

# BT209

# Bioreaction Engineering

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**Design for Multiple reactions:**

- Quantitative analysis of Two-Step Irreversible Series-Parallel Reactions
- Denbigh reaction scheme

# Quantitative analysis: Two-Step Irreversible Series-Parallel Reactions

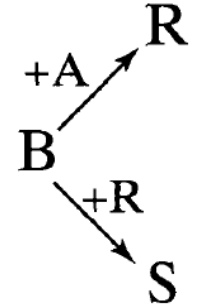
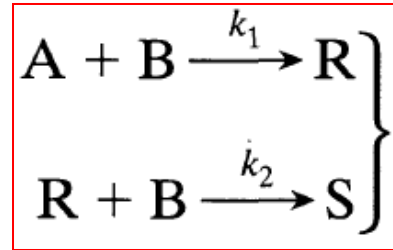
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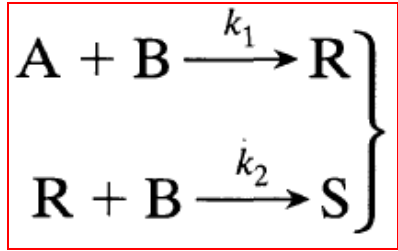


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**What is the product distribution in a batch/PFR and CSTR ?**

# Product Distribution: in batch or PFR



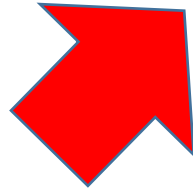
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$$\frac{dC_R}{dC_A} = -1 + \frac{k_2 C_R}{k_1 C_A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dC_A} C_A + u = \frac{k_2}{k_1} u - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{u(k_2 - k_1) - k_1} = \frac{1}{k_1} \frac{dC_A}{C_A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\frac{C_R}{C_A}} \frac{du}{u(k_2 - k_1) - k_1} = \frac{1}{k_1} \int_{C_{A0}}^{C_A} \frac{dC_A}{C_A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C_R}{C_{A0}} = \frac{1}{1 - k_2/k_1} \left[ \left( \frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} \right)^{k_2/k_1} - \frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} \right]$$

When  $k_1 = k_2$

$$\frac{du}{dC_A} C_A = -1$$

$$\frac{C_R}{C_{A0}} = \frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} \ln \frac{C_{A0}}{C_A}$$

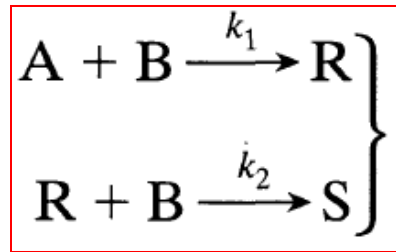
Use  $C_R = u C_A$

$$\frac{dC_R}{dC_A} = \frac{du}{dC_A} C_A + u$$

When  $C_A = C_{A0}$ ,  $C_R = C_{R0} = 0$

When  $k_1 \neq k_2$

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$$\frac{C_R}{C_{A0}} = \frac{1}{1 - k_2/k_1} \left[ \left( \frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} \right)^{k_2/k_1} - \frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} \right], \quad \frac{k_2}{k_1} \neq 1$$

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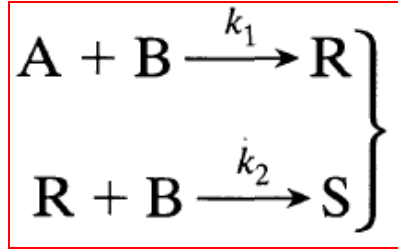
**For  $C_R^{\max}$**

**Put  $dC_R/dC_A = 0$**

$$\frac{C_{R,\max}}{C_{A0}} = \left( \frac{k_1}{k_2} \right)^{k_2/(k_2-k_1)}, \quad \frac{k_2}{k_1} \neq 1$$

$$\frac{C_{R,\max}}{C_{A0}} = \frac{1}{e} = 0.368 \quad \frac{k_2}{k_1} = 1$$

## Cont..



$C_S = ?$

$C_B = ?$

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$$\frac{dC_B}{dt} - \frac{dC_R}{dt} - 2 \frac{dC_A}{dt} = 0$$



$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} + \frac{dC_R}{dt} + \frac{dC_S}{dt} = 0$$

$$\Delta C_A + \Delta C_R + \Delta C_S = 0$$

$$C_{A0} + C_{R0} + C_{S0} = C_A + C_R + C_S$$

For pure feed of A and B,  $C_{R0} = C_{S0} = 0$

$C_S$  can be calculated from the above equation using expression of R and known A

