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Simutech Project report on

# Process Simulation

## and modelling in

# Aspen Plus

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## Objective:

To learn general flowsheet simulation concepts ,process design and modelling in Aspen Plus.  
And to get an understanding of the basic features of Aspen Plus

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# Introduction & Basic Overview

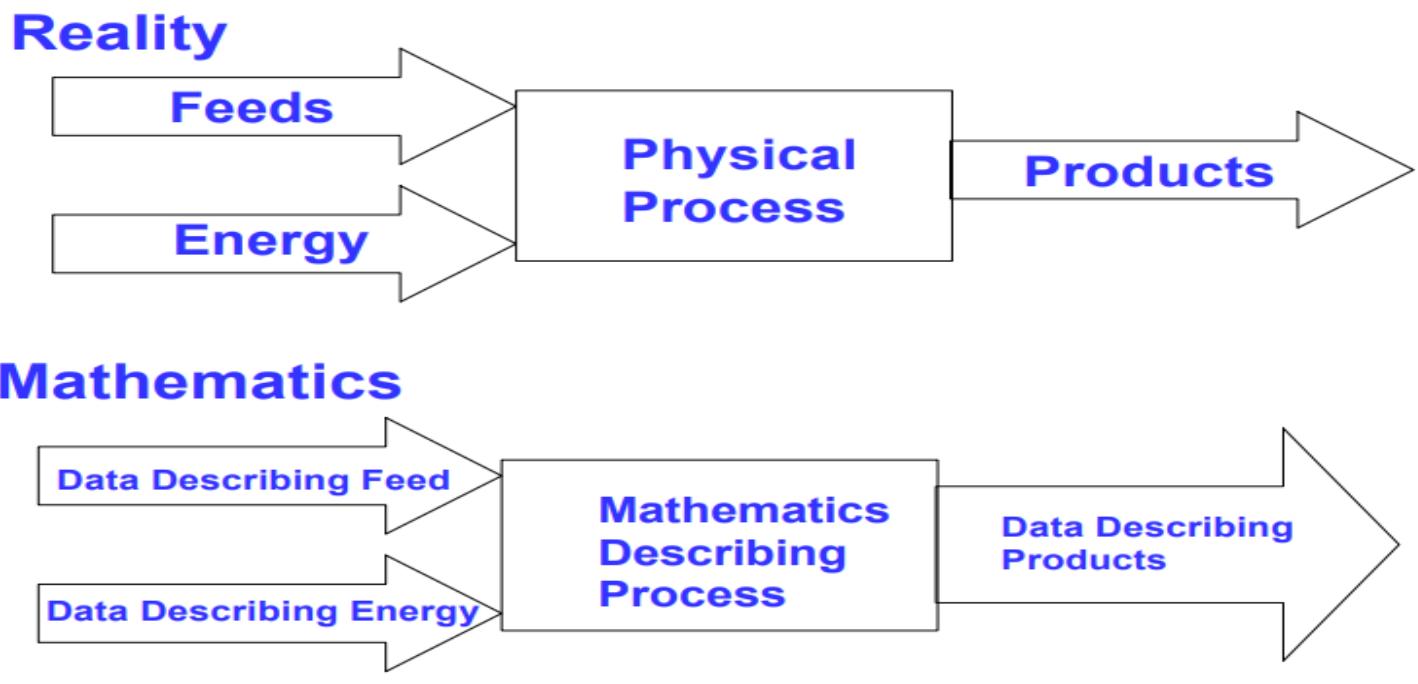
Aspen Plus is a process modeling software that is used widely by the chemical industries for process optimization, process monitoring and process design. It allows the user to design the process and simulate it .

Aspen Plus is a menu driven software which helps us to -

- ▶ Predict flow rates, composition, physical properties of process streams.
- ▶ Predict operating conditions for the processes, pre sizing of equipments, and how to connect the equipments( menu driven equipments) .
- ▶ Aspen plus itself codes the physical relations associated with these menu driven equipments in the background and will have unique equations called characteristic equations( i.e. mass balances, energy balances , rate equations, vapour liquid equilibrium)
- ▶ It takes a design that the user supplies and simulates the performance of the process specified in that design.

# Process Simulation

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## Unit Operation Model Types

- Mixers/Splitters - Mixer, FSplit, SSplit
- Separators - Flash2, Flash3, Decanter, Sep
- Heat Exchangers – Heater, HeatX
- Columns – DSTWU, Distl, RadFrac
- Reactors – RYield, RStoic, REquil, RGibbs, RCSTR, RPlug, RBatch.

# Steps for developing a simulation:

- ▶ Defining the components (like water, ethanol, benzene etc.) Specifying what chemical components will be present in the streams of the flowsheet. Components can be searched by using the Find button. We can find various components using their molecular weight, or boiling points etc.
- ▶ Specification of Thermodynamic Methods( property method, process type).
- ▶ Select the units of measurement for input data and output.
- ▶ Developing the process flow diagram (Mainstream), which consists of the unit operations (blocks) and streams that feed and connect the blocks(mixer, separators, exchangers, columns, reactors, etc.) Convert the process flowsheet into unit operating blocks and choose an appropriate model for each block.
- ▶ Adding desired streams to the block (material / energy )which shows arrows where the stream can be connected. Red arrows indicate required streams and blue arrows indicate optional streams.
- ▶ Addition of various components to various streams.
- ▶ Entering compound information
- ▶ Entering information at locations where there are red semicircles, that means required inputs are incomplete.
- ▶ Specifying Stream and Block Information that is -the stream composition(mole fractions, mass fractions, mass flow rates or molar low rates etc.), total feed flow rate, and state for feed streams (pressure, temperature, vapour fraction etc.)
- ▶ Running the simulation and Viewing Results.

## Mixer –

Stream mixing , adding heat streams, adding work streams. Combine multiple streams into one stream.

## FSplit-

Split stream flows, Stream splitter.

We need to specify feed input conditions(Temperature, pressure, total flow rate with units, different component composition), split fractions.

## SSplit-

Substream splitter, Split substream flows.

We need to specify split fraction of outlet streams.

## Flash2- Single stage distillation column

Two-outlet flash, determine thermal and phase conditions, separates vapour and liquid at VLE. Temperature and pressure of flash is kept in between the boiling points of the two components. We get the lighter component from the top stream and heavier at the bottom. To get the heavier component from the top we select that component as key component.

## Flash3-

Three-outlet flash

## **Decanter-**

Liquid-liquid decanter, single stage separators with two liquid phases and no vapor phase.

## **Sep-**

Multi-outlet component separator, separate inlet stream components into any number of outlet streams. We need to specify split fraction of outlet streams.

## **Heater-**

Heater or cooler. When using single heater , for heater we need to specify either temperature or pressure and heat duty.

If we are exchanging heat between two heaters then we require only temperature or pressure for the second heater.

## **HeatX-** Need to specify two hot and cold streams.

Two-stream heat exchanger, exchange heat between two streams.

**Shortcut method-** Performs simple material and energy balance calculations, and is used where geometry is unknown or unimportant.

## **Shell and tube Method**

- Rating shell and tube heat exchangers when geometry is known- Rating is done to know whether the tube is overdesigned or under designed.
- In exchanger details in thermal results actual exchanger area should be close to required exchanger area. To adjust the area we can alter tube length or number of tubes

## **DSTWU- Shortcut distillation design**

Determine minimum RR, minimum stages, and either actual RR or actual stages by Winn-Underwood Gilliland method

Columns with one feed and two product streams.

Reflux ratio= 1.3 times of Rminimum which is written as -1.3

## **RadFrac- Rigorous fractionation**

Rigorous rating and design for single columns. Outputs of DSTWU are used in its inputs (like Distillate to feed ratio, number of actual stages, feed stage, actual reflux ratio)

Specify Condenser type, phases, reboiler type, tray type, starting and ending stage etc.

## Distl-

Shortcut distillation rating. Determine separation based on RR, stages, and D:F ratio.  
Columns with one feed and two product streams. Outputs of DSTWU are used in its inputs  
(like Distillate to feed ratio, number of actual stages, feed stage, actual reflux ratio)  
Need to specify condenser and reboiler pressure.

## Reactors –

### Balance based-

-RYield- Only mass balance, no atom balancing. Used to simulate reactors in which inlets to the reactor are not completely known but outlets are known (e.g., to simulate a furnace).

-RStoic- Requires both an atom and a mass balance. Used where both the equilibrium data and the kinetics are either unknown or unimportant.

### Equilibrium based-

Do not take reaction kinetics into account.

#### -REquil-

Computes combined chemical and phase equilibrium by solving reaction equilibrium equations.

Useful when there are many components, a few known reactions, and when relatively few components take part in the reactions.

### -RGibbs-

Useful when reactions occurring are not known or are high in number due to many components participating in the reactions.

12 This is the only Aspen Plus block that will deal with solid-liquid gas phase equilibrium.

### Kinetics based-

Reaction kinetics are taken into account.

#### -RCSTR-

Used when reaction kinetics are known and when the reactor contents have same properties as outlet stream.

Allows for any number of feeds, which are mixed internally.

Up to three product streams are allowed - vapor, liquid1, liquid2 or vapor, liquid, free water.

#### -RPlug-

Handles only rate-based reactions.

A cooling stream is allowed.

We must provide reactor length and diameter.

#### -RBatch-

Handles rate-based kinetics reactions only.

Any number of continuous or delayed feeds are allowed .

Must provide one of the following: stop criteria, cycle time, or result time.

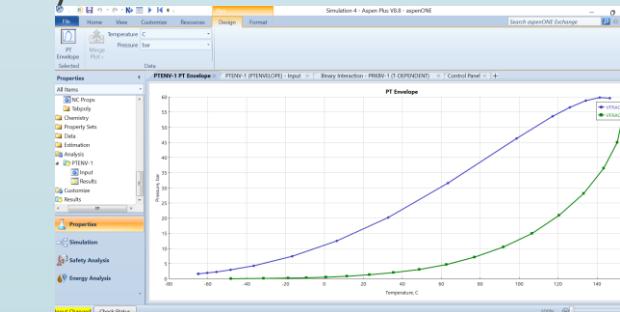
# Drawing various curves in aspen

- 1) Pure analysis-** Using this we can get the curve of any property of the component ( cp, cv, density) over a temperature range or discrete temperature values.
- 2) PT envelope-** To show the phases of a substance. Line separating solid and vapor phases is sublimation line. Line separating solid and liquid phases is fusion line. Line separating liquid and vapor phases is vaporization line. The point where three lines meet is called the triple point where all three phases can exist in equilibrium. The point where vaporization line ends is called the critical point. At temperatures and pressures greater than those at the critical point, no substance can exist as liquid no matter how great pressure is exerted upon it.

PT envelope (for pure component)- It gives the curve of pressure vs temperature for a particular flow rate of any component.

we can compare the properties of different component by merging their plots.

PT envelope (for binary system)- Using this we get the of pressure vs temperature curve at particular flow rates of two components ( in a fixed ratio). Between the curves vapour and liquid will be in equilibrium (as seen in the figure)



### **3) Binary Analysis**

Using this we can plot T-xy , P-xy, Gibbs energy and y vs x plot for binary systems (VLE) , where x and y are the liquid and vapour mole fractions of any one component and that are in equilibrium. Between the curves VLE exists.

Tie line- A constant temperature line representing mole fraction of a component in liquid and vapour phase (also shown in the figure below).

T- xy graph is plotted at constant pressure and P- xy is plotted at constant temperature.

## Assignment 1

Problem statement-Practice each (same) problem covered in session 2b, 3 & 4, which covers

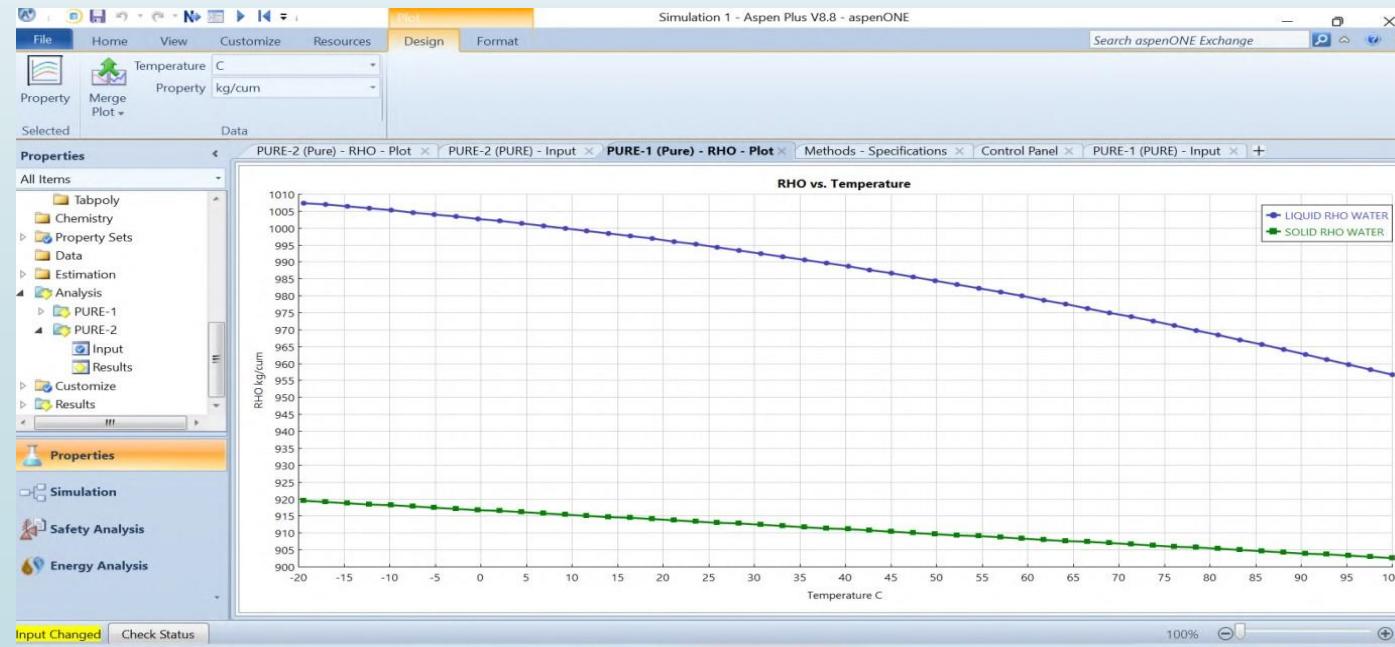
- 1). Pure (property graph and merging of graphs for property comparison) and Binary analysis ( $T_{xy}$ ,  $P_{xy}$  &  $xy$  diagram)
- 2). Mixer/Splitters (Mixer, FSplit, SSplit)
- 3). Separators (Flash2, Flash3, Decanter, Sep)
- 4). Exchangers (Heater, HeatX)
- 5). Columns (DSTWU, Distl, RadFrac) Hint: Use output of DSTWU as input for Distl & RadFrac column.

