3]$$

$$l_B = 0.5D_s$$

$$l_B = 0.5(0.611) = 0.306 \text{ m}$$

$$A_s = \frac{62.5 - 50}{62.5} (0.611 - 0.306) = 0.0374 \text{ m}^2$$

$$G_s = \frac{W_s}{A_s}$$

Where

G_s = mass velocity $\text{kg/m}^2 \cdot \text{s}$

W_s = mass flow rate kg/s

$$W_s = 26547 \text{ kg/h}$$

$$= 7.374 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$G_s = \frac{7.374}{0.0374} = 197.17 \text{ kg/m}^2 \cdot \text{s}$$

$$G_s = \rho_s u_s \implies u_s = \frac{G_s}{\rho_s} = \frac{197.17}{994} = 0.2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Re = \frac{G_s d_e}{\mu} = \frac{197.17 * 0.0494}{7.2 * 10^{-4}} = 13640$$

For $Re = 1360$ and 25% baffle cut $J_n = 5 * 10^{-3}$ [3]

$$Pr = \frac{c_p \mu}{k} = \frac{4.2 * 10^3 * 7.210^{-4}}{0.617} = 4.90$$

$$Nu = 5 * 10^{-3} (13640) (4.90)^{0.33} \quad (1)$$

$$Nu = 115.23$$

$$Nu = \frac{h_o d_r}{\mu}$$

$$115.23 = \frac{h_o * 0.0494}{0.617}$$

$$h_o = 1439 \text{ w/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$$

Over all heat transfer Coefficient U

$$\frac{1}{U^\circ} = \frac{1}{h_o} + \frac{1}{h_{od}} + \frac{d_o \ln d_o/d_i}{2kw} + \frac{d_o}{d_i} \cdot \frac{1}{h_{id}} + \frac{d_o}{d_i} \cdot \frac{1}{h_i} \quad [3]$$

Where

U° = over all heat transfer coefficient $\text{w/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$

h_o = out side fluid film coefficient $\text{w/ m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$

h_{od} = outside dirt coefficient $\text{w/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$.

d_o = tube outside diameter m.

Kw = thermal conductivity of tube wall material $\text{w/m} \cdot \text{c}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} h_{id} = 3000 \\ h_{od} = 4000 \end{array} \right\} \text{Table 12.2 [3]}$$

Thermal conductivity of stainless steel

$Kw = 16 \text{ w/m} \cdot \text{c}$ Table 12.6 [3]

$$\frac{1}{U^\circ} = \frac{1}{1439} + \frac{1}{4000} + \frac{0.05 \ln 0.05/0.0436}{2 \cdot 16} + \frac{0.05}{0.0436} \cdot \frac{1}{3000} + \frac{0.05}{0.0436} \cdot \frac{1}{4000}$$

$$U^\circ = 112 \text{ N/m} = 112 \text{ N/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$$

$$U^\circ_{\text{ass}} = 100 \text{ w/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$$

Assume $U = 120 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{c}$

$$A = \frac{309713}{120 \cdot 288.9 \cdot 1} = 8.93 \text{ m}^2$$

$$Nt = \frac{8.93}{0.287} = 32$$

$$\text{No. of tube per pass} = \frac{34}{2} = 16$$

$$\text{Flow rate per tube} = \frac{5170.74}{16 \times 3600}$$

$$m = 0.0898 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$U = \frac{0.0898}{4.58 \times 1.49 \times 10^{-3}} = 13.16 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{Re} = \frac{4.58 \times 13.16 \times 0.0436}{3 \times 10^{-5}} = 87596$$

$$\text{Nu} = 0.021 (87596)^{0.8} (0.64)^{0.33} (1)$$

$$\text{Nu} = 163.02$$

$$163.02 = \frac{h_i \times 0.0436}{0.048} \implies h_i = 179 \text{ w/m} \cdot ^\circ\text{C}$$