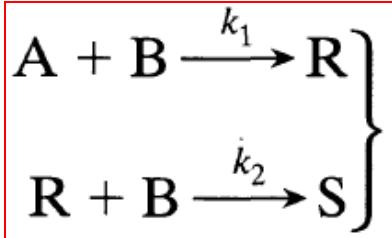


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$C_B$  can be calculated from the above equation

# Product Distribution: in CSTR

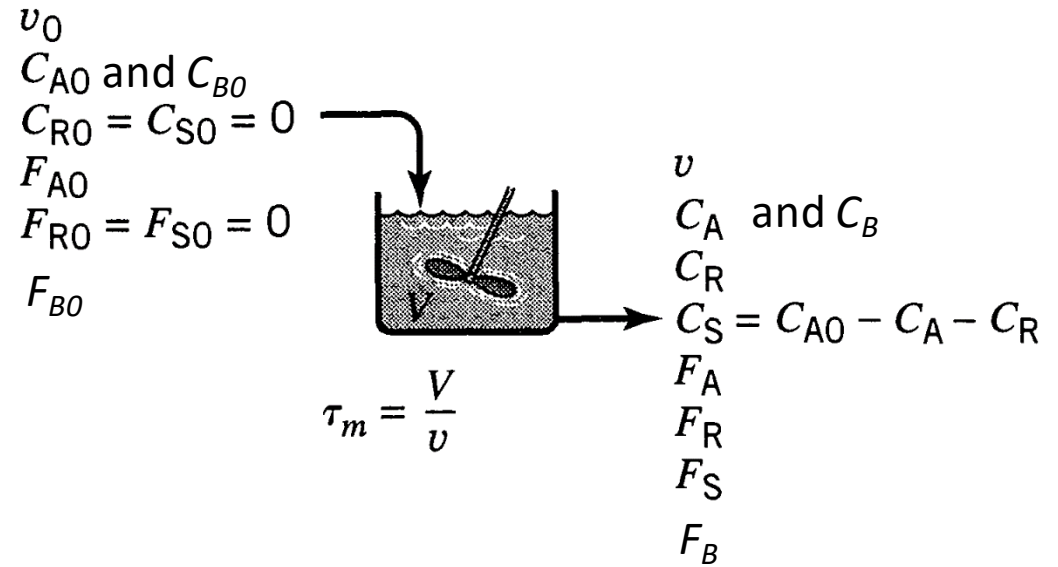


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**For A:**  $\frac{V}{F_{A0}} = \frac{\tau_m}{C_{A0}} = \frac{X_A}{-r_A}$

**For R:**  $\frac{V}{F_{R0}} = \frac{\tau_m}{C_{R0}} = \frac{X_R}{-r_R}$

$$X_A = \frac{C_{A0} - C_A}{C_{A0}}$$

$$X_R = \frac{C_{R0} - C_R}{C_{R0}}$$

$$\tau_m = \frac{C_{A0} - C_A}{-r_A} = \frac{-C_R}{-r_R}$$

## Cont..

$$\Rightarrow \tau_m = \frac{C_{A0} - C_A}{k_1 C_A C_B} = \frac{-C_R}{k_2 C_R C_B - k_1 C_A C_B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-C_R}{C_{A0} - C_A} = -1 + \frac{k_2 C_R}{k_1 C_A}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_R = \frac{C_A(C_{A0} - C_A)}{C_A + (k_2/k_1)(C_{A0} - C_A)}$$