Solution:

1)

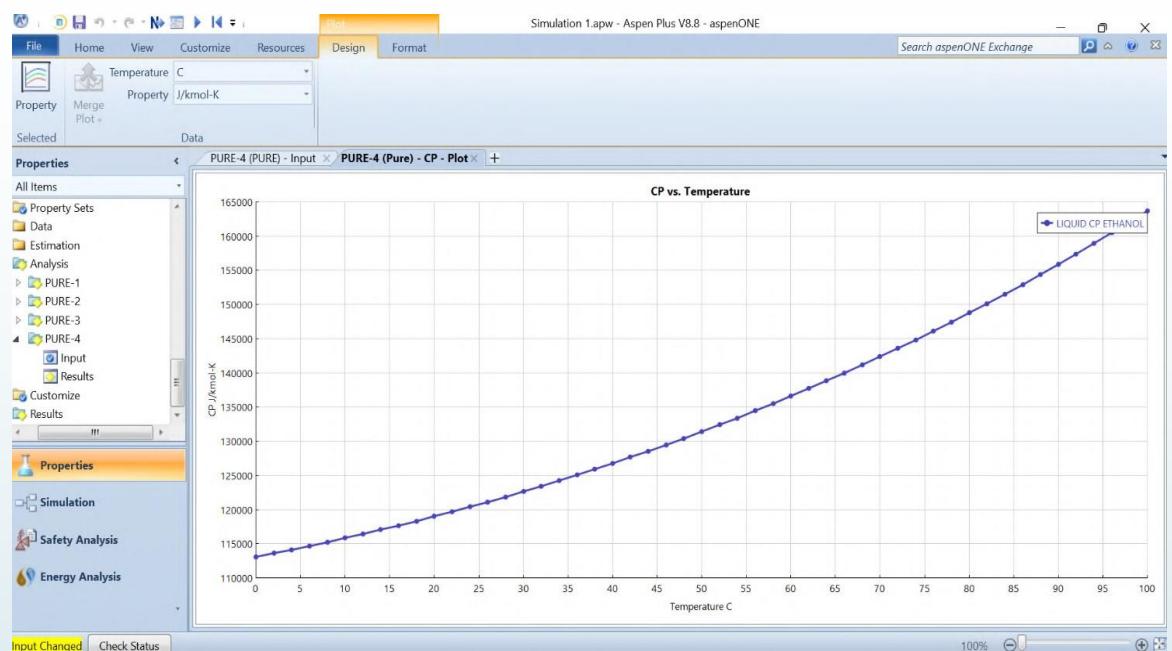
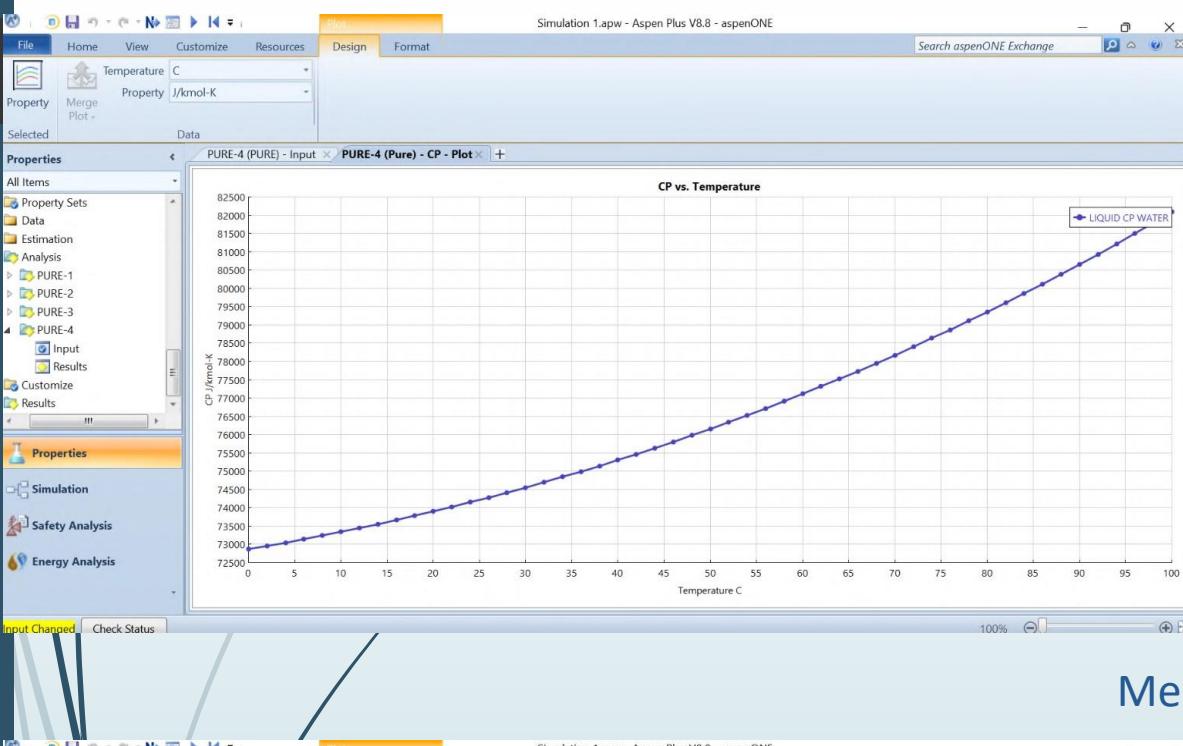
a) For pure water – Density vs Temperature for vapour and liquid phase (for a temperature range of -19.42 to 100 degree celcius)

Pressure=1.59325 Bar, Property Method-NRTL

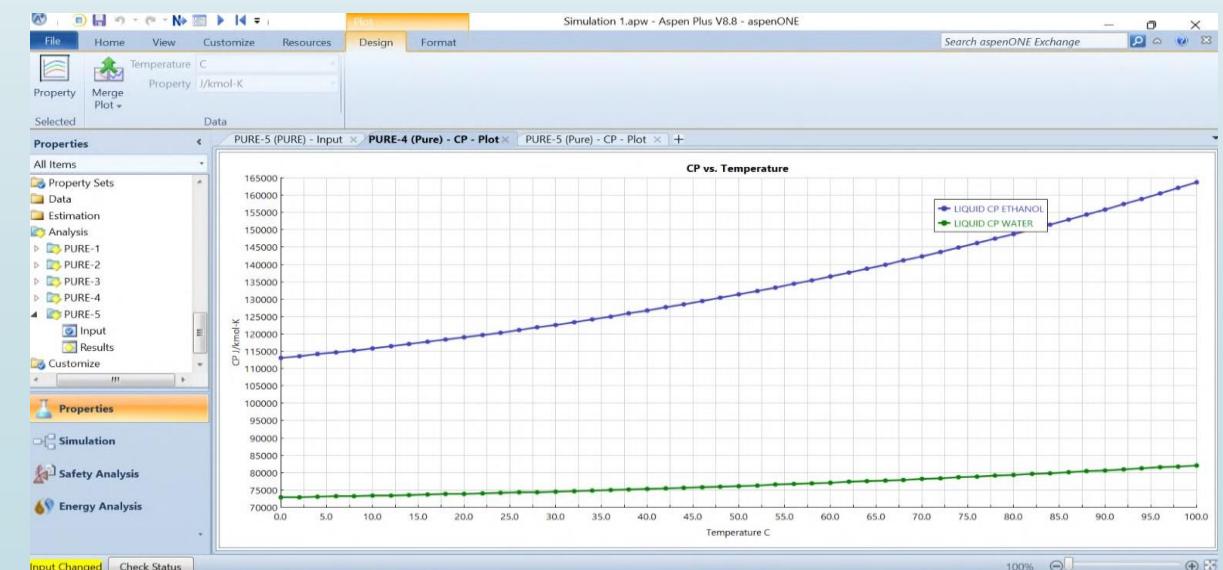


# CP vs temperature of water and ethanol binary system, Property method-NRTL

## Individual plots-



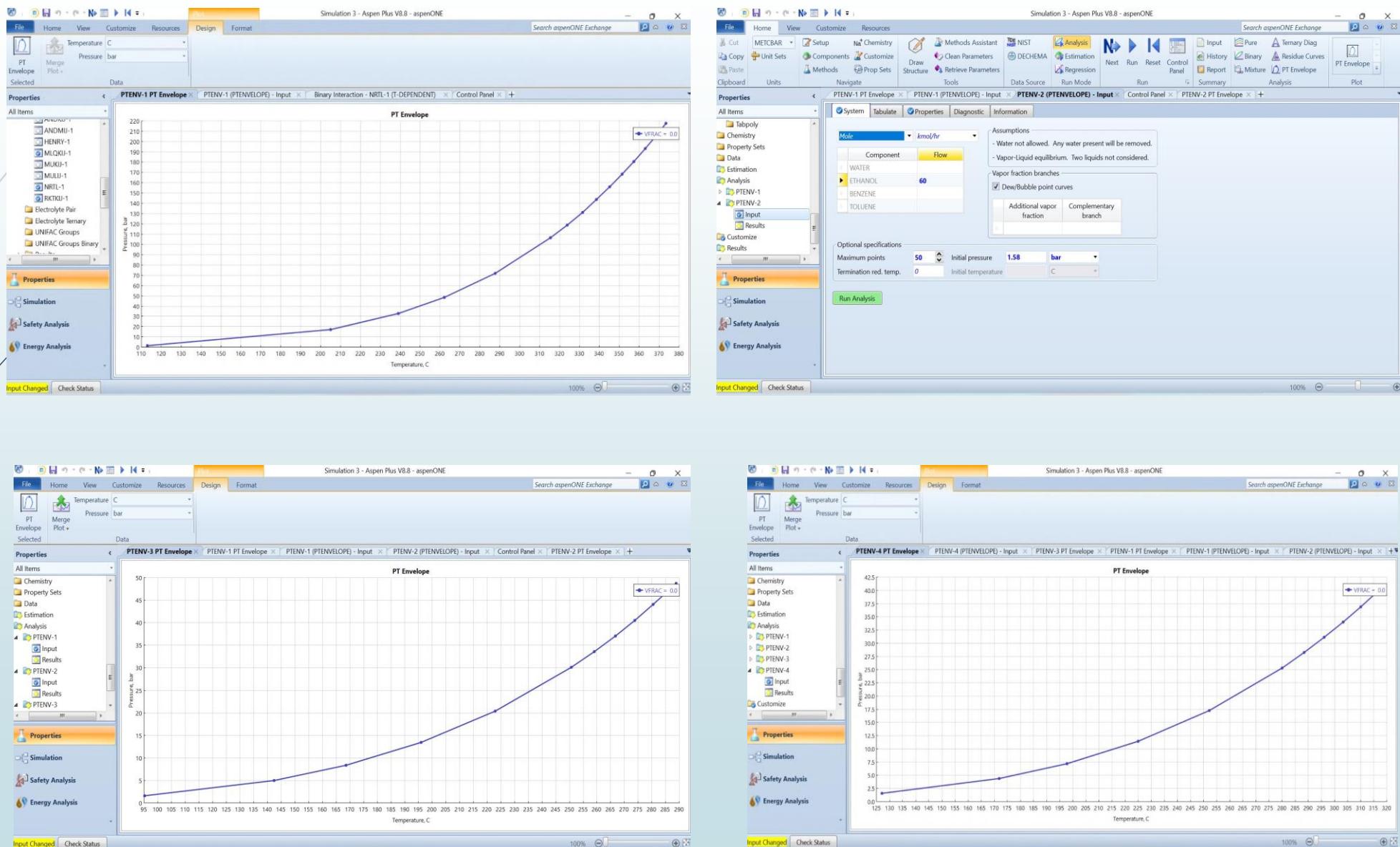
Merged curves



# PT envelopes of pure components and their comparison (water, ethanol, benzene, toluene-in order)

Pressure=1.58 Bar, Molar flow rate of each component=60 Kmol/hr

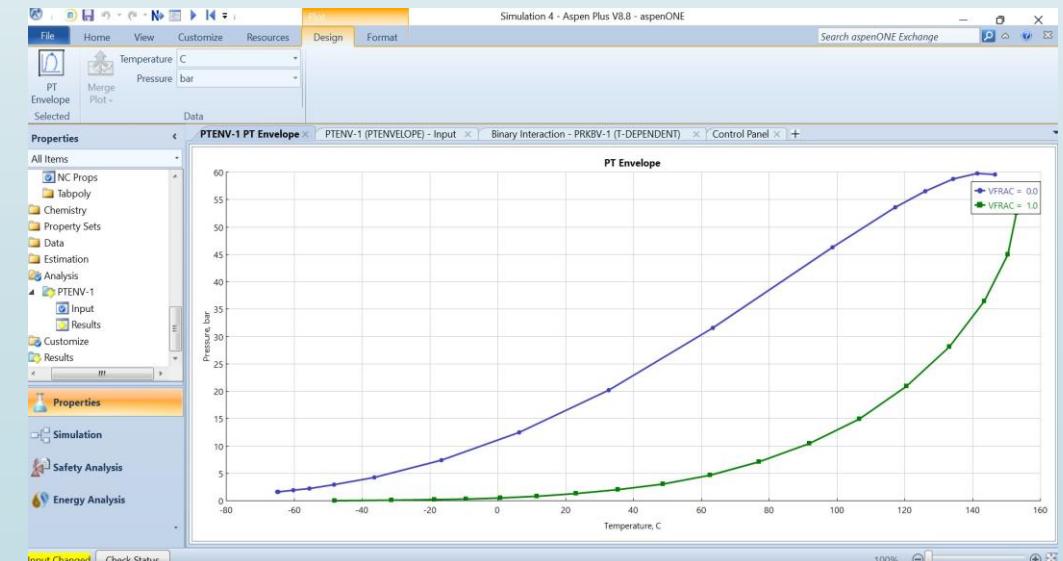
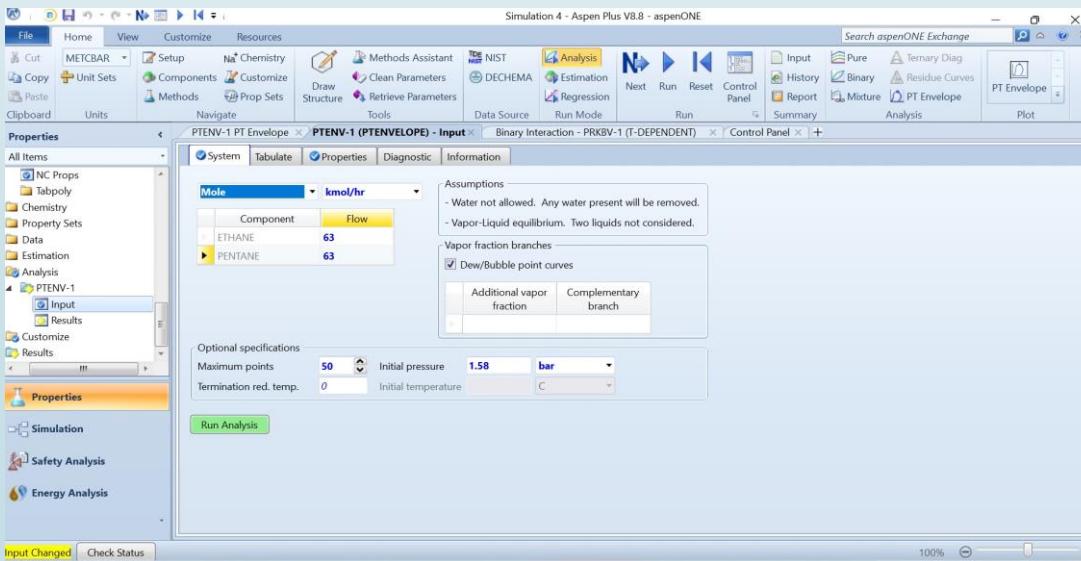
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# Merged curves