Shell side coefficient h_o

$$D_b = 50 \left(\frac{32}{0.156} \right)^{1/2.291} = 511 \text{ mm}$$

For $D_b = 511 \text{ mm}$ and split ring floating head type

$$D_s - D_b = 58 \implies D_s = 569 \text{ mm} \quad [3]$$

$$= 0.569 \text{ m}$$

$$L_b = 0.5(0.569) = 0.285 \text{ m}^2$$

$$A_s = \left(\frac{62.5 - 50}{62.5} \right) (0.569 \times 0.285) = 0.0324 \text{ m}^2$$

$$G_s = \frac{7.374}{0.0324} = 227.59 \text{ kg/m}^2 \cdot \text{s}$$

$$\text{Re} = \frac{994 \times 0.23 \times 0.0494}{7.2 \times 10^{-4}} = 15686$$

For $\text{Re} = 15686$ and 25% baffle cut

$$J_n = 5 \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{Fig 12.29} \quad [3]$$

$$\text{Nu} = 5 \times 10^{-3} (15686) (4.90)^{0.33} (1)$$

$$\text{Nu} = 132.51$$

$$132.51 = \frac{h_o \times 0.0494}{0.617} \implies h_o = 1655 \text{ w/m}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\frac{1}{U^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{1655} + \frac{1}{4000} + \frac{0.05 \ln 0.05/0.0436}{2 \cdot 16} + \frac{0.05}{0.0436} \cdot \frac{1}{3000} + \frac{0.05}{0.0436} \cdot \frac{1}{175}$$

$$U^{\circ} = 127 \text{ w/m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{c}$$

$$U_{\text{ass}} = 120 \text{ w/m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{c}$$

$$\text{Error} = \frac{127-120}{127} * 100 \% = 5\%$$

Tube side pressure drop

$$\Delta p_t = N_P [8 j_f \left(\frac{l}{d_i}\right) \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_W}\right)^{-0.14} + 2.5] \left[\frac{\rho u_t^2}{2}\right] \quad [3]$$

Where

Δp_t = tube side pressure drop N/m^2

N_P = no. of tube passese

j_f = friction factor

u_t = tube side velocity m/s .

for $\text{Re} = 87596$

$j_f = 2.8 * 10^{-3}$ fig 12.24

$$\Delta p_t = 2 [8 * 2.8 * 10^{-3} \left(\frac{1.83}{0.0436}\right) (1)^{-0.14} + 2.5] \left[\frac{4.58 * 13.16^2}{2}\right] \quad [3]$$

$$= 2729 \text{ N/m}^2$$

= 2.73 kpa = 0.4 psi < 10psia ok

Shell side pressure drop

$$\Delta p_t = 8 j_f \left(\frac{D_S}{d_e}\right) \left(\frac{l}{l_B}\right) \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_W}\right)^{-0.14} \left[\frac{\rho u_t^2}{2}\right] \quad [3]$$

Where

Δp_s = shell side pressure drop N/m^2

u_s = shell side velocity m/s .

for Re = 15686 and 25% baffle cut

$j_f = 4.7 * 10^{-2}$ fig 12.30

$$\Delta P_s = 8 * 4.7 * 10^{-2} \left(\frac{0.569}{0.0494} \right) \left(\frac{1.83}{0.285} \right) \left(\frac{994 * 0.23^2}{2} \right) (1)^{-0.14}$$

$$= 731 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$= 0.73 \text{ kpa} = 0.11 \text{ psi} < 10 \text{ psia Ok}$$

Pipe sizing

$$d = 260 G^{0.52} P^{-0.37} \quad [3]$$

Where

d = optimum pipe diameter mm

G = fluid mass flow rate kg/m^3

P = fluid density kg/m^3

Inlet and out let air

$$G = 5170.74 \text{ kg/h} = 1.436 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$P = 4.58 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$D = 260(1.436)^{0.52} (4.58)^{-0.37} = 179 \text{ mm} \approx 7 \text{ inch}$$

Inlet and outlet water

$$G = 26547 \text{ kg/h} = 7.374 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$P = 994 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$d = 260(7.374)^{0.52} (994)^{-0.37} = 57 \text{ mm} \approx 2\frac{1}{2} \text{ inch}$$

Mechanical design

Shell

$$e = \frac{P_i D_i}{2F - P_i} + c \quad [3]$$

where

e = thickness of shell mm.

P_i = Design pressure N/ mm² .

D_i = shell inside diameter mm .

f = design stress N/ mm² .

C = corrosion constant mm.

$D_i = 0.569 = 569$ mm

operating pressure = 8 atm

design pressure $p_i = 1.1 * 8 = 8.8$ atm = 0.891 N/mm²

$C = 1$ mm [3]

At $T = 441$ °C design stress of high stainless steel

$f = 100$ N/mm² Table 13.2 [3]

$$e = \frac{0.891 * 569}{2 * 100 - 0.891} + 1 = 4 \text{ mm}$$

Ellipsoidal head

$$e = \frac{P_i * D_i}{2Jf - 0.2P_i} + c \quad [3]$$

where

e = thickness of ellipsoidal head mm .