**For  $C_R^{\max}$**

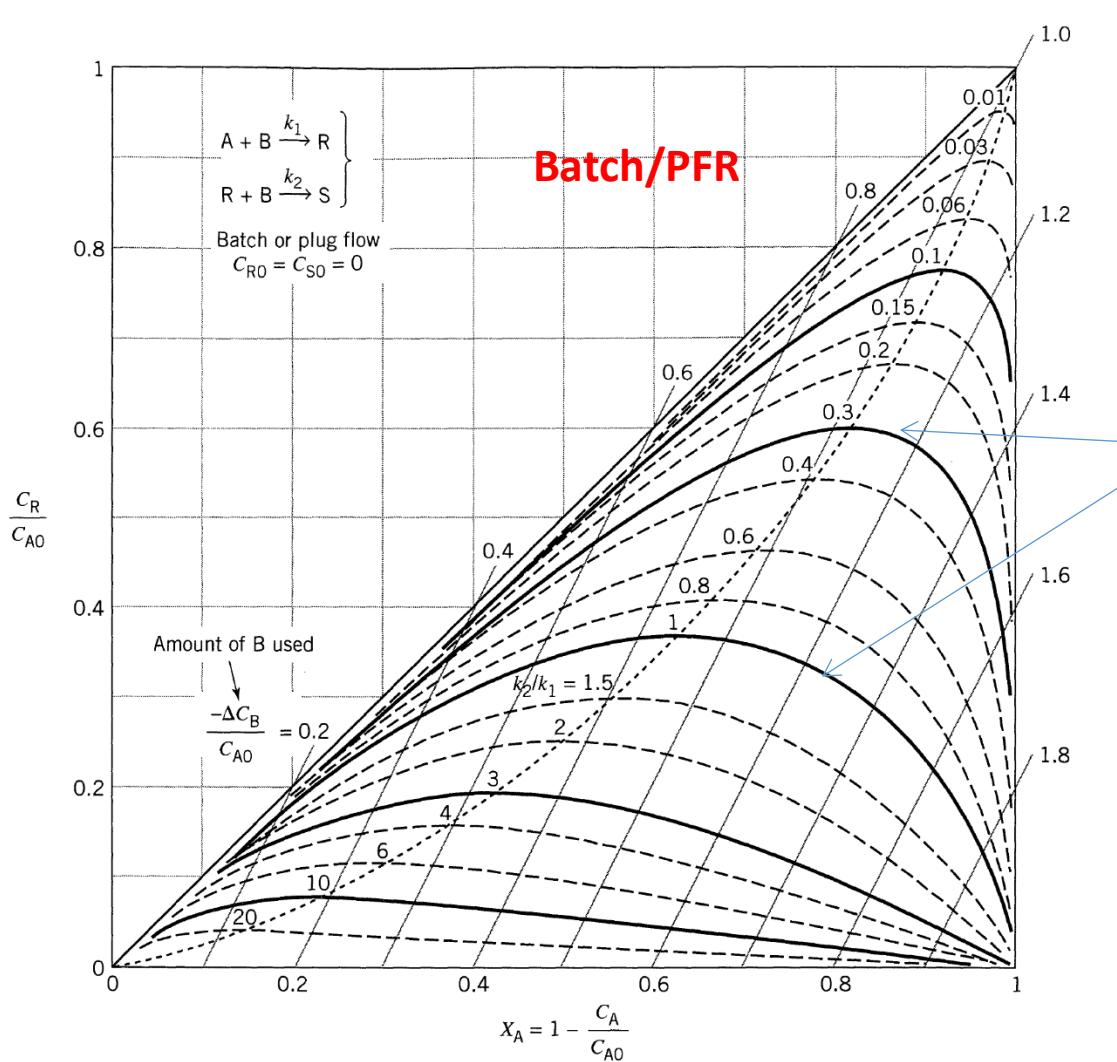
**Put  $dC_R/dC_A = 0$**

$$\frac{C_{R,\max}}{C_{A0}} = \frac{1}{[1 + (k_2/k_1)^{1/2}]^2}$$

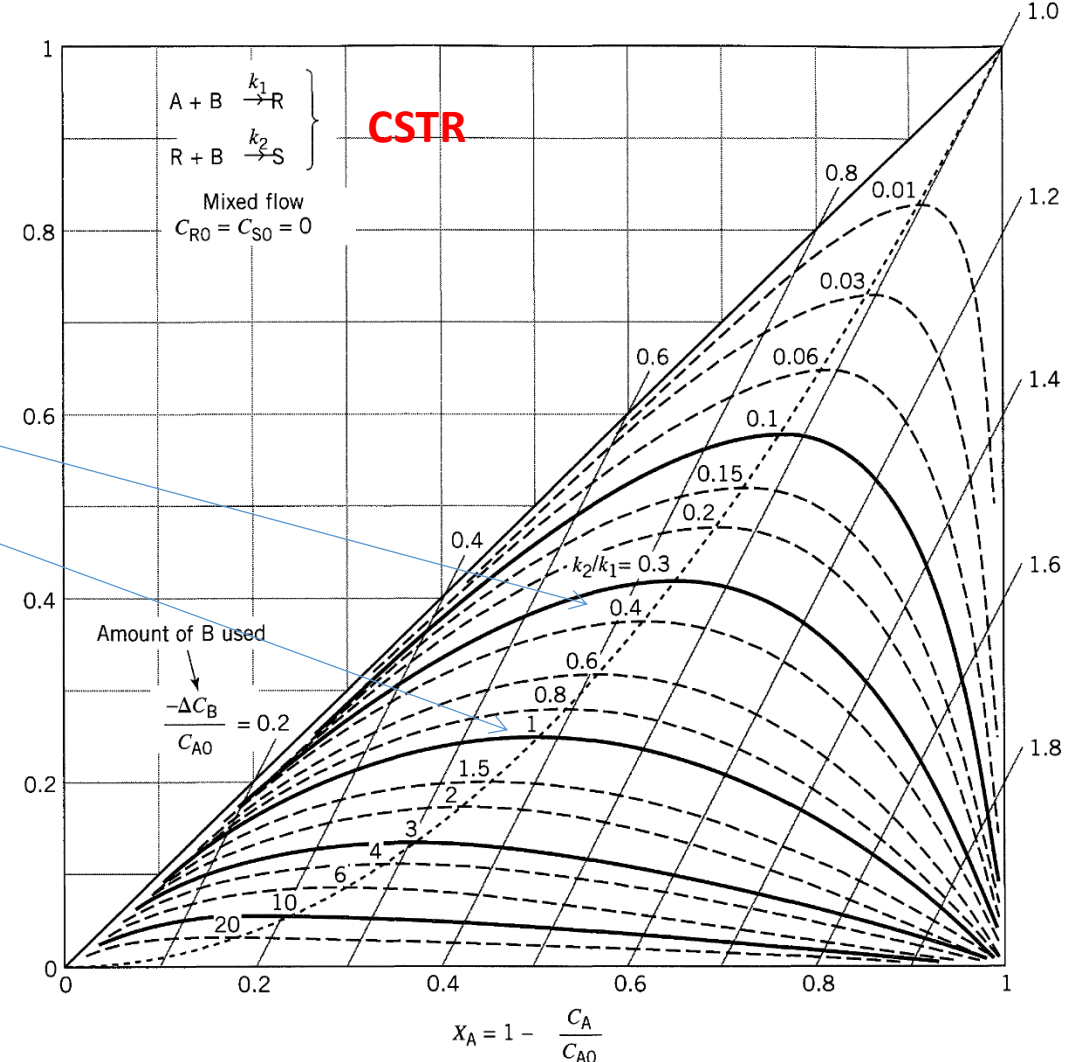
$$\frac{C_{R,\max}}{C_{A0}} = 0.25 \text{ for } k_1 = k_2$$

- ❑ Rate equations (kinetics) and Material balances about A and B in plug flow, hold equally well for mixed flow