For binary system of ethane and pentane -PT envelope

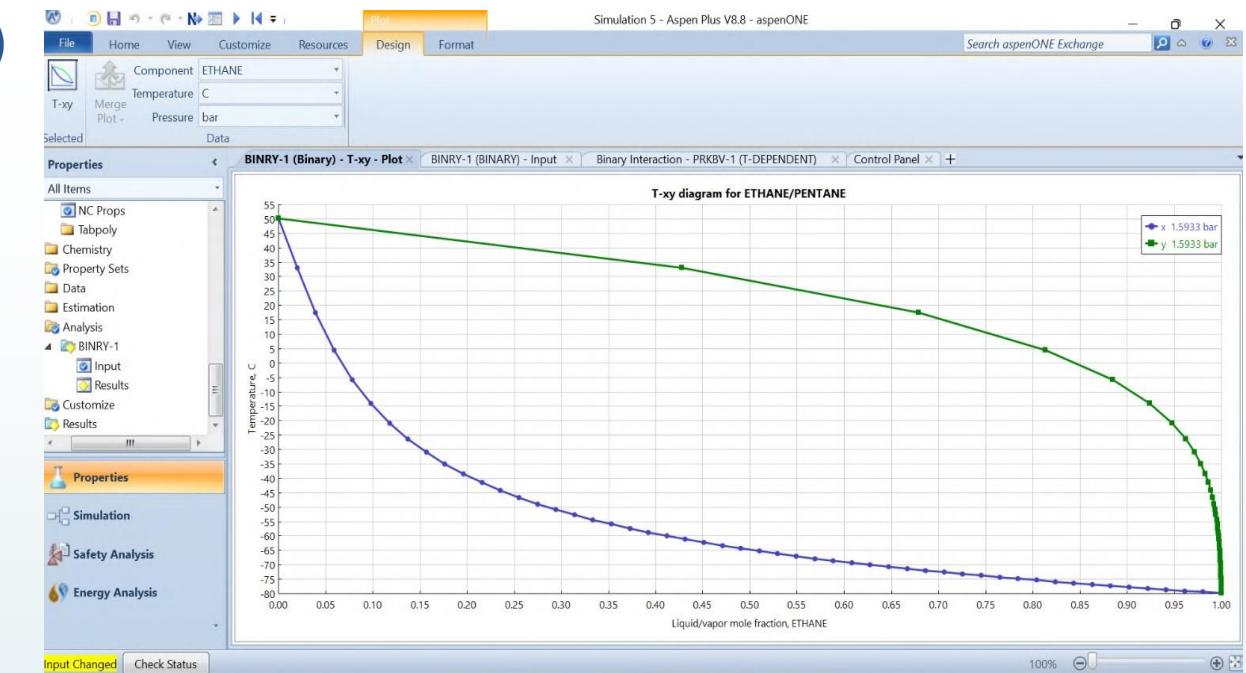


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## T-xy plot – For ethane and pentane (Mole basis)

Pressure=1.59325 Bar

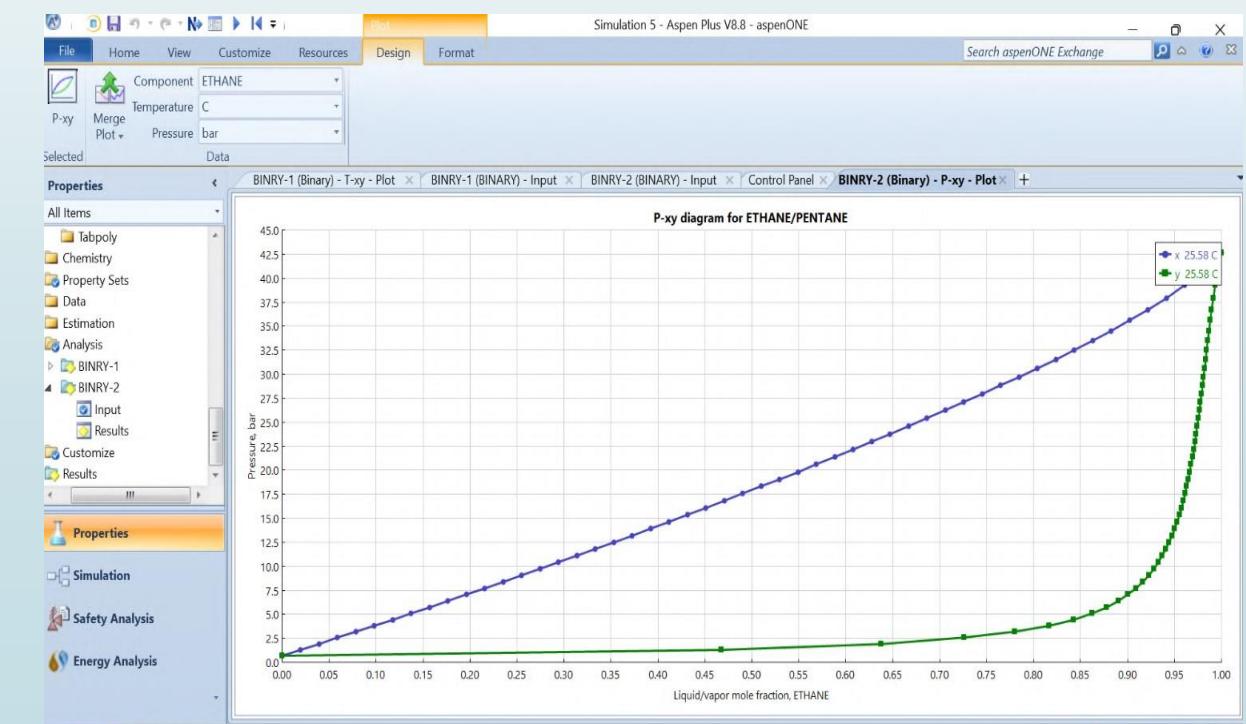
Property Method= PENG-ROB



## P-xy plot For ethane and pentane (Mole basis)

Temperature=25.58 degree celcius

Property Method= PENG-ROB



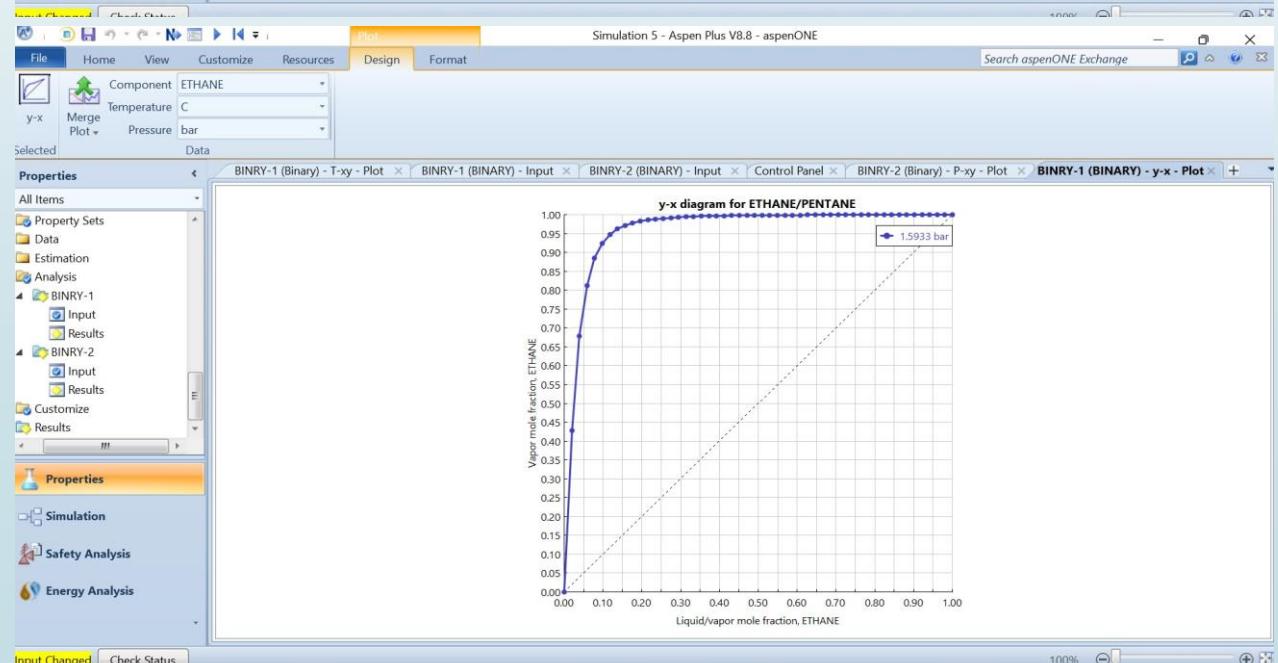
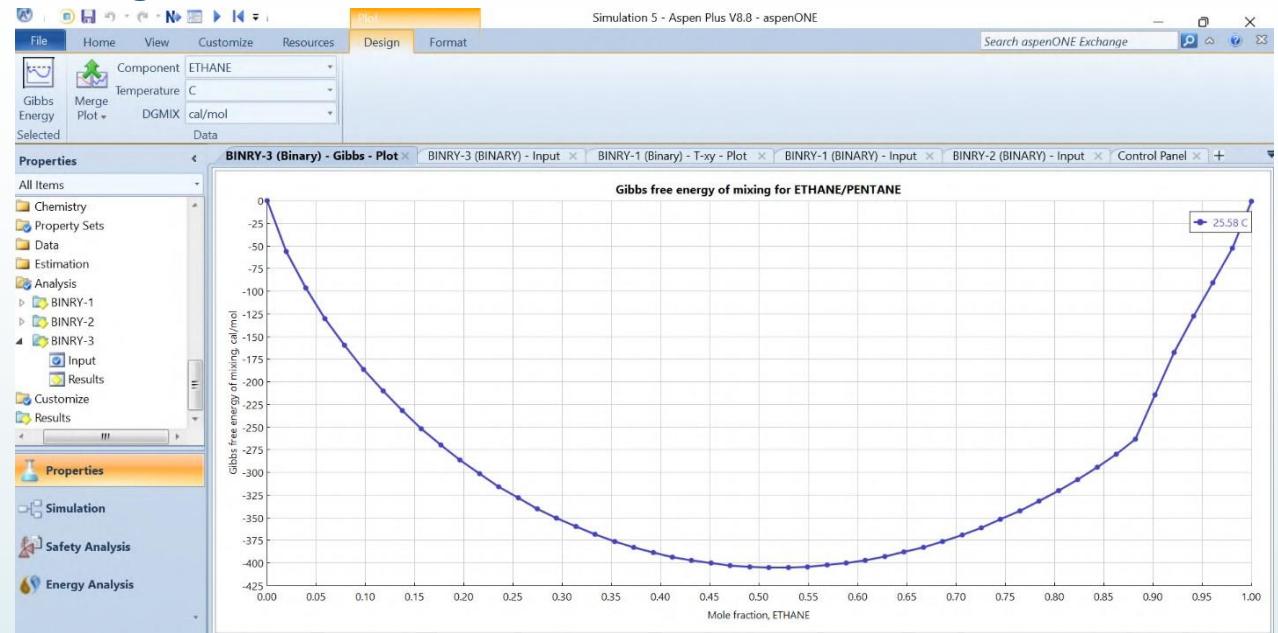
# Gibbs energy plot-For ethane and pentane (Mole basis)

Pressure=1.59325 Bar, Temperature=25.58 degree celcius

Property Method= PENG-ROB

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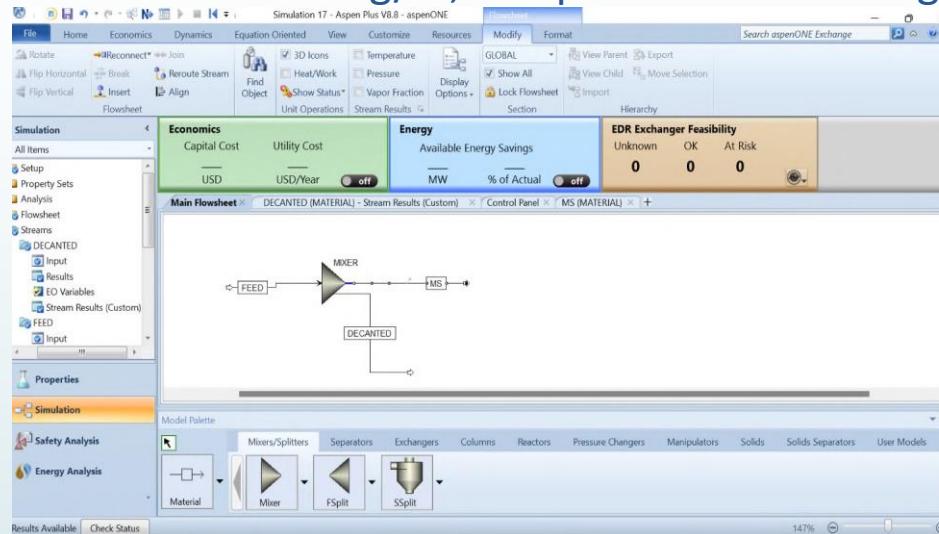
Y vs X