$J = \text{joint factor} = 0.8$ [3]

$$e = \frac{0.891 \cdot 569}{2 \cdot 0.8 \cdot 100 - 0.2 \cdot 0.891} + 1 = 4 \text{ mm}$$

supports

weight loads

weight of vessel (shell)

$$W_V = C_V \pi \rho_m D_m g (H_V + 0.8 D_m) t \cdot 10^{-3} \quad [3]$$

where

$W_V =$ total weight of shell excluding internal fitting N .

$C_V =$ constant .

$\rho_m =$ density of vessel material kg/m^3 .

$H_V =$ height (length)of shell m .

$D_m =$ mean diameter of shell m.

$t =$ wall thickness mm

$$t = e = 4 \text{ mm}$$

$$C_V = 1.15 \quad [3]$$

$$\rho_m = 7800 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad [4]$$

$$D_m = (D_i + t \cdot 10^{-3}) \quad [3]$$

$$D_m = (0.569 + 2 \cdot 10^{-3}) = 0.571 \text{ m}$$

$$H_V = 1.83 \text{ m}$$

$$W_V = 1.15\pi * 7800 * 0.571 * 9.81 (1.83 + 0.8 * 0.571)(4 * 10^{-3})$$

$$W_V = 1444 \text{ N}$$

Weight of tubes:

For outside diameter $d_o = 50\text{mm} = 2\text{inch}$

$$\text{Weight of tube} = 2.41 \text{ Ib/ft table 11-2} \quad [4]$$

$$= 3.593 \text{ kg/m}$$

$$W_t = 1.83 * 3.593 * 32 * 9.81 \quad [3]$$

$$= 2064 \text{ N}$$

Weight of fluid

$$W_f = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) D_s^2 L \rho g \quad [3]$$

Where

W_f = Weight of fluid N

ρ = density of fluid kg/m^3

D_s = shell diameter m.

$g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

L = length of shell m.

$$W_f = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.569)^2 (1.83) (994) (9.81) = 4538 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$W = w_v + w_f + w_t$$

Where

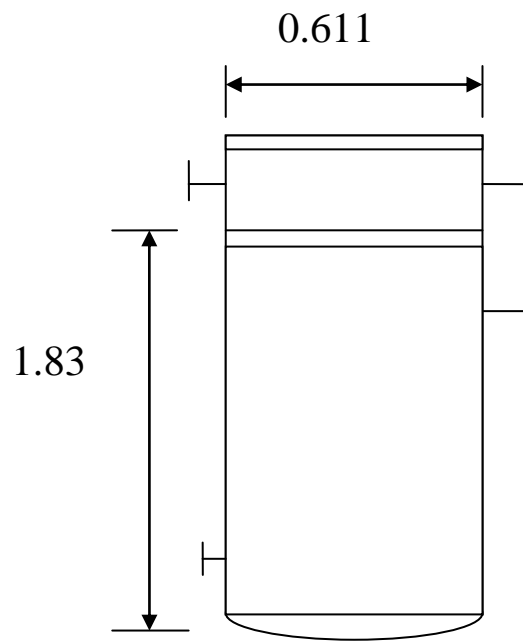
W = total weight N

$$W = 1444 + 2064 + 4538 = 8046 \text{ N}$$

Added 10% above total weight

$$W = 1.1 (8046) = 8851 \text{ N} = 9 \text{ KN}$$

Table	
Length m	1.83
Inside diam. Mm	43.6
Outside diam. Mm	50
Surface area (total) m ²	8.93
No. of tubes	38
No. of passes	2
Inlet temp. °C	441
Outlet temp. °C	230
Shell	
Diameter m	0.611
Baffle spacing	0.285
Baffle cut %	25
Inlet temp. °C	30
Outlet temp. °C	40
Material of counst.	



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Nomenclature

symbol	definition	unit
P	Pressure	Psia
T	Temperature	K, °C
C_p	Heat capacity at constant pressure	j/kmol.k
F	Flow rate	Kg/hr
K	Vapor-Liquid equilibrium	–
A	Vapor to Liquid ratio	–
X	Liquid mole fraction or Conversion	–
Y	Vapor mole fraction	–
Q	Heat rate	J
v	specific volume	m ³ /kmol
P_c	Critical pressure	Psia
T_c	Critical temperature	K, °C
P_r	Reduced pressure	-
T_r	Reduced temperature	–
Z	Compressibility factor	–
N	Molar rate	Kmol/hr
C_v	Heat capacity at constant volume	j/kmol.k
K	Ratio of C_p to C_v	-
R	Gas constant	kJ/kmol.K
M_{wt}	Molecular weight	Kg/kmol
W	Work	kJ/kmol
ΔH_v	Heat of vaporization	kJ/kmol
μ	Viscosity	Pa.s
P	Density or molar density	Kg/m ³
U	Overall heat transfer coefficient	W/m ² °C
A	Area	m ²
L	Length	m
D_b	Bundle diameter	m
D_s	Shell diameter	m
Re	Reynolds number	-
Pr	Prandtle number	–
Nu	Nusselt number	–