- ❑ Product distribution (S and B) in this reactor can be calculated same way as in PFR

# Product Distribution comparison Batch/PFR and CSTR



**R at  
different  
 $k_2/k_1$**

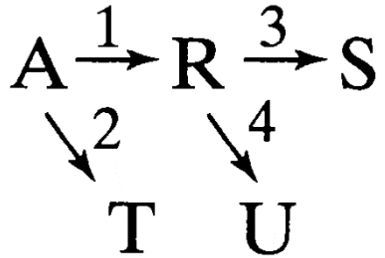


➤ Plug flow again giving a higher concentration of intermediate than mixed flow.

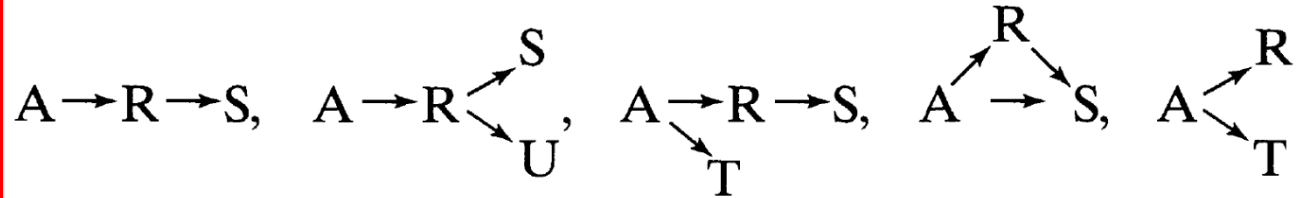
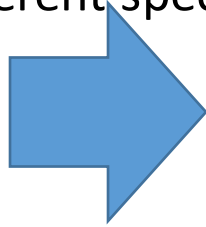