## 2). Mixer/Splitters (Mixer, FSplit, SSplit) with decanted stream

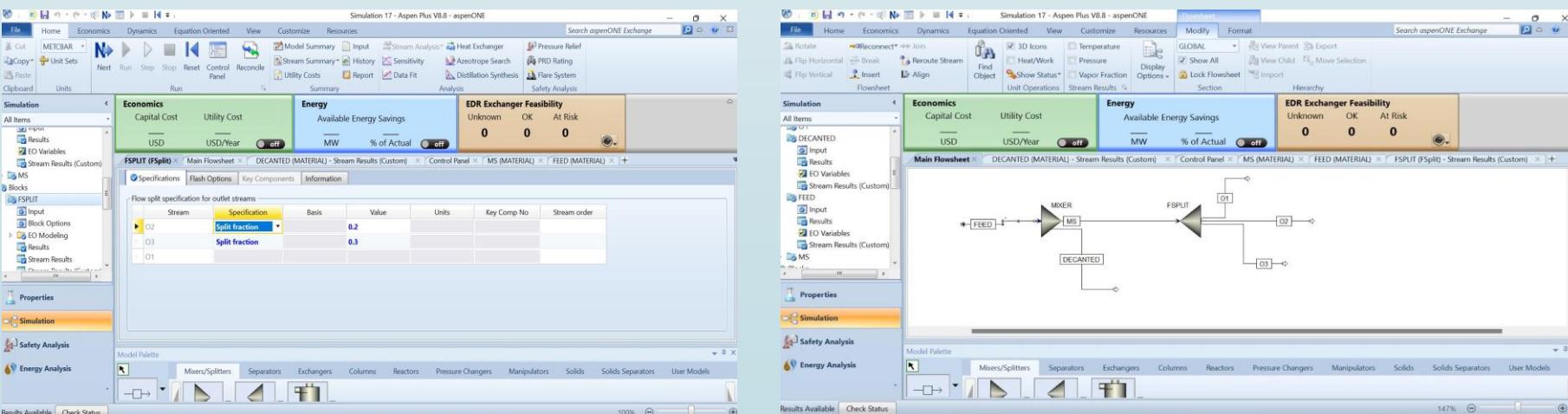
Mixer -Feed -Benzene, water, toluene, mass fractions=0.3, 0.2, 0.5 respectively.

Total Mass flow rate=3000kg/hr, Temperature=25.58 degree celcius, pressure=1.58 atm



Fsplit-Feed -Benzene, water, toluene, mass fractions=0.3, 0.2, 0.5 respectively.

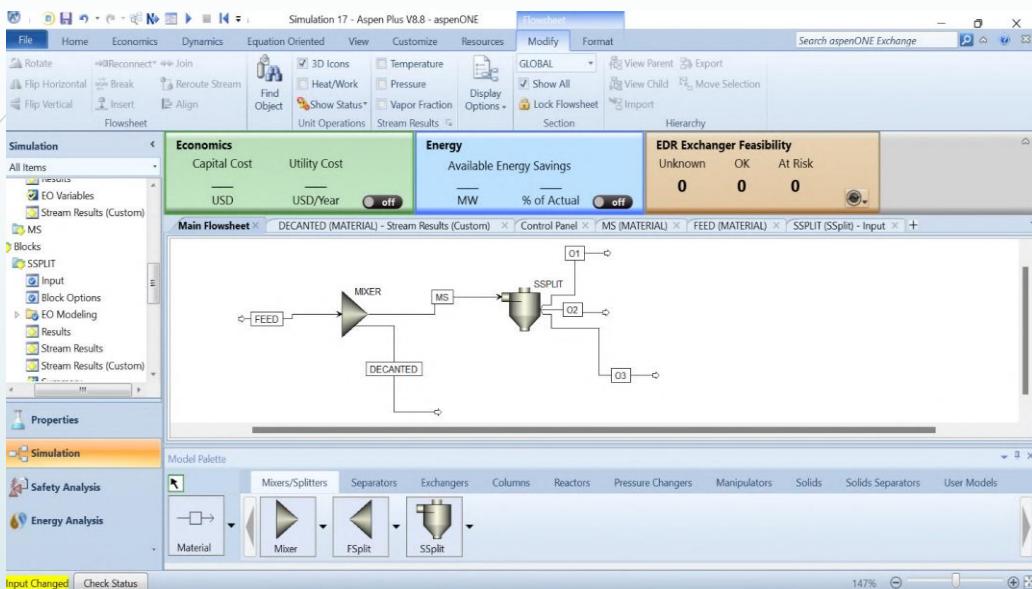
Total Mass floe rate=3000kg/hr, Temperature=25.58 degree celcius, pressure=1.58 atm



Stream Results				
From	Units	O2	FSPLIT	
To				Page 1/2 2022-05-
Substream: MIXED				
Phase:				
Component Mole Flow				
	MS	O1	Liquid	21
	MIXER	FSPLIT		11:49:30
	FSPLIT			
	Liquid	Liquid		
BENZENE	KMOL/HR	11.74443	5.872214	2.348886
WATER	KMOL/HR	0.1302309	0.0651154	0.0260461
TOLUENE	KMOL/HR	16.59422	8.29711	3.318844
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	28.46888	14.23444	5.693776
Mass Flow	KG/HR	2448.746	1224.373	489.7492
Volume Flow	L/MIN	47.88151	23.94075	9.576302
Temperature	C	39.67601	39.67601	39.67601
Pressure	BAR	1.600935	1.600935	1.600935
Vapor Fraction		0	0	0
Liquid Fraction		1	1	1
Solid Fraction		0	0	0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	6716.411	6716.411	6716.411
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	78.08432	78.08432	78.08432
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	53113.52	26556.76	10622.7
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-69.69254	-69.69254	-69.69254
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.8102385	-0.8102385	-0.8102385
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.00990949	0.00990949	0.00990949
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.8523632	0.8523632	0.8523632
Average Molecular Weight		86.01485	86.01485	86.01485

Stream Results				
From	Units	O3	DECANTED	FEED
To		FSPLIT	MIXER	MIXER
Substream: MIXED				
Phase:		Liquid	Liquid	Liquid
Component Mole Flow				
BENZENE	KMOL/HR	3.523328	0	11.74443
WATER	KMOL/HR	0.0390692	33.81873	33.94896
TOLUENE	KMOL/HR	4.978266	0	16.59422
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	8.540663	33.81873	62.28761
Mass Flow	KG/HR	734.6238	609.2539	3058
Volume Flow	L/MIN	14.36445	10.23149	54.84273
Temperature	C	39.67601	39.67601	25.58
Pressure	BAR	1.600935	1.600935	1.600935
Vapor Fraction		0	0	0
Liquid Fraction		1	1	1
Solid Fraction		0	0	0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	6716.411	-68004.83	-33853.09
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	78.08432	-3774.841	-689.5448
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	15934.06	-638840	-585730
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-69.69254	-38.12094	-53.80933
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.8102385	-2.116034	-1.096028
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.00990949	0.0550892	0.0189291
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.8523632	0.9924488	0.929324
Average Molecular Weight		86.01485	18.01528	49.09484

## Ssplit- Feed and conditions are same as FSplit



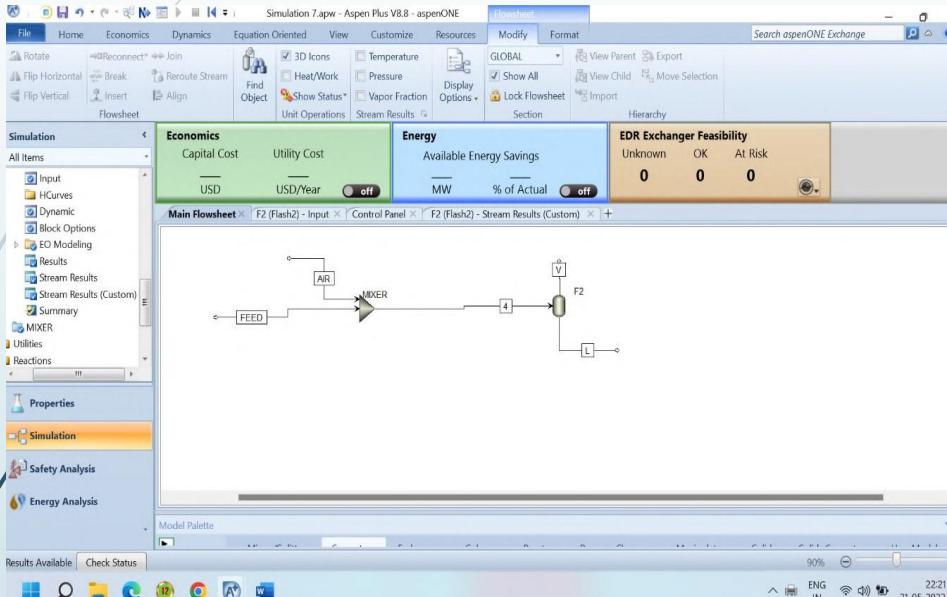
<b>Volume Flow</b>	<b>L/MIN</b>	<b>23.94075</b>
<b>Temperature</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>39.67601</b>
<b>Pressure</b>	<b>BAR</b>	<b>1.600935</b>
<b>Vapor Fraction</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Liquid Fraction</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>Solid Fraction</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Molar Enthalpy</b>	<b>CAL/MOL</b>	<b>6716.411</b>
<b>Mass Enthalpy</b>	<b>CAL/GM</b>	<b>78.08432</b>
<b>Enthalpy Flow</b>	<b>CAL/SEC</b>	<b>26556.76</b>
<b>Molar Entropy</b>	<b>CAL/MOL-K</b>	<b>-69.69254</b>
<b>Mass Entropy</b>	<b>CAL/GM-K</b>	<b>0.810238</b>
		<b>5</b>
<b>Molar Density</b>	<b>MOL/CC</b>	<b>0.009909</b>
		<b>49</b>
<b>Mass Density</b>	<b>GM/CC</b>	<b>0.852363</b>
		<b>2</b>
<b>Average Molecular Weight</b>		<b>86.01485</b>

### 3). Separators (Flash2, Flash3, Decanter, Sep) Method-NRTL

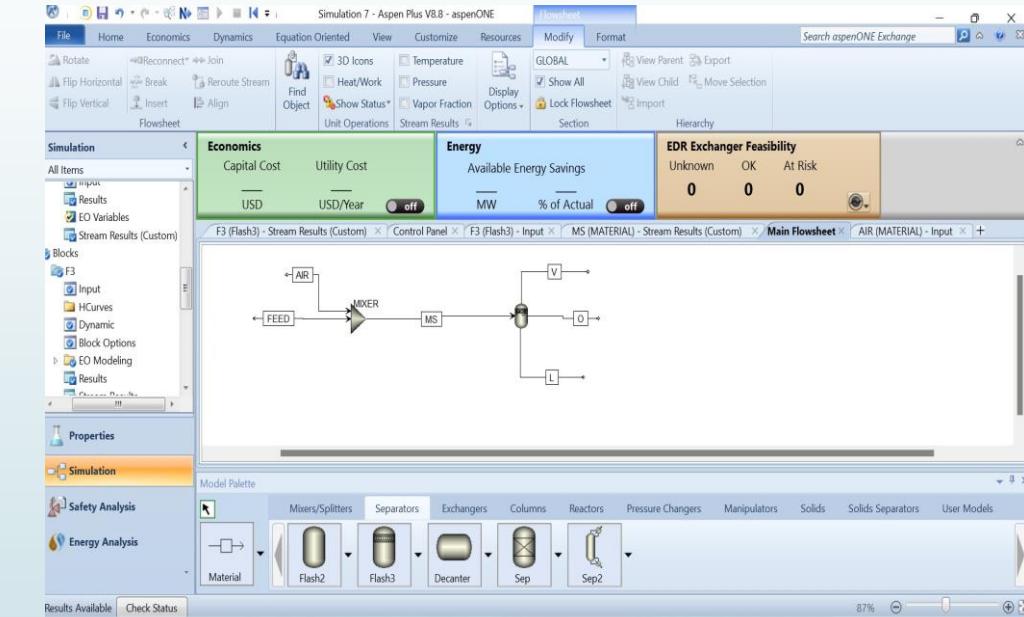
MIXER AND FLASH (INPUT- Naphthalene, Toluene, Water with 0.18, 0.26, 0.56 mole fractions respectively and Temp=25.58 degree celcius, pressure=2.08 atm, Total flow rate=1058 kg/h