h_{if}	Inside fouling heat-transfer coefficient	$W/m^2 \text{ } ^\circ C$
H_{of}	Outside fouling heat-transfer coefficient	$W/m^2 \text{ } ^\circ C$
h_i	Inside film heat-transfer coefficient	$W/m^2 \text{ } ^\circ C$
h_s	Shell film heat-transfer coefficient	$W/m^2 \text{ } ^\circ C$
J_h	Heat transfer correction factor	–
de	Equivalent diameter	m
pt	Pitch	m
N_p	Number of passes	–

CHAPTER FOUR

PROCESS CONTROL

4.1 Introduction to Process Control

4.1 Introduction to Process Control

Control is a science that is used in many engineering disciplines such as chemical, electrical and mechanical engineering and it is applied to a wide range of physical systems from chemical processes to electrical circuits to guided missiles to robots. The field of process control encompasses the basic principles most useful when applied to the physiochemical systems often encountered by chemical engineers such as chemical reactors, heat exchangers, and mass transfer equipment. Control engineering is not a narrow specialty but an essential topic for all chemical engineers. For example, plant designers must consider the dynamic operation of all equipment, because the plant will never operate at steady state. Engineers charged with operating plants must ensure that the proper response is made to the ever-occurring disturbances so the operation is safe and profitable. Process control engineering involves a vast body of material, including mathematical analysis and engineering practice ⁽³⁾. These major components are shown schematically in Figure (4.1), which can be used to represent many control systems ⁽³⁾.