# Denbigh reactions scheme

□ Denbigh analyzed the general reaction scheme



Denbigh reaction scheme can reduce directly to all the different special cases



Denbigh reaction scheme

$$\begin{aligned}
 -r_A &= -\frac{dC_A}{dt} = k_1 C_A + k_2 C_A = k_{12} C_A \\
 r_R &= \frac{dC_R}{dt} = k_1 C_A - k_3 C_R - k_4 C_R = k_1 C_A - k_{34} C_R \\
 r_S &= \frac{dC_S}{dt} = k_3 C_R \\
 r_T &= \frac{dC_T}{dt} = k_2 C_A \\
 r_U &= \frac{dC_U}{dt} = k_4 C_R
 \end{aligned}$$

$$k_{12} = k_1 + k_2$$

$$k_{34} = k_3 + k_4$$

$$r_A + r_R + r_S + r_T + r_U = 0$$

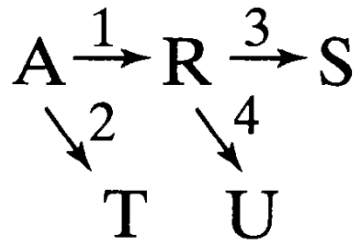
$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} + \frac{dC_R}{dt} + \frac{dC_S}{dt} + \frac{dC_T}{dt} + \frac{dC_U}{dt} = 0$$

$$C_A + C_R + C_S + C_T + C_U = \text{constant}$$

$$\text{At } t = 0, C_{A0} + C_{R0} + C_{S0} + C_{U0} + C_{T0} = \text{constant}$$

$$C_{A0} + C_{R0} + C_{S0} + C_{T0} + C_{U0} = C_A + C_R + C_S + C_T + C_U$$

# Product distribution of the Denbigh reaction scheme in Batch/PFR



Product distribution ?

$$-r_A = -\frac{dC_A}{dt} = k_1 C_A + k_2 C_A = k_{12} C_A$$

$$r_R = \frac{dC_R}{dt} = k_1 C_A - k_3 C_R - k_4 C_R = k_1 C_A - k_{34} C_R$$

$$r_S = \frac{dC_S}{dt} = k_3 C_R$$

$$r_T = \frac{dC_T}{dt} = k_2 C_A$$

$$r_U = \frac{dC_U}{dt} = k_4 C_R$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k_{12} &= k_1 + k_2 \\
 k_{34} &= k_3 + k_4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = \exp(-k_{12}t)$$

$$\frac{C_R}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_1}{k_{34} - k_{12}} [\exp(-k_{12}t) - \exp(-k_{34}t)] + \frac{C_{R0}}{C_{A0}} \exp(-k_{34}t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{C_S}{C_{A0}} &= \frac{k_1 k_3}{k_{34} - k_{12}} \left[ \frac{\exp(-k_{34}t)}{k_{34}} - \frac{\exp(-k_{12}t)}{k_{12}} \right] + \frac{k_1 k_3}{k_{12} k_{34}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{C_{R0}}{C_{A0}} \frac{k_3}{k_{34}} [1 - \exp(-k_{34}t)] + \frac{C_{S0}}{C_{A0}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{C_T}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_2}{k_{12}} [1 - \exp(-k_{12}t)] + \frac{C_{T0}}{C_{A0}}$$

$$\frac{C_U}{C_{A0}} \dots \text{same as } \frac{C_S}{C_{A0}} \text{ but with } k_3 \leftrightarrow k_4 \text{ and } C_{S0} \leftrightarrow C_{U0}$$

For PFR  $t$  will be replaced by  $\tau$

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Special case: pure feed of A