AIR-Temp=25.58 deg celcius, Pressure=2.04 atm , Flow rate=558 kg/h

Flash- Temp.=50.58 deg celcius, Pressure= 1.78 Bar



Flash2



Flash3

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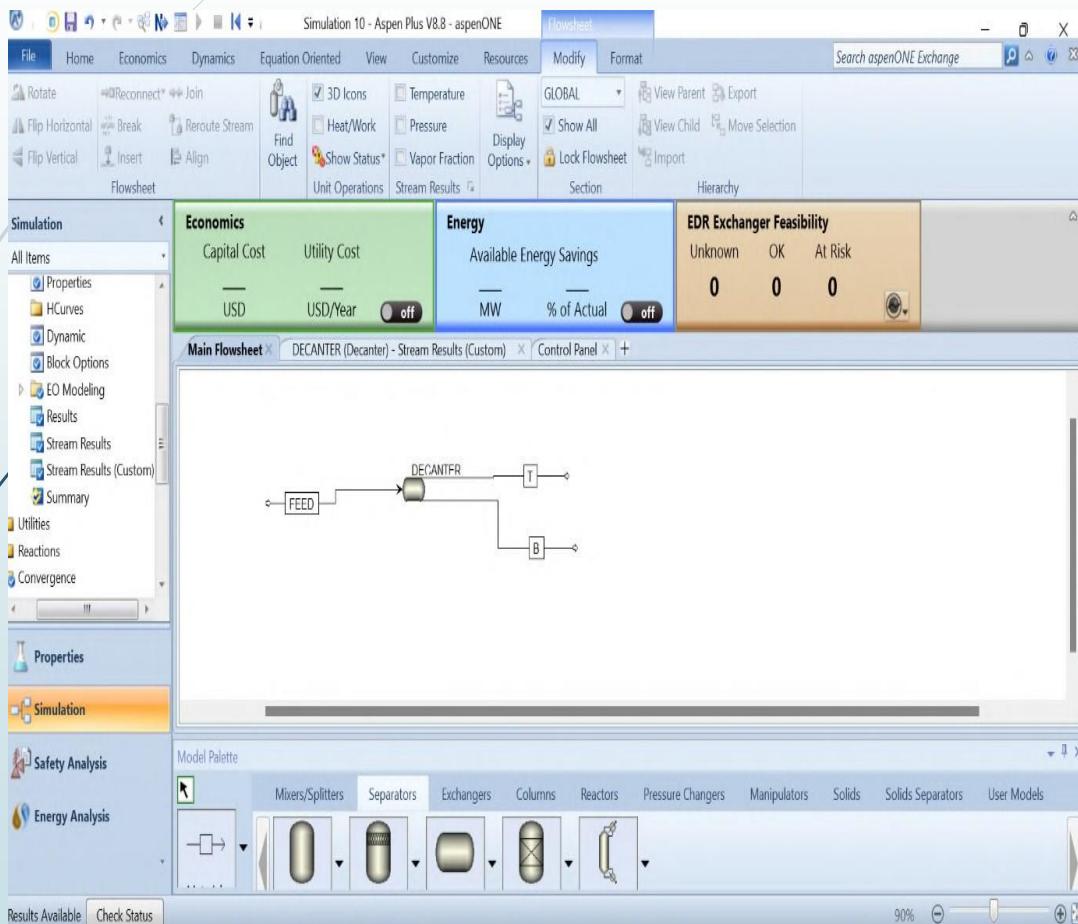
	Stream Results					Stream Results					AIR	KMOL/HR	19.25816
From	Units	4	L	V	To	Units	L	MS	O		Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	21.64229
<b>Substream: MIXED Phase:</b>													
Component Mole Flow					Component Mole Flow					Mass Flow	KG/HR	663.0736	
NAPHT-01	Mixed		Liquid	Vapor	TOLUENE	Liquid	Mixed	Liquid					
TOLUENE					NAPHT-01					Volume Flow	L/MIN	5454.34	
WATER					AIR	KMOL/HR	8.769641	10.37322	0.0583612				
AIR	KMOL/HR	3.334248	3.32458	0.00966815	Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	0.000855648	4.816136	3.987374				
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	4.816136	2.756811	2.059325	Mass Flow	KMOL/HR	6.57192E-05	3.334248	3.323174				
Mass Flow	KMOL/HR	10.37322	8.162075	2.211141	Volume Flow	KMOL/HR	0.000954181	19.27401	0.0148881				
Volume Flow	KMOL/HR	19.27401	0.0132408	19.26077	Temperature	KMOL/HR	8.771517	37.79761	7.383797				
Temperature	KMOL/HR	37.79761	14.25671	23.5409	Pressure	KG/HR	158.1024	1616	794.824				
Pressure	KG/HR	1616	827.5625	788.4375	Vapor Fraction	L/MIN	2.719845	3866.975	14.33603				
Vapor Fraction	L/MIN	8817.622	14.02154		Liquid Fraction	C	50.58	17.03054	50.58				
Liquid Fraction	C	17.17647	50.58	5855.249	Solid Fraction	BAR	1.78	2.08	1.78				
Solid Fraction	BAR	2.10756	1.803585	50.58	Molar Enthalpy		0	0.5268889	0				
Molar Enthalpy		0.5267614	0	1.803585	Mass Enthalpy		1	0.4731111	1				
Mass Enthalpy					Enthalpy Flow		0	0	0				
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/MOL	-16258.03	-32341.64	0	Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL	-67787.18	-16264.84	12578.28				
	CAL/GM	-380.2689	-557.1606	-4138.758	Mass Entropy	CAL/GM	-3760.83	-380.4283	116.8504				
	CAL/SEC	-170700	-128080	-123.5736	Molar Density	CAL/MOL-K	-165170	-170770	25798.75				
				-27063.91	Mass Density	CAL/MOL-K	-37.49129	-29.26657	-78.17417				
					Average Molecular Weight	CAL/GM-K	-2.080015	-0.6845337	-				
					From	MOL/CC	0.0537501	0.000162908	0.7262244				
					To	GM/CC	0.9688201	0.00696496	0.0085842				
					Substream: MIXED		18.02453	42.75403	0.9240402				
					Phase:				107.6443				
					Component Mole Flow								
					WATER								
					TOLUENE								
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-29.26044	-55.64179	-5.298683	NAPHT-01								
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.6843902	-0.9585605	-0.1582063									
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.000165014	0.0169462	6.7008E-05									
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.007055	0.9836799	0.00224425									
Average Molecular Weight		42.75403	58.04724	33.49224									

Flash2

Flash3

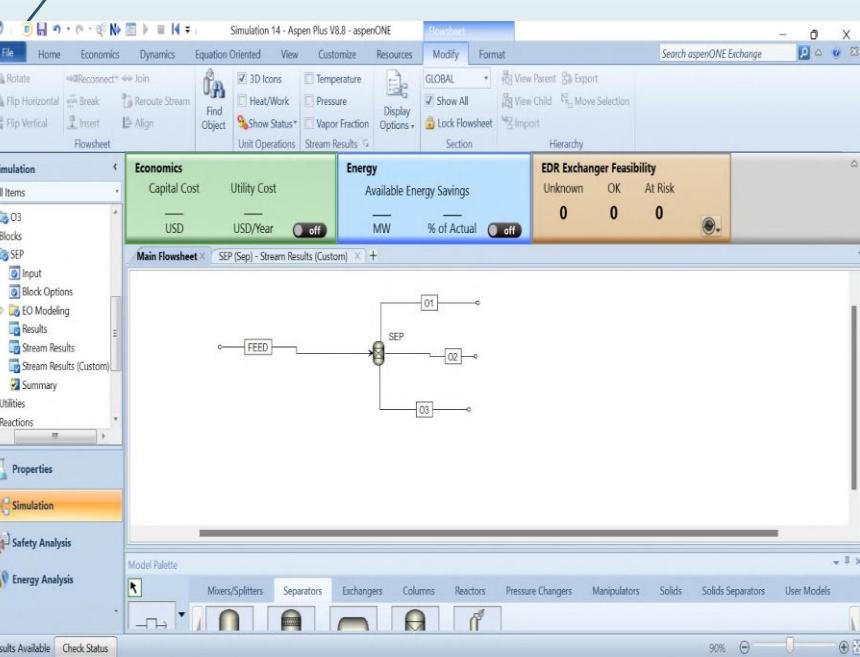
AIR

**DECANTER ( P- xylene and water-Temp=30.58 deg celcius, Pressure=1.58 atm,  
Total flow rate=2058kg/h, and 0.5 mass fraction of both components)  
Decanter- Temp=40.58 deg celcius,, Pressure=1.58 Bar**



	Stream Results	B	FEED	T
From	Units	DECANTER		DECANTER
To			DECANTER	
<b>Substream: MIXED</b>				
Phase:		Liquid	Liquid	Liquid
Component Mole Flow				
P-XYL-01	KMOL/HR	0.00228087	9.692241	9.689959
WATER	KMOL/HR	57.09191	57.11818	0.0262699
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	57.09419	66.81042	9.716229
Mass Flow	KG/HR	1028.769	2058	1029.231
Volume Flow	L/MIN	17.51816	36.69788	20.22996
Temperature	C	40.58	30.58	40.58
Pressure	BAR	1.58	1.600935	1.58
Vapor Fraction		0	0	0
Liquid Fraction		1	1	1
Solid Fraction		0	0	0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-67981.36	-59046.05	-5295.488
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-3772.802	-1916.857	-49.99089
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-1078200	-1095800	-14292.27
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-38.06154	-49.38345	-105.4639
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-2.112323	-1.603173	-
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.054319	0.0303425	0.0080048
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.9787644	0.9346589	0.8479429
Average Molecular Weight		18.0188	30.80358	105.9291

SEPARATOR – RK-ASPEN Method  
 (Input- benzene and water,  
 Temp=120.58 deg celcius,  
 Pressure=1.58 atm, Total flow rate=158  
 kmol/h with 0.6 and 0.4 mol fractions of  
 components respectively)  
 Output streams-1<sup>st</sup> stream=0.7 split  
 fraction of benzene(water free), 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 stream=0.7 split fraction of  
 water(benzene free), 3<sup>rd</sup> stream=0.3  
 split fraction for both water and  
 benzene



Temperature	C	120.58
Pressure	BAR	1.600935
Vapor Fraction		1
Liquid Fraction		0
Solid Fraction		0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-9637.867
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-178.2338
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-126900
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-21.61685
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.399762
Molar Density	MOL/CC	5.00537E-03
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.00270662
Average Molecular Weight		54.0743

## 4). Exchangers (Heater, HeatX)

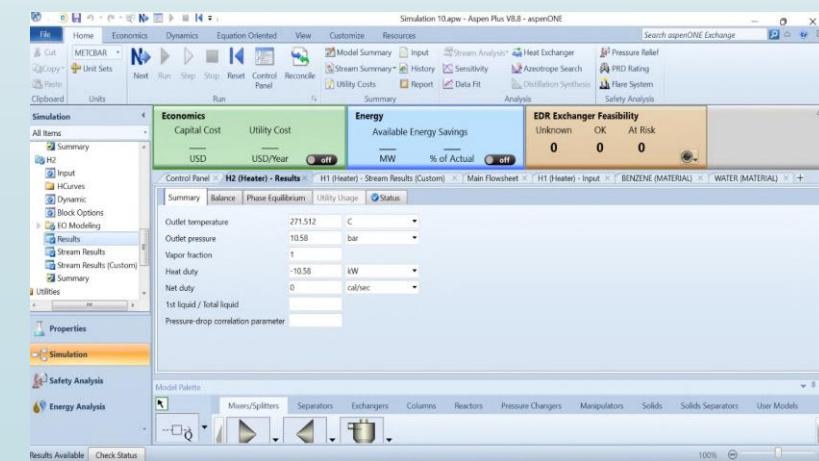
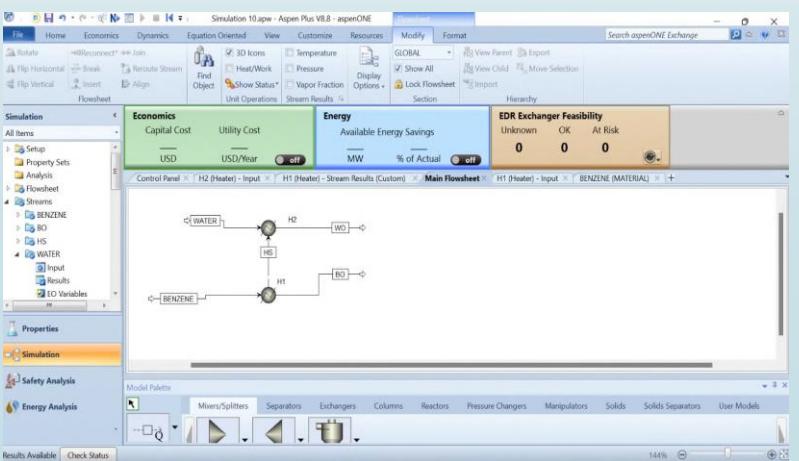
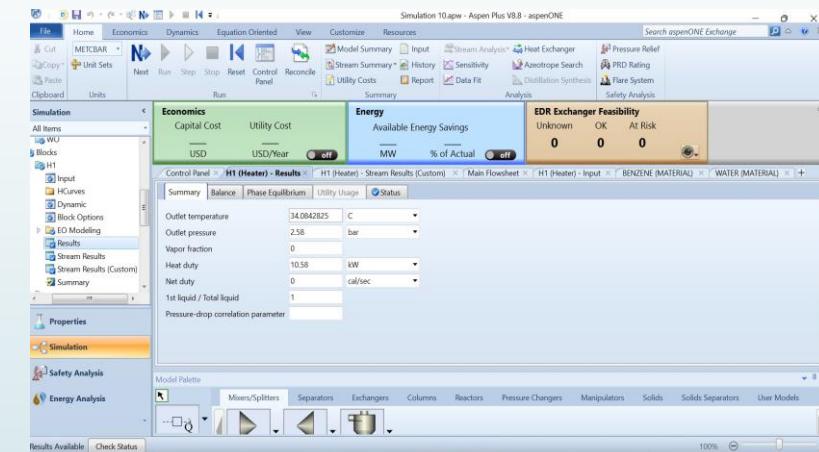
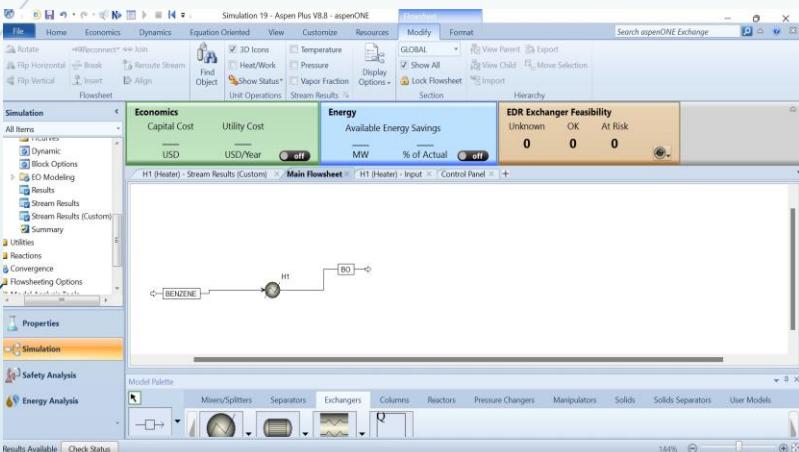
### HEATER