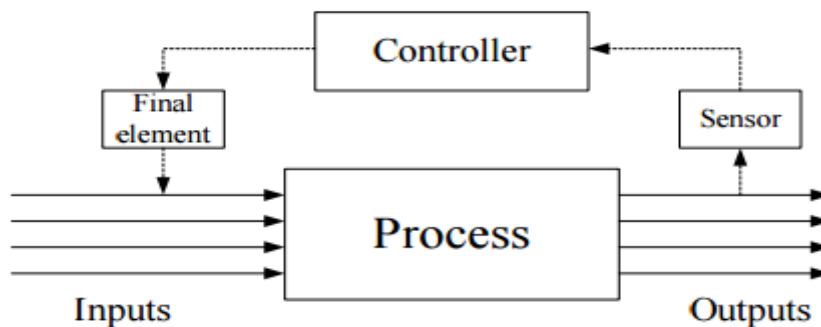
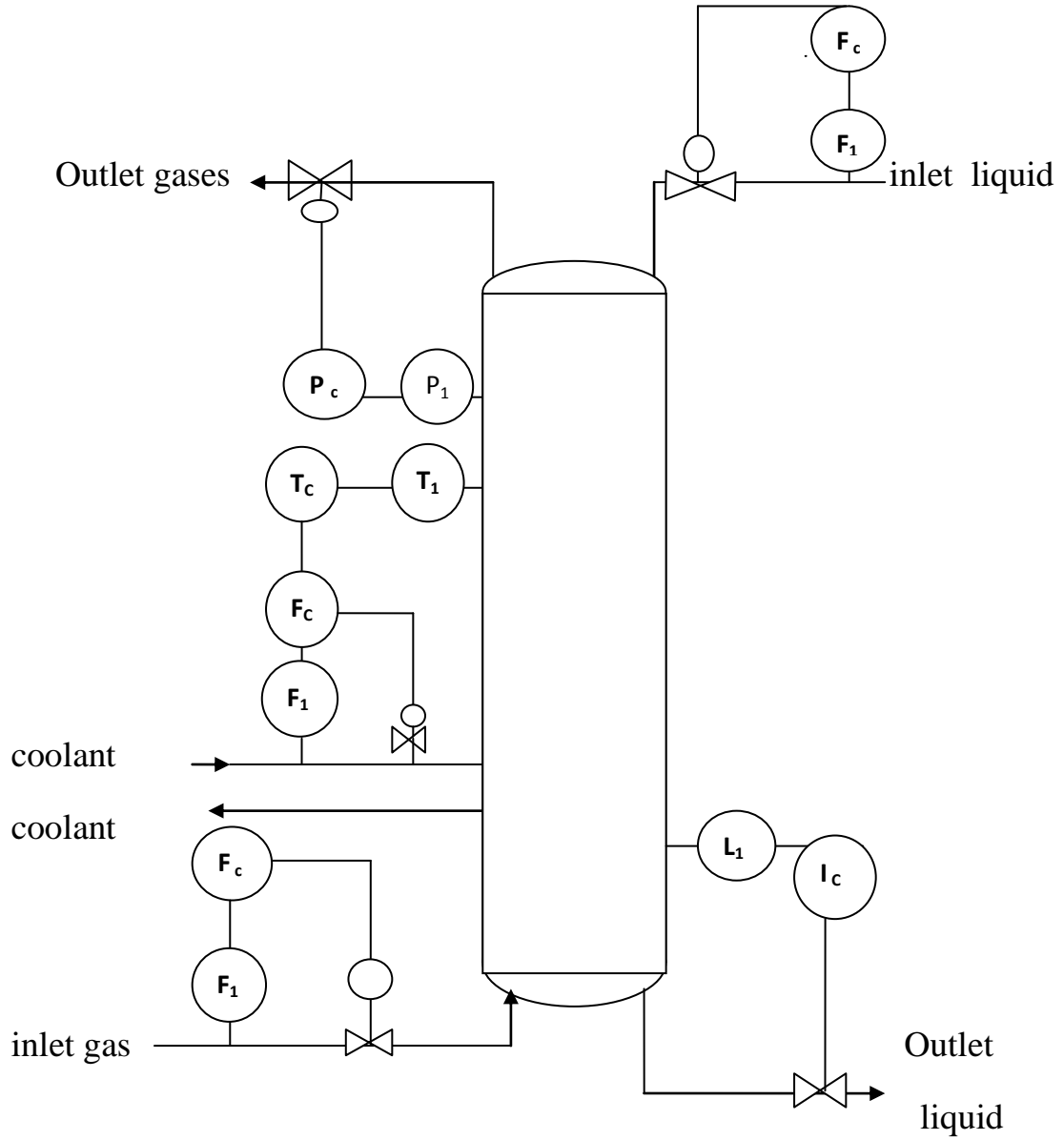
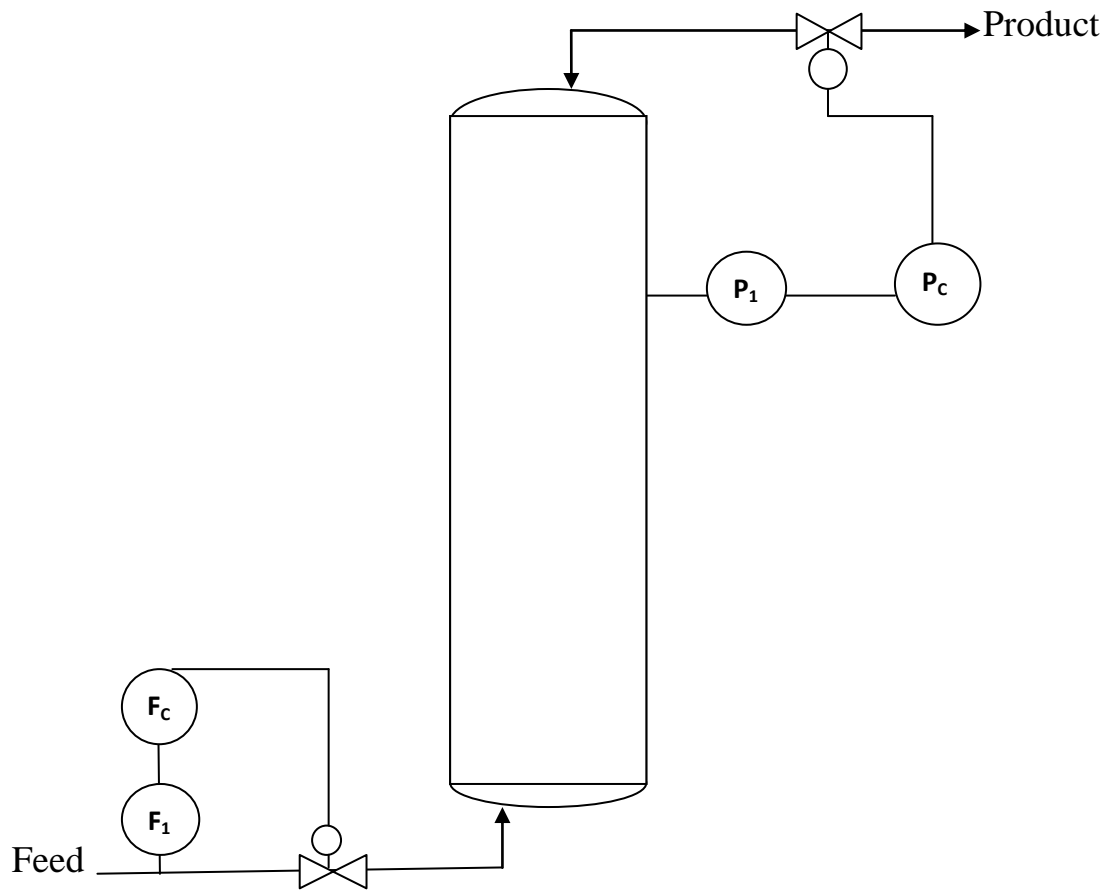