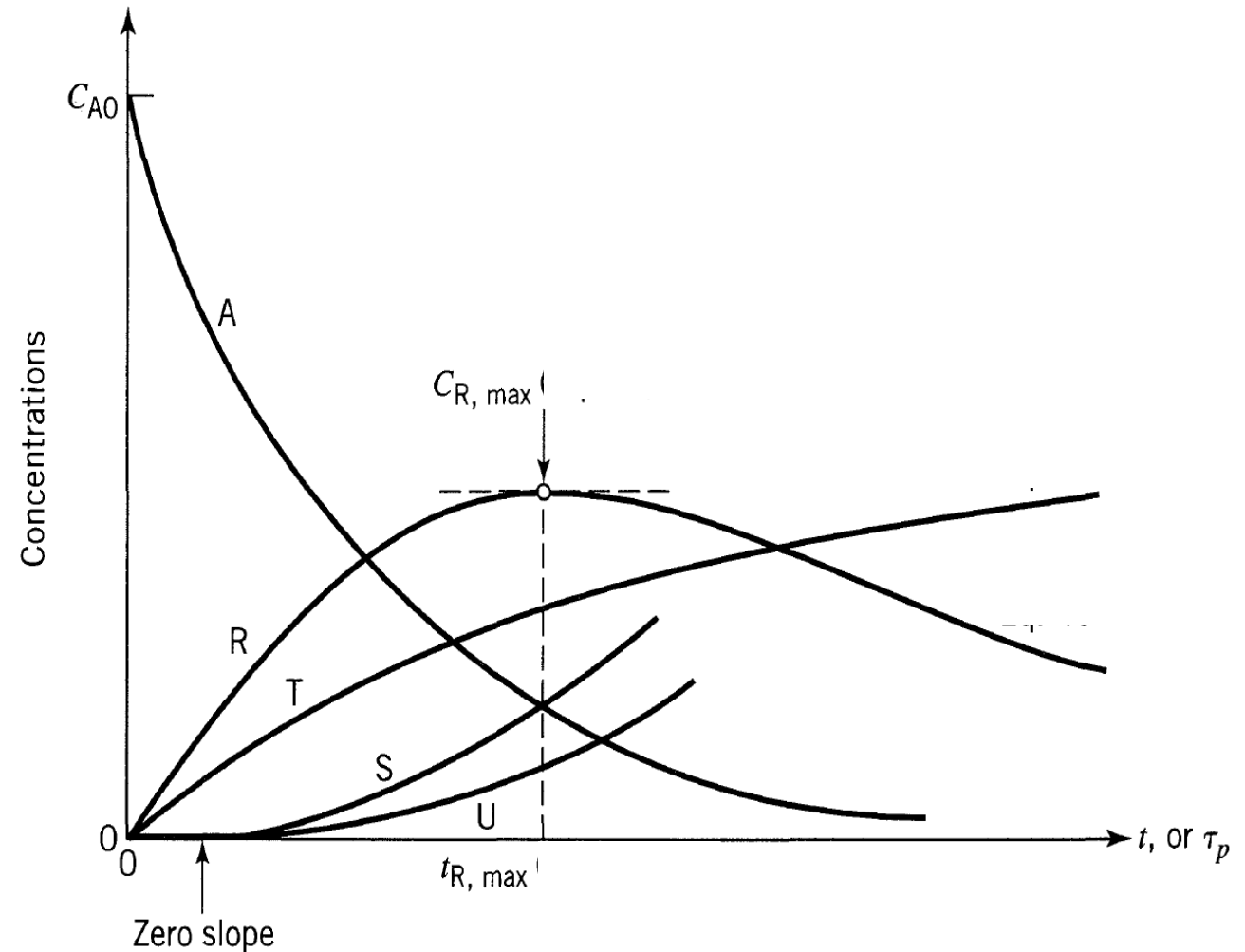
$$C_{R0} = C_{S0} = C_{T0} = C_{U0} = 0$$

$$\frac{C_R}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_1}{k_{34} - k_{12}} [\exp(-k_{12}t) - \exp(-k_{34}t)]$$

For  $C_R^{\max}$ , Put  $dC_R/dt = 0$

$$\frac{C_{R,\max}}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_1}{k_{12}} \left( \frac{k_{12}}{k_{34}} \right)^{k_{34}/(k_{34}-k_{12})}$$

$$t_{\max} = \frac{\ln(k_{34}/k_{12})}{k_{34} - k_{12}}$$



$$C_{R0} = C_{S0} = C_{T0} = C_{U0} = 0$$

# Product distribution of the Denbigh reaction scheme in CSTR

**For A:**  $\frac{\tau_m}{C_{A0}} = \frac{X_A}{-r_A}$

**For R:**  $\frac{\tau_m}{C_{R0}} = \frac{X_R}{-r_R}$

**For S:**  $\frac{\tau_m}{C_{S0}} = \frac{X_S}{-r_S}$

**For T:**  $\frac{\tau_m}{C_{T0}} = \frac{X_T}{-r_T}$

**For U:**  $\frac{\tau_m}{C_{U0}} = \frac{X_U}{-r_U}$

$$\begin{aligned} X_A &= \frac{C_{A0} - C_A}{C_{A0}} \\ X_R &= \frac{C_{R0} - C_R}{C_{R0}} \\ X_S &= \frac{C_{S0} - C_S}{C_{S0}} \\ X_T &= \frac{C_{T0} - C_T}{C_{T0}} \\ X_U &= \frac{C_{U0} - C_U}{C_{U0}} \end{aligned}$$