Feed-Water(Temp=300.58 deg celcius, Pressure=10.58 Bar, Flow rate=658 kg/h)

Benzene(Temp=30.58 deg celcius, Pressure=2.58 Bar, Flow rate=6058 kg/h)

H1(Pressure=2.58 Bar, Heat duty=10.58 KW,

H2(Pressure=10.58 bar



## Stream results H1

	Units	BENZENE	BO
From			H1
To		H1	
Substream: MIXED			
Phase:		Liquid	Liquid
Component Mole Flow			
WATER	KMOL/HR	0	0
BENZENE	KMOL/HR	77.55368	77.55368
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	77.55368	77.55368
Mass Flow	KG/HR	6058	6058
Volume Flow	L/MIN	116.5243	117.0015
Temperature	C	30.58	34.08428
Pressure	BAR	2.58	2.58
Vapor Fraction		0	0
Liquid Fraction		1	1
Solid Fraction		0	0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	11890.16	12007.46
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	152.2162	153.7178
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	256146	258673
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-59.81868	-59.43789
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.7657905	-0.7609156
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.0110926	0.0110473
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.8664861	0.8629517
Average Molecular Weight	78.11364	78.11364	
Units	WATER	WO	

## Stream Results H2

From			H2
To		H2	
substream: MIXED		Vapor	Vapor
Phase:			
Component Mole Flow			
WATER	KMOL/HR	36.52455	36.52455
BENZENE	KMOL/HR	0	0
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	36.52455	36.52455
Mass Flow	KG/HR	658	658
Volume Flow	L/MIN	2744.623	2605.568
Temperature	C	300.58	271.5121
Pressure	BAR	10.58	10.58
Vapor Fraction		1	1
Liquid Fraction		0	0
Solid Fraction		0	0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-55476.47	-55725.54
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-3079.412	-3093.238
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-562850	-565380
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-9.873431	-10.31892
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.5480587	-0.5727871
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.000221795	0.000233631
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.00399569	0.00420894
Average Molecular Weight		18.01528	18.01528

# HEATX (SHORTCUT METHOD) -Feed input same as heater, HEATX duty=10.58 KW

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The screenshot displays two side-by-side Aspen Plus V8.8 software interfaces. Both show a 'Main Flowsheet' window containing a flow diagram of a heat exchanger (HX) unit. The flow diagram shows BENZENE entering from the left, passing through the heat exchanger, and exiting to the right. WATER enters from the bottom, passes through the heat exchanger, and exits to the left. A pump (P) is connected between the exit of the BENZENE stream and the entry of the WATER stream. A valve (V) is also present in the BENZENE line.

**Left Window (Simulation 14 - Aspen Plus V8.8 - aspenONE):**

- Toolbar:** File, Home, Economics, Dynamics, Equation Oriented, View, Customize, Resources, Modify, Format.
- Search Bar:** Search aspenONE Exchange.
- Global Options:** GLOBAL, Show All, Lock Flowsheet, Section, Hierarchy.
- Properties:** Simulation, All Items, TQ Curves, Hot HCurves, User Subroutines, Dynamic, Block Options, EO Modeling, Thermal Results, Geometry Results, EDR Shell&Tube Results, EDR AirCooled Results, EDR Plate Results, Stream Results, Stream Results (Custom).
- Model Palette:** Mixers/Splitters, Separators, Exchangers, Columns, Reactors, Pressure Changers, Manipulators, Solids, Solids Separators, User Models. Specific icons include Material, Heater, HeatX, MHeatX, and HXFLUX.
- Results Available:** Check Status.

**Right Window (Simulation 14 - Aspen Plus V8.8 - aspenONE):**

- Toolbar:** File, Home, Economics, Dynamics, Equation Oriented, View, Customize, Resources, Run, Control Panel, Reconcile, Summary, Analysis, Safety Analysis.
- Search Bar:** Search aspenONE Exchange.
- Properties:** Simulation, All Items, TQ Curves, Hot HCurves, User Subroutines, Dynamic, Block Options, EO Modeling, Thermal Results, Geometry Results, EDR Shell&Tube Results, EDR AirCooled Results, EDR Plate Results.
- Model Palette:** Mixers/Splitters, Separators, Exchangers, Columns, Reactors, Pressure Changers, Manipulators, Solids, Solids Separators, User Models. Specific icons include Material, Heater, HeatX, MHeatX, and HXFLUX.
- Thermal Results Table:**

	Value	Unit
1st liquid / Total liquid	1	
Cold stream	BENZENE	BO
Temperature	30.58	C
Pressure	2.58	bar
Vapor fraction	0	0
1st liquid / Total liquid	1	
Heat duty	10.58	kW

	Units	Stream Results	BENZENE	BO	WATER	Page 1/2
From				HX		
To					HX	
Substream: MIXED						
Phase:			Liquid	Liquid	Vapor	
Component Mole Flow						
BENZENE						
WATER	KMOL/HR	77.55368	77.55368	0		
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	0	0	36.52455		
Mass Flow	KMOL/HR	77.55368	77.55368	36.52455		
Volume Flow	KG/HR	6058	6058	658		
Temperature	L/MIN	116.5243	117.0015	2744.623		
Pressure	C	30.58	34.08428	300.58		
Vapor Fraction	BAR	2.58	2.58	10.58		
Liquid Fraction		0	0	1		
Solid Fraction		1	1	0		
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	0	0	0		
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	11890.16	12007.46	-55476.47		
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/GM	152.2162	153.7178	-3079.412		
Molar Entropy	CAL/SEC	256146	258673	-562850		
Mass Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-59.81868	-59.43789	-9.873431		
Molar Density	CAL/GM-K	-0.7657905	-0.7609156	-0.5480587		
Mass Density	MOL/CC	0.0110926	0.0110473	0.000221795		
Average Molecular Weight	GM/CC	0.8664861	0.8629517	0.00399569		
		78.11364	78.11364	18.01528		
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		Units	WO	
From			HX	
To				
Substream: MIXED			Vapor	
Phase:				
Component Mole Flow				
BENZENE				
WATER	KMOL/H R	0		
Mole Flow	KMOL/H R	36.52455		
Mass Flow	KG/HR	36.52455		
Volume Flow	L/MIN	2605.568		
Temperature	C	271.5121		
Pressure	BAR	10.58		
Vapor Fraction		1		
Liquid Fraction		0		
Solid Fraction		0		
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-55725.54		
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-3093.238		
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-565380		
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-10.31892		
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.5727871		
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.000233631		
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.00420894		
Average Molecular Weight		18.01528		

# HEATX -SHELL AND TUBE METHOD

The image displays five screenshots of the Aspen Plus software interface, illustrating the design and analysis of a shell-and-tube heat exchanger (HEATX) for a benzene/water system.

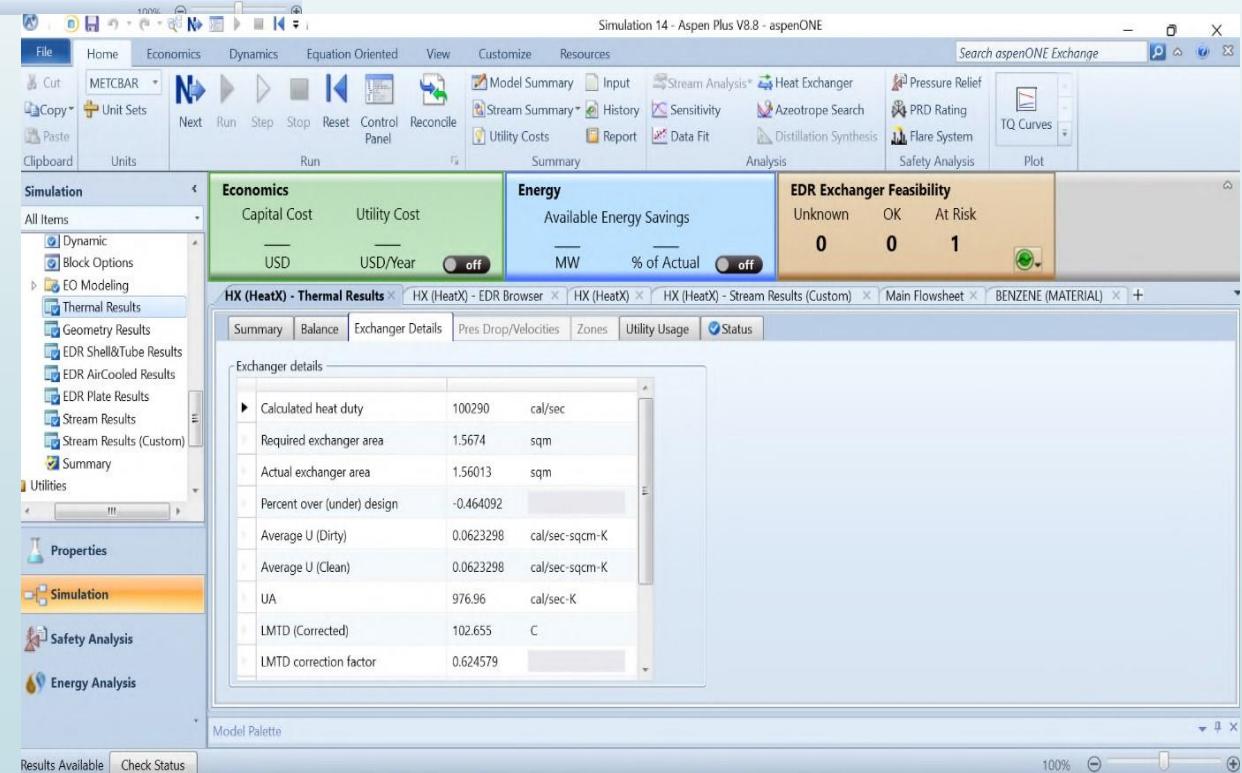
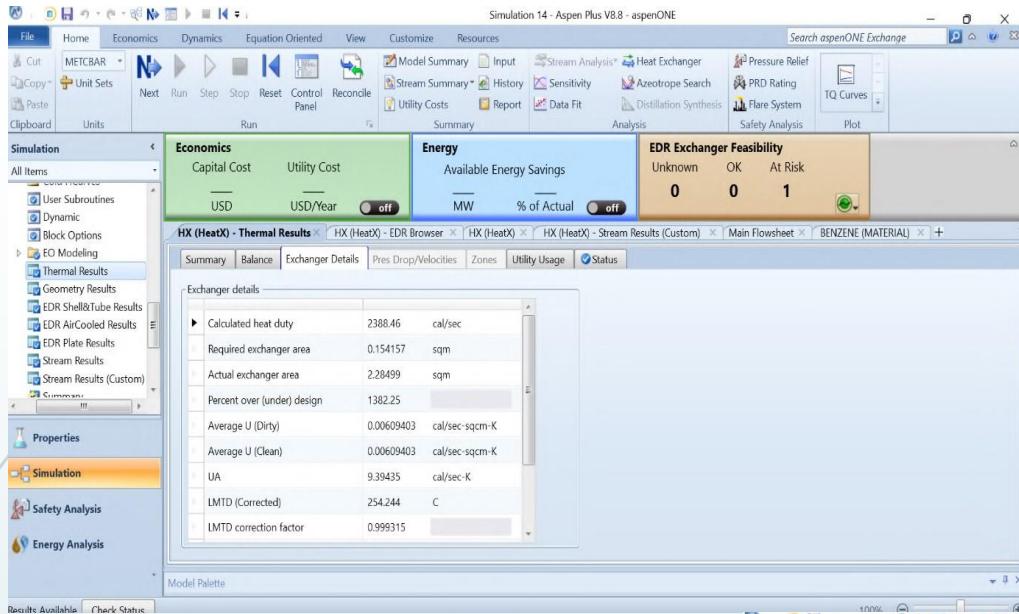
**Screenshot 1:** Main simulation window showing the process flow. A benzene stream (BENZENE) enters a shell-and-tube heat exchanger (HX) and exits to a water stream (WATER). The HX is connected to a pump (PUMP).

**Screenshot 2:** Simulation window showing the "Exchanger Design" tab. It displays the "EDR Exchanger Feasibility" status as Unknown (OK). The "Stream Temperatures" plot shows the temperature profiles for both streams across the heat exchanger length.

**Screenshot 3:** "EDR Sizing Console - Size Shell&Tube (HX)" dialog box. Key parameters set include tube side diameter (0.75 in), tube side height (0.9375 in), tube side pitch (30 in), and tube side pattern (3D-Triangular). The dialog also shows the number of passes (34), tube length (47.2441 in), and tube spacing (5.315 in).

**Screenshot 4:** "EDR Sizing Console - Size Shell&Tube (HX)" dialog box showing the calculated results. The overall heat transfer coefficient (U) is 1692 W/m²·K, and the log mean temperature difference (Δtm) is 9.5953 K.

**Screenshot 5:** Simulation window showing the "Exchanger Design" tab again. The "EDR Exchanger Feasibility" status has changed to OK. The "Stream Temperatures" plot is identical to the one in Screenshot 2.