Figure (4.1): Schematic diagram of a general feedback control system

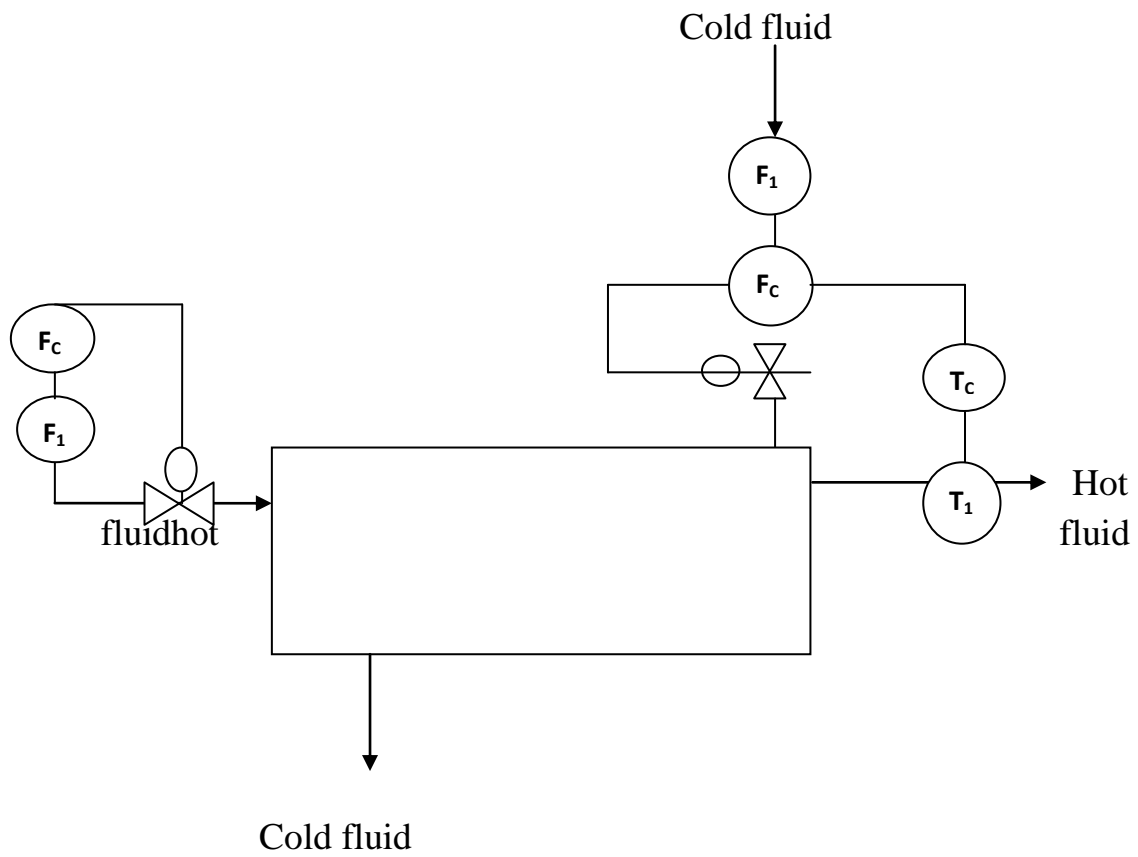
4.2 Design of Control System for Absorber[3]



4.3 Design of Control System for Reactor [3]



4.4 Design of Control System for cooler [3]



CHAPTER FIVE

LOCATION, ECONOMIC AND SAFEETY CONSEDRATION

5.1 Plant Location

Considerable care must be exercised in selecting the plant site, and many different factors must be considered. Primarily, the plant should be located where the minimum cost of production and distribution can be obtained, but other factors, such as room for expansion and safe living conditions for plant operation as well as the surrounding community, are also important. The following factors should be considered in selecting a plant site:

1. Raw materials availability
2. Markets
3. Energy availability
4. Climate
5. Transportation facilities
6. Water supply
7. Waste disposal
8. Labor supply
9. Taxation and legal restrictions
10. Site characteristics
11. Flood and fire protection
12. Community factors.