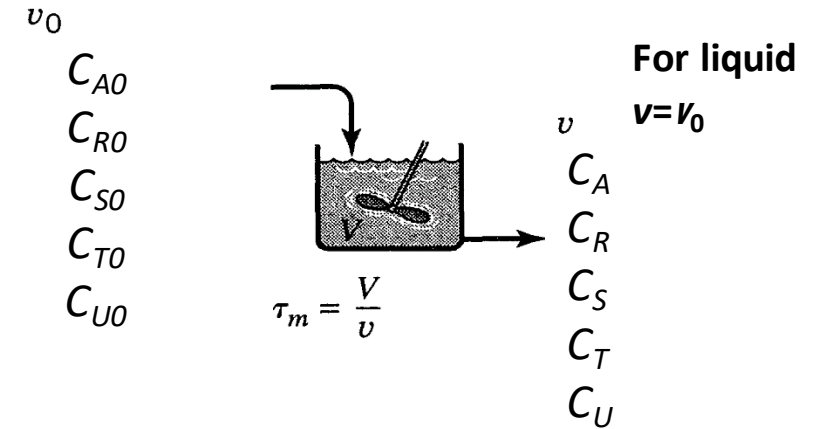
$$\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = \frac{1}{(1 + k_{12}\tau_m)}$$

$$\frac{C_R}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_1\tau_m}{(1 + k_{12}\tau_m)(1 + k_{34}\tau_m)} + \frac{C_{R0}}{C_{A0}} \frac{1}{(1 + k_{34}\tau_m)}$$

$$\frac{C_S}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_1k_3\tau_m^2}{(1 + k_{12}\tau_m)(1 + k_{34}\tau_m)} + \frac{C_{R0}}{C_{A0}} \frac{k_3\tau_m}{(1 + k_{34}\tau_m)} + \frac{C_{S0}}{C_{A0}}$$

$$\frac{C_T}{C_{A0}} = \frac{k_2\tau_m}{(1 + k_{12}\tau_m)} + \frac{C_{T0}}{C_{A0}}$$