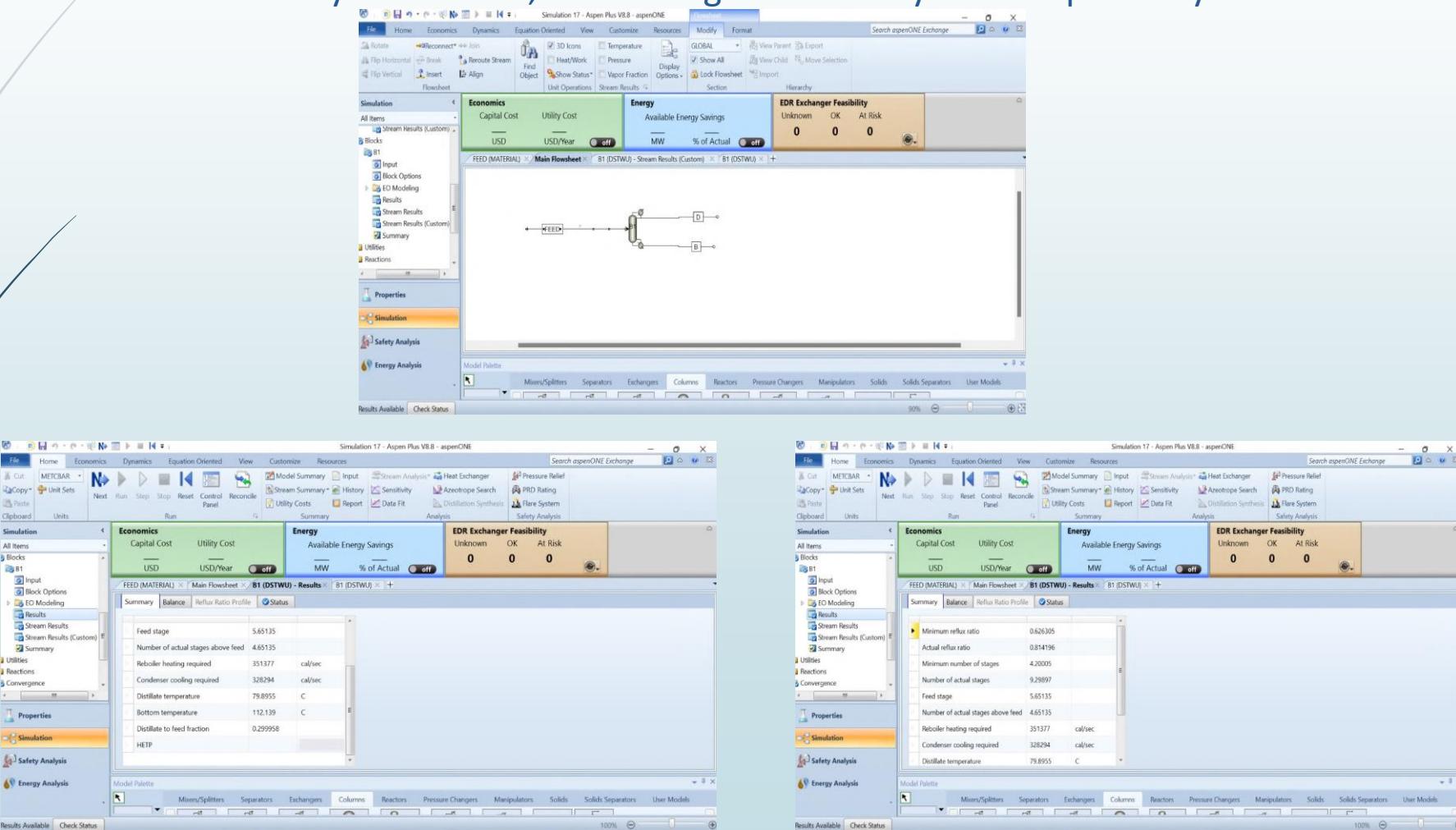


Stream Results			
From	Units	BO	WATER
To		HX	
Substream: MIXED Phase:		BENZENE	
Component Mole Flow		HX	
BENZENE	KMOL/HR	Mixed	
WATER	KMOL/HR	Vapor	
Mole Flow		Liquid	
Mass Flow		77.5536	
Volume Flow		8	
Temperature		0	
Pressure		77.5536	
Vapor Fraction		77.5536	
Liquid Fraction		8	
Solid Fraction		6058	
Molar Enthalpy		658	
Mass Enthalpy		11597.2	
Enthalpy Flow		2744.623	
Molar Entropy		1	
Mass Entropy		800.58	
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/MOL	86.4761	
Molar Entropy	CAL/GM	10.58	
Mass Entropy	CAL/SEC	6	
Molar Density	CAL/MOL-K	1.2271	
Mass Density	CAL/GM-K	0.36569	
Average Molecular Weight	MOL/CC	0	
	GM/CC	88	
		0.63430	
		14	
		55476.47	
		0	
		3079.412	
		0	
		562850	
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		0.59522	
		17	
		0.00011	
		1455	
		0.00870	
		612	
		78.1136	
		4	
From		WO	
To		HX	
Substream: MIXED			
Phase:			
Component Mole Flow			
BENZENE	KMOL/HR		
WATER	KMOL/HR		
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	Liquid	
Mass Flow	KG/HR	0	
		36.52455	
		36.52455	
		658	
Volume Flow	L/MIN	13.08347	
Temperature	C	171.2756	
Pressure	BAR	10.5438	
Vapor Fraction		0	
Liquid Fraction		1	
Solid Fraction		0	
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-65361.44	
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-3628.111	
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-663140	
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-31.29548	
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-1.737163	
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.046527	
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.838207	
Average Molecular Weight		18.01528	

## 5). Columns (DSTWU, Distl, RadFrac) NRTL-RK Method

Feed – Methanol and Water(Pressure=18,98 psi, Saturated Liquid, Total flow rate=12058 lb/h with 0.368 and 0.632 mass fractions respectively

DSTWU – Pressure=1.58 atm( Both reboiler and condenser), Reflux Ratio=1.3 Rmin, Methanol recovery rate=0.981, 0.077 in light and heavy feed respectively

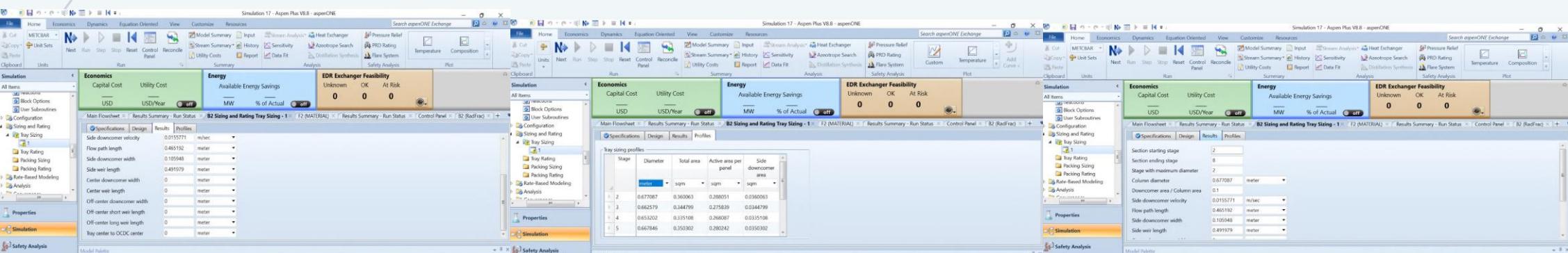
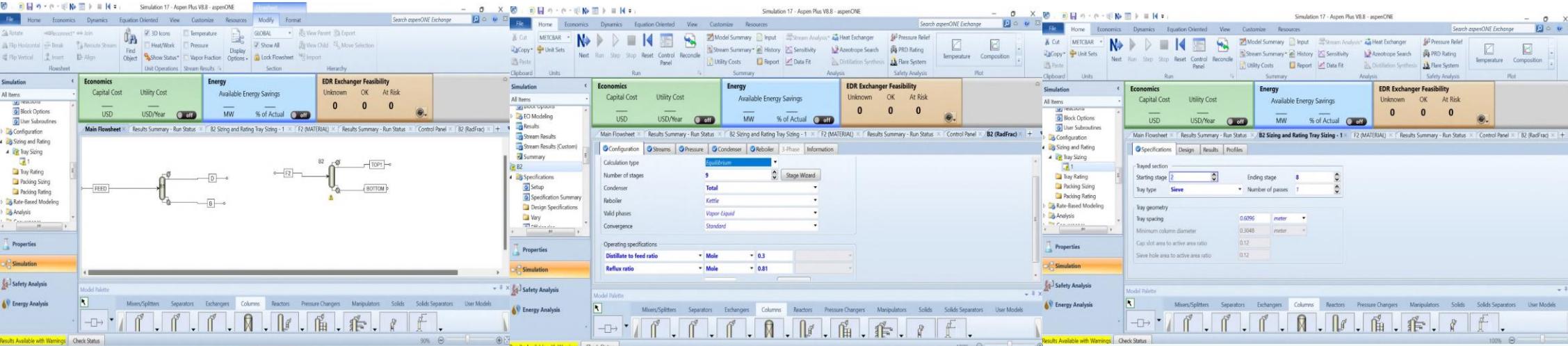


	Stream Results	B	D	FEED
From	Units	B1	B1	
To			B1	
Substream: MIXED Phase:				
Component Mole Flow		Liquid	Liquid	Liquid
METHANOL				
WATER				
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	1.193495	61.62204	62.81553
Mass Flow	KMOL/HR	177.1001	14.77433	191.8744
Volume Flow	KMOL/HR	178.2936	76.39637	254.69
Temperature	KG/HR	3228.75	2240.667	5469.417
Pressure	L/MIN	59.67098	50.33995	
Vapor Fraction	C	112.1394	79.89553	109.1675
Liquid Fraction	BAR	1.600935	1.600935	87.46883
Solid Fraction		0	0	1.308625
Molar Enthalpy		1	1	0
Mass Enthalpy		0	0	1
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/MOL	-66574.01	-57829.19	0
Molar Entropy	CAL/GM	-3676.258	-1971.708	
Mass Entropy	CAL/SEC	-3297100	-1227200	-64277.2
Molar Density	CAL/MOL-K	-34.31071	-49.15843	-2993.145
Mass Density	CAL/GM-K	-1.894659	-1.676075	-4547400
Average Molecular Weight	MOL/CC	0.049799	0.0252934	-39.06868 -1.81928
	GM/CC	0.9018203	0.7418452	0.0388836
		18.10918	29.32949	0.8350192
				21.4748

DSTWU Stream results

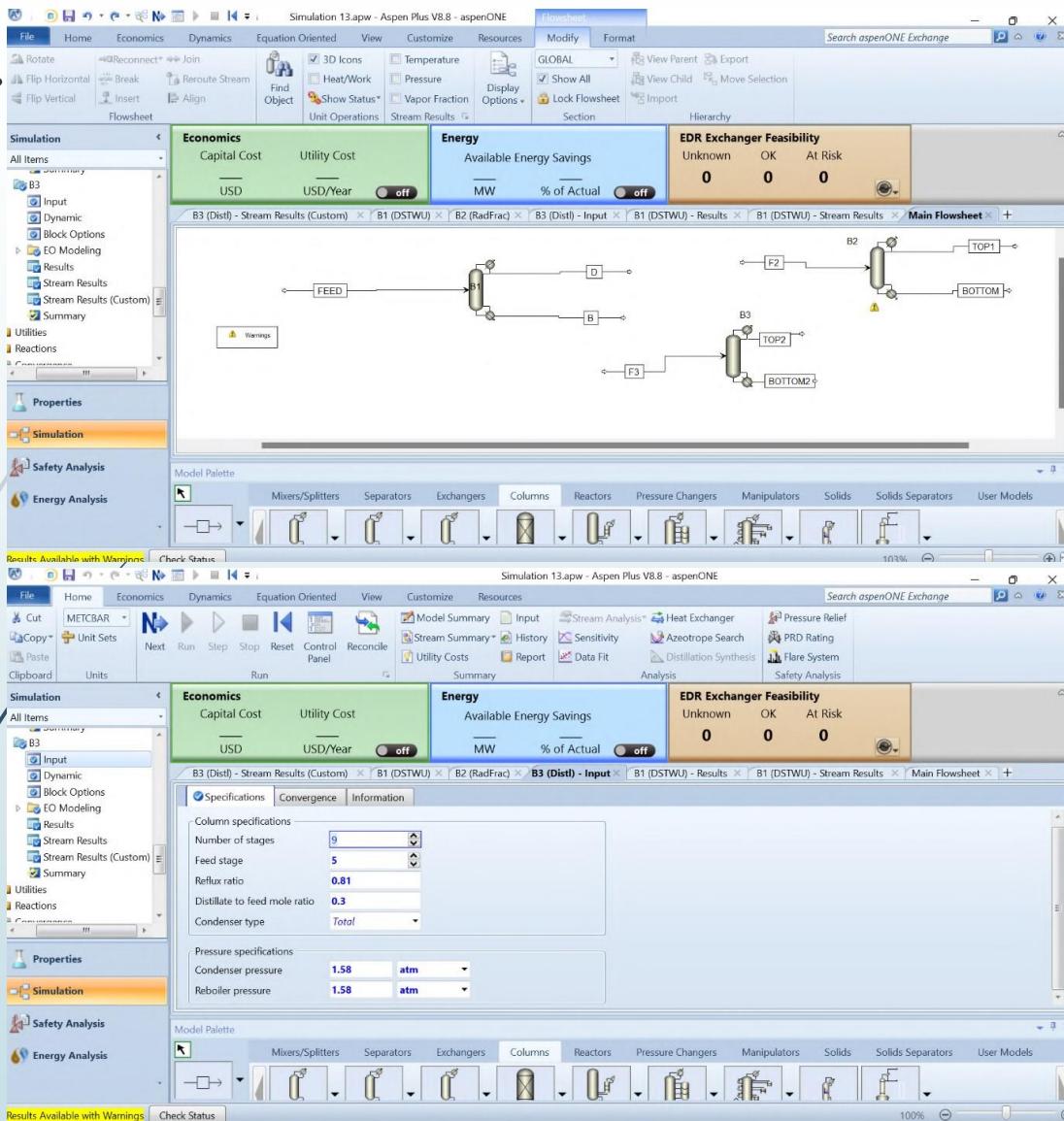
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		Stream results				
From		DBOTTOM		FEED2		
To		B12			B12	
Substream: MIXED Phase:		Liquid		Liquid		Page 1/2
Component Mole Flow				Liquid		22
METHANOL		2.5761.62204141		62.8155		
WATER	KMOL/HR	14.7743374.6712		34		
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	177.2476.396373 32240.66729 1		72302	62.150881.193495	
Mass Flow	KMOL/HR	50.339959 84.53		191.874	177.10013.8 55	178.293675.96143
Volume Flow	KG/HR	79.89553110.8161		488		
Temperature	L/MIN	1.600935		4817	23228.7540 249	
Pressure	C	0		254.693	59.670 396098	79.69143112.1394
Vapor Fraction	BAR	1		2048		
Liquid Fraction		0		5469.41	1.600935	
Solid Fraction		-665057829.1972		7	0	
Molar Enthalpy		-36501971.7086 2		109.167		
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-31227200746		54.1		
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/GM			87.4688	0	
Molar Entropy	CAL/SEC	-3449.158434 94 -1.676075891391		312739		-5770066574.0117
Mass Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	0.025293449358		1.30862	-1953676.258473	
Molar Density	CAL/GM-K	0.74184528992 6		5		
Mass Density	MOL/CC	1829.3294921884		0	-132971001 5	
Average Molecular Weight	GM/CC			0		-4934.310714034
				1	-1.8946596751	
				0		0.04979925121
				-	0.9018203740 687	
				64277.2		
				1.857	2918.109184919	
				-	2993.1457	
				1	2	
				-	45474001	
				40		
				-	39.0686	
				822.22		
				-	1.81928	
				6057		
				-	0.00000	

# Distl – Input same as DSTWU



<b>Stream Results</b>			
<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Substream: MIXED</b>	
<b>Units</b>	<b>BOTTOM2</b>	<b>F3</b>	<b>TOP2</b>
	<b>B3</b>	<b>B3</b>	<b>B3</b>
<b>Phase:</b>	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid
<b>Component Mole Flow</b>			
<b>METHANOL</b>	KMOL/HR	1.416167	62.81553
<b>WATER</b>	KMOL/HR	176.867	191.8744
<b>Mole Flow</b>	KMOL/HR	178.283	254.69
<b>Mass Flow</b>	KG/HR	3231.682	5469.417
<b>Volume Flow</b>	L/MIN	59.75223	109.1675
<b>Temperature</b>	C	111.92	87.46883
<b>Pressure</b>	BAR	1.600935	1.308625
<b>Vapor Fraction</b>		0	0
<b>Liquid Fraction</b>		1	1
<b>Solid Fraction</b>		0	0
<b>Molar Enthalpy</b>	CAL/MOL	-66563.97	-64277.2
<b>Mass Enthalpy</b>	CAL/GM	-3672.151	-2993.145
<b>Enthalpy Flow</b>	CAL/SEC	-3296500	-4547400
<b>Molar Entropy</b>	CAL/MOL-K	-34.33393	-39.06868
<b>Mass Entropy</b>	CAL/GM-K	-1.894108	-1.81928
<b>Molar Density</b>	MOL/CC	0.0497284	0.0388836
<b>Mass Density</b>	GM/CC	0.9014118	0.8350192
<b>Average Molecular Weight</b>		18.1267	21.4748
			29.28708

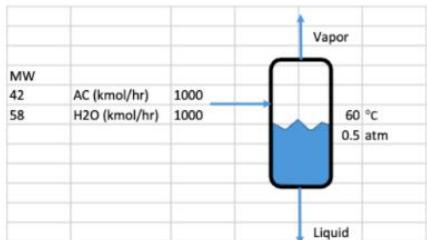
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## Problem statement

### (1) Design and sizing of a fresh drum (Person 1)

A stream with 1000kmol/hr of acetone (AC) and 1000kmol/hr of water (H<sub>2</sub>O) is fed into a flash drum.  
Vapor and liquid are separated at the drum.



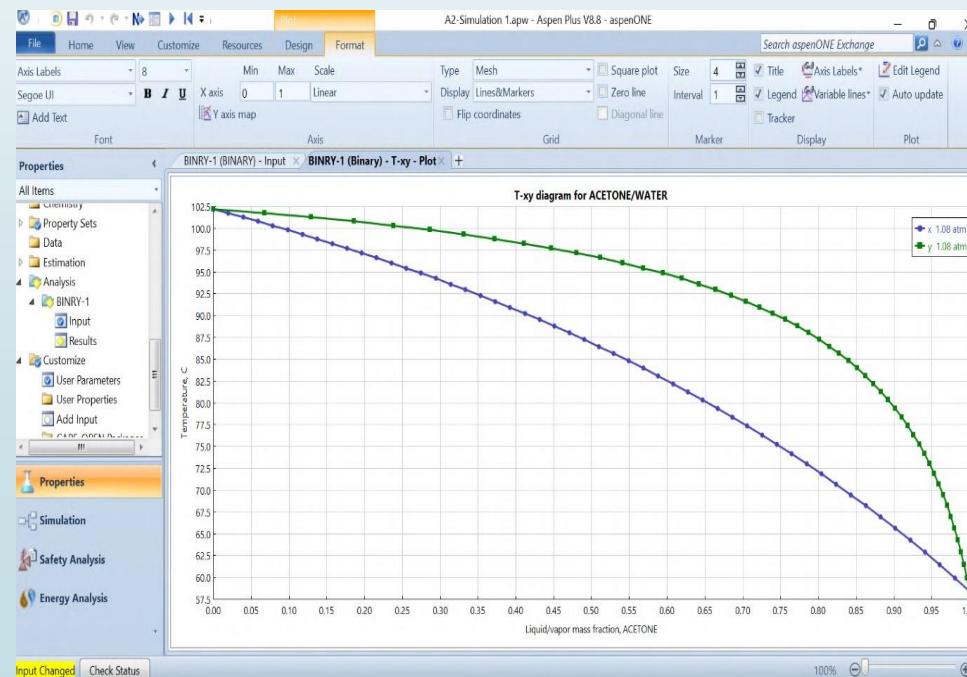
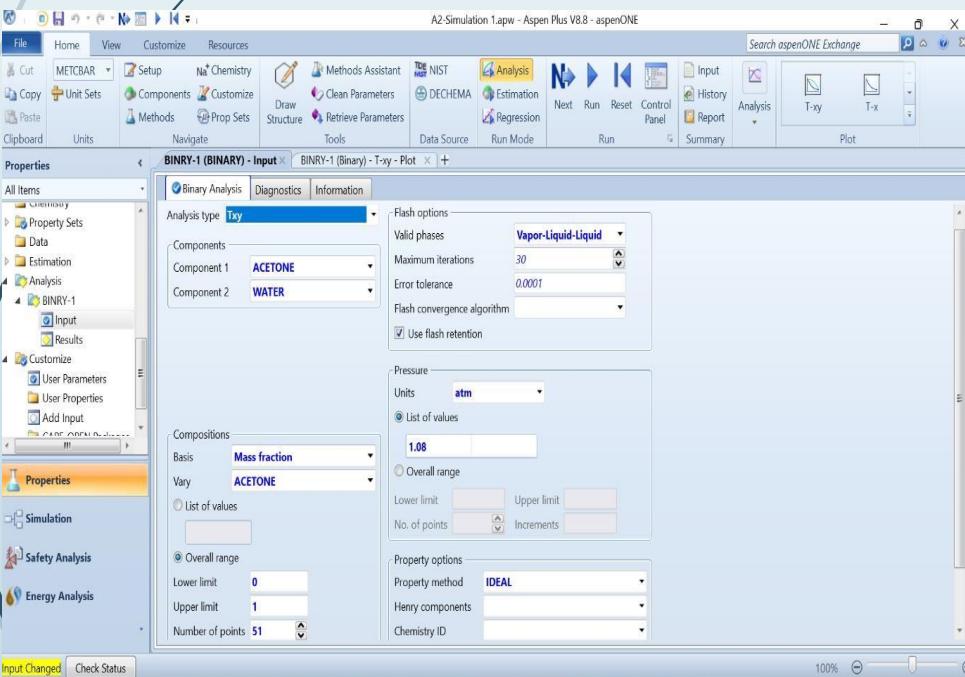
Assume ideal behaviour of the streams:

Q1: At 0.5 atm, to perform vapour-liquid separation, what are the maximum and minimum operating temperatures of the drum?

Q2: At 60°C and 0.5 atm, what are the vapour and liquid compositions and flow rates?

Hint Q1: Use Binary Analysis to find temperature range of 2 phase envelope

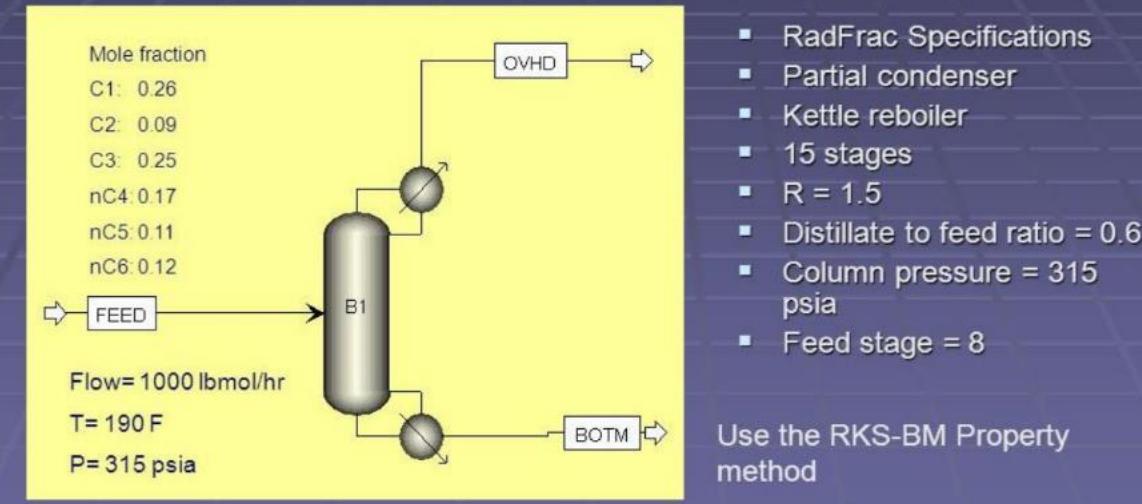
Solution- a) Maximum temperature=57.5 degree celcius, Minimum temperature=102.5 degree celcius



b)

From	Units	BOTM	FEED	OVHD
To		B1	B1	B1
<b>Substream: MIXED</b>				
<b>Phase:</b>		Liquid	Mixed	Vapor
<b>Component Mole Flow</b>				
METHANE	KMOL/HR	7.67152E-05	124.7742	124.7741
ETHANE	KMOL/HR	0.0182493	43.19107	43.17282
PROPANE	KMOL/HR	4.65206	119.9752	115.3231
N-BUT-01	KMOL/HR	76.92444	81.58312	4.658679
N-PEN-01	KMOL/HR	52.77738	52.78908	0.0117031
N-HEX-01	KMOL/HR	57.58808	57.58809	4.25757E-06
<b>Mole Flow</b>	KMOL/HR	191.9603	479.9007	287.9404
<b>Mass Flow</b>	KG/HR	13447.48	22104.36	8656.884
<b>Volume Flow</b>	L/MIN	599.9331	6983.302	4507.856
<b>Temperature</b>	C	151.5982	88.1	23.35717
<b>Pressure</b>	BAR	21.75848	21.75848	21.75848
<b>Vapor Fraction</b>		0	0.7043279	1
<b>Liquid Fraction</b>		1	0.2956721	0
<b>Solid Fraction</b>		0	0	0
<b>Molar Enthalpy</b>	CAL/MOL	-34508.2	-26849.41	-21561.8
<b>Mass Enthalpy</b>	CAL/GM	-492.5982	-582.9188	-717.1767
<b>Enthalpy Flow</b>	CAL/SEC	-1840100	-3579200	-1724600
<b>Molar Entropy</b>	CAL/MOL-K	-108.916	-70.84468	-46.54626
<b>Mass Entropy</b>	CAL/GM-K	-1.554756	-1.538086	-1.548196
<b>Molar Density</b>	MOL/CC	0.00533283	0.00114535	0.00106459
<b>Mass Density</b>	GM/CC	0.3735827	0.0527552	0.0320066
<b>Average Molecular Weight</b>		70.05345	46.06028	30.06484

# RadFrac demonstration



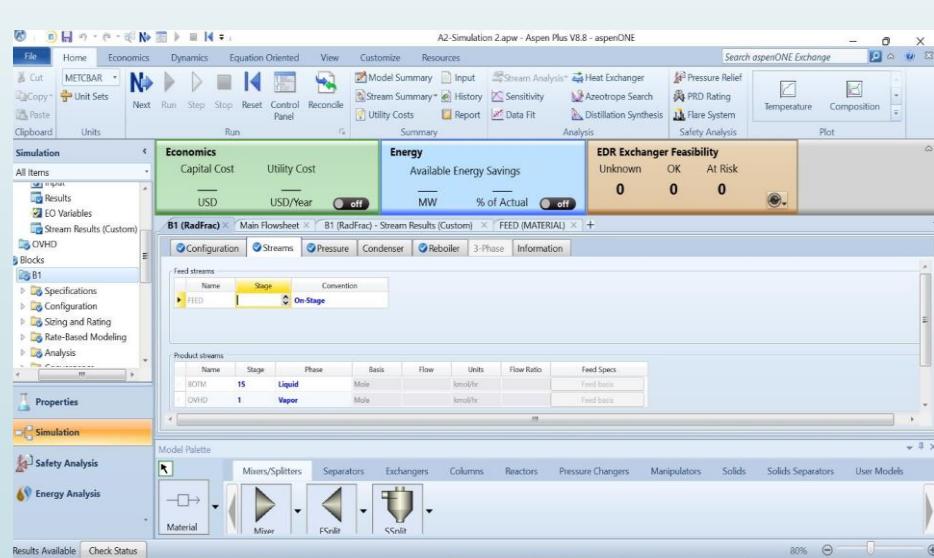
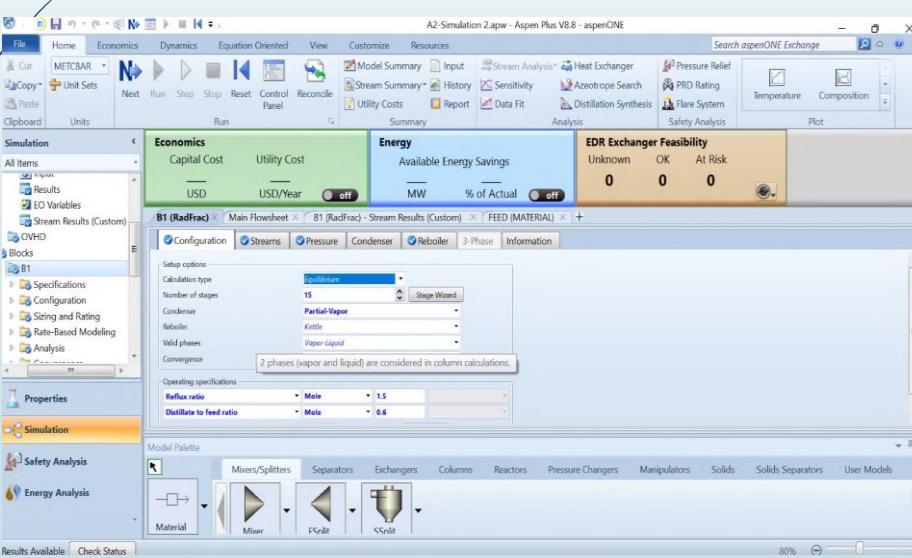