5.1.1 HNO₃ Plant Location

Based on these previous factors which are required in HNO₃ manufacturing plant, we select Al-Basra city as NH₃ can be obtained from NH₃ manufacturing plant.

5.2: Site Considerations:

The location of the plant can have a crucial effect on the profitability of a project, and the scope for future expansion. Many factors must be considered when selecting a suitable site, the principle factors to consider are:

1-Marketing area:

For materials that are produced in bulk quantities; such as cement, mineral acids, and fertilizers, where the cost of the product per tone is relatively low and the cost of transport a significant fraction of the sales price, the plant should be located close to the primary market. This consideration will be less important for low volume production, high-priced products; such as pharmaceuticals.

2- Raw materials

The availability and price of suitable raw materials will often determine the site location. Plants producing bulk chemicals are best located close to the source of the major raw material; where this is also close to the marketing area.

3- Transport

The transport of materials and products to and from the plant will be an overriding consideration in site selection.

4- Availability of labor

Labor will be needed for construction of the plant and its operation. Skilled tradesmen will be needed for plant maintenance.

5- Utilities (services)

Chemical processes invariably require large quantities of water for cooling and general process use, and the plant must be located near a source of water of suitable quality. Process water may be drawn from a river, from wells, or purchased from a local authority.

6- Environmental impact and effluent disposal

All industrial processes produce waste products, and full consideration must be given to the difficulties and cost of their disposal. An environmental impact assessment should be made for each new project, or major modification or addition to an existing process.

7- Land (site considerations)

Sufficient suitable land must be available for the proposed plant and for future expansion. The land should ideally be flat, well drained and have suitable load-bearing characteristics.

8- Climate

Adverse climatic conditions at a site will increase costs. Abnormally low temperatures will require the provision of additional insulation and special heating for equipment and pipe runs. Stronger structures will be needed at locations subject to high winds (cyclone/hurricane areas) or earthquakes.

5.3 Health & Safety Information:

Nitric acid is a strong acid and a powerful oxidizing agent. The major hazard posed by it is chemical burns as it carries out acid hydrolysis with proteins (amide) and fats (ester) which consequently decomposes living tissue (e.g. skin and flesh). Concentrated nitric acid stains human skin yellow due to its reaction with the keratin. These yellow stains turn orange when neutralized. Systemic effects are unlikely, however, and the substance is not considered a carcinogen or mutagen. The standard first aid treatment for acid spills on the skin is, as for other corrosive agents, irrigation with large quantities of water. Washing is continued for at least ten to fifteen minutes to cool the tissue surrounding the acid burn and to prevent secondary damage. Contaminated clothing is removed immediately and the underlying skin washed thoroughly. Being a strong oxidizing agent, reactions of nitric acid with compounds such as cyanides, carbides,

metallic powders can be explosive and those with many organic compounds, such as turpentine, are violent and hypergolic (i.e. self-igniting). Hence, it should be stored away from bases and organics .

5.4 Environmental Considerations

Vigilance is required in both the design and operation of process plant to ensure that no harm is done to the environment. Consideration must be given to:

1. All emissions to land, air, water.
2. Waste management.
3. Smells.
4. Noise.
5. The visual impact.
6. Any other nuisances.
7. The environmental friendliness of the products.

Waste management: Waste arises mainly as byproducts or unused reactants from the process, or as off-specification product produced through mis-operation. The designer must consider all possible sources of pollution and, where practicable, select processes that will eliminate or minimize waste generation. Unused reactants can be recycled and off-specification product reprocessed. Integrated processes can be selected: the waste from one process becoming the raw material for another. When waste is produced, processes must be incorporated in the design for its treatment and safe disposal. The following techniques can be considered:

1. Dilution and dispersion.
2. Discharge to foul water sewer (with the agreement of the appropriate authority).
3. Physical treatments: scrubbing, settling, absorption and adsorption.