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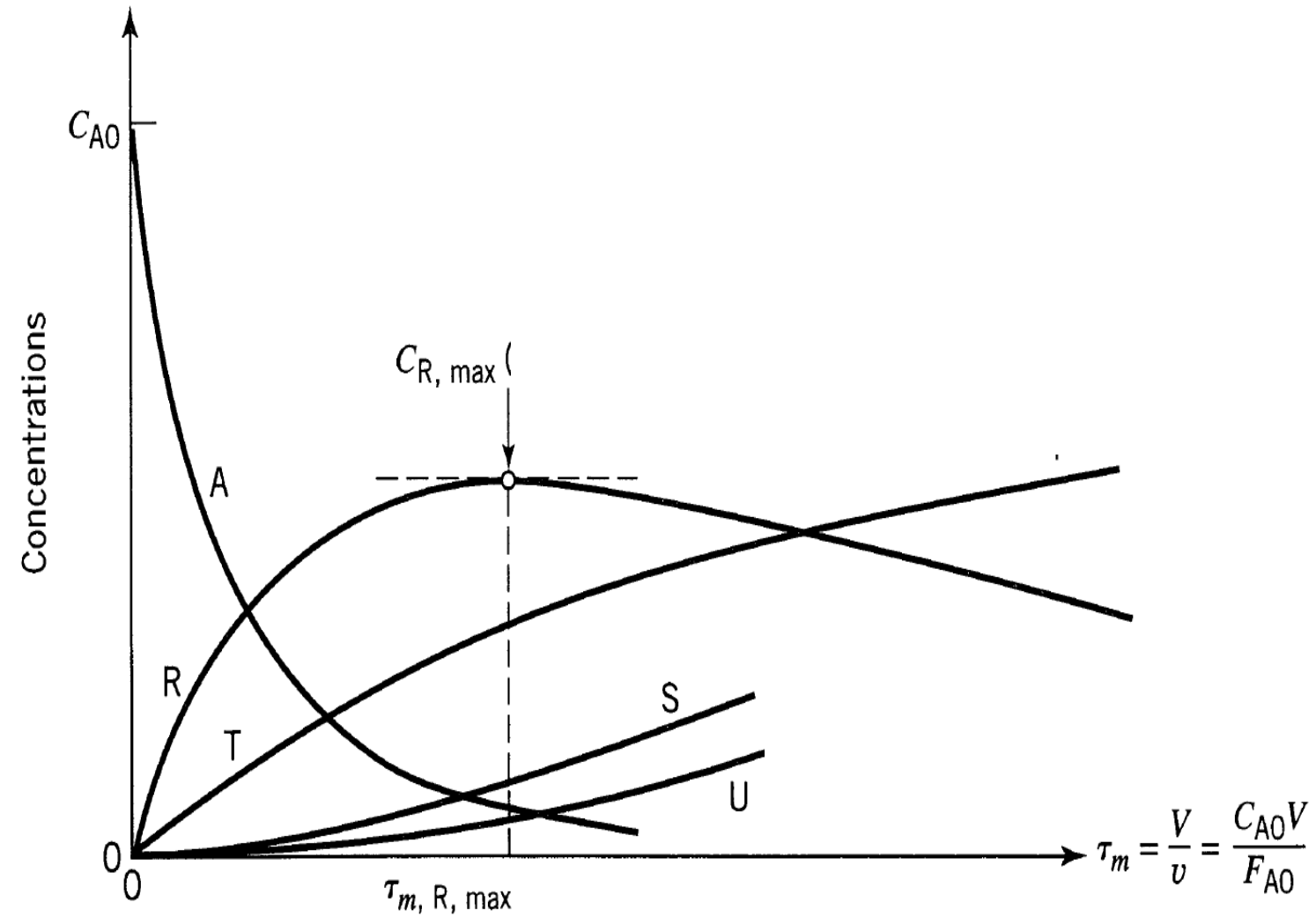


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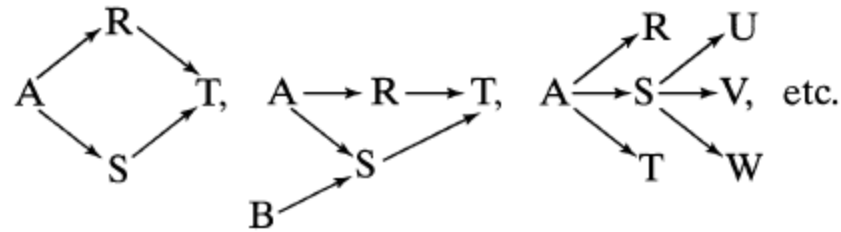
$$\frac{C_{R\max}}{C_{A0}} = \left(\frac{k_1}{k_{12}}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{[(k_{34}/k_{12})^{1/2} + 1]^2}$$

$$\tau_{m,R\max} = \frac{1}{(k_{12}/k_{34})^{1/2}}$$

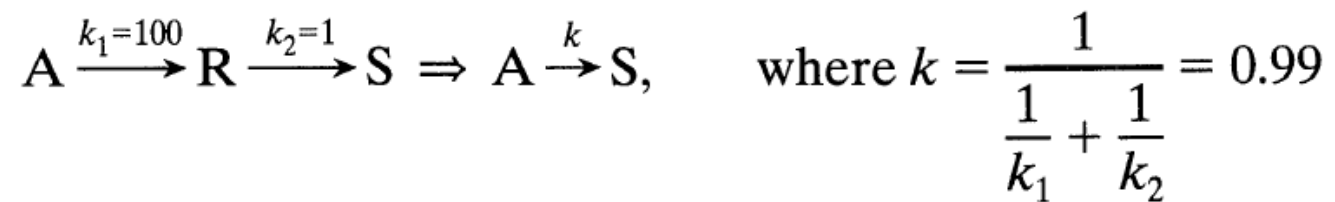


# Some general comments

- The reactions can be extended to different form of other reaction schemes, such as



- If the two steps of first-order reactions in series have very different values for their rate constants, we can approximate the overall behavior as follows:



- The key to optimum design for multiple reactions is proper contacting and proper flow pattern of fluids within the reactor. These requirements are determined by the stoichiometry and observed kinetics.