4. Chemical treatment: precipitation (for example, of heavy metals), neutralization.
5. Biological treatment: activated sludge and other processes.
6. Incineration on land, or at sea.
7. Landfill at controlled sites.
8. Sea dumping (now subject to tight international control).

Noise: Noise can cause a serious nuisance in the neighborhood of a process plant. Care needs to be taken when selecting and specifying equipment such as compressors, air-cooler fans, induced and forced draught fans for furnaces, and other noisy plant. Excessive noise can also be generated when venting through steam and other relief valves, and from flare stacks. Such equipment should be fitted with silencers.

5.5 Cost Estimation

The choice of appropriate equipment often is influenced by considerations of price. A lower efficiency or a shorter life may be compensated for by a lower price. Funds may be low at the time of purchase and expected to be more abundant later, or the economic life of the process is expected to be limited.

5.5.1 Cost estimation on absorber

Height $h = 3.02\text{ m}$

Diameter $D = 0.52\text{ m}$

Pressure $P = 8\text{ bar}$

Material of construction high silicon iron

Cost=5500 \$

Pressure factor =1.1

Material factor =1

} Fig. 6_5 b [8]

$$\text{Cost} = 5500 * 1.1 * 1 = 6050 \$ \text{ in (2004)}$$

$$\text{Cost in 2012} = (\text{cost in 2004}) \frac{(\text{cost index in 2012})}{(\text{cost index in 2004})}$$

$$\text{cost index in 2004} = 444.2$$

$$\text{cost index in 2012} = 697.32 \quad [9]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost in 2012} &= (6050) \left(\frac{697.32}{444.2} \right) \\ &= 9498 \$ \end{aligned}$$

5.5.2 Cost Estimation on reactor

Height $h = 1.411m$

Diameter $D = 0.32m$

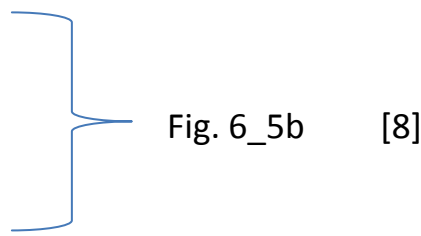
Pressure $P = 8 \text{ bar}$

Material of construction : Stainless steel

Cost = 2500 \$

Pressure factor = 1.1

Material factor = 2



$$\text{Cost} = 2500 * 1.1 * 2 = 5500 \$ \text{ in (2004)}$$

$$\text{Cost in 2012} = (\text{cost in 2004}) \frac{(\text{cost index in 2012})}{(\text{cost index in 2004})}$$

$$\text{cost index in 2004} = 444.2$$

$$\text{cost index in 2012} = 697.32 \quad [9]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost in 2012} &= (5500) \left(\frac{697.32}{444.2} \right) \\ &= 8634 \$ \end{aligned}$$

5.5.3 Cost Estimation on heat exchanger

Surface area $A = 8.93 \text{ m}^2$

Pressure $P = 8 \text{ bar}$

Material of construction : Stainless steel

Type: floating head

Cost=20000 \$

Pressure factor =1

Material factor =1

} Fig. 6_5b [8]

$$\text{Cost} = 20000 * 1 * 1 = 20000 \$ \text{ in (2004)}$$

$$\text{Cost in 2012} = (\text{cost in 2004}) \frac{(\text{cost index in 2012})}{(\text{cost index in 2004})}$$

$$\text{cost index in 2004} = 444.2$$

$$\text{cost index in 2012} = 697.32 \quad [9]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost in 2012} &= (20000) \left(\frac{697.32}{444.2} \right) \\ &= 31397 \$ \end{aligned}$$

CHAPTER SIX

CONCLUSION AND

RECOMMENDATION

6.1 Conclusions

The case study of the manufacture of nitric acid emphasizes the benefits of a systematic design based on the analysis of the reactor/condenser/absorber. The core of the process is the chemical reactor, whose behavior in recycle depends on the kinetics and selectivity performance of the catalyst, as well as the safety and technological constraints. Moreover, the recycle policy depends on the reaction mechanism of the catalytic reaction. Thus, for Platinum & rodium catalysts the reaction of the ammonia on the active sites is fast and not rate limiting. In consequence, the designer should respect the composition of the reaction mixture at the reactor inlet that is compatible with the experimental conditions in which the kinetics of the catalytic process has been studied.

6.2 Recommendation

The recommendations for further work on the production of nitric acid plant are listed below:

1. Other production nitric acid methods can be selected.
2. Other conversion can be selected.
3. Study reaction kinetic of nitric acid in reactor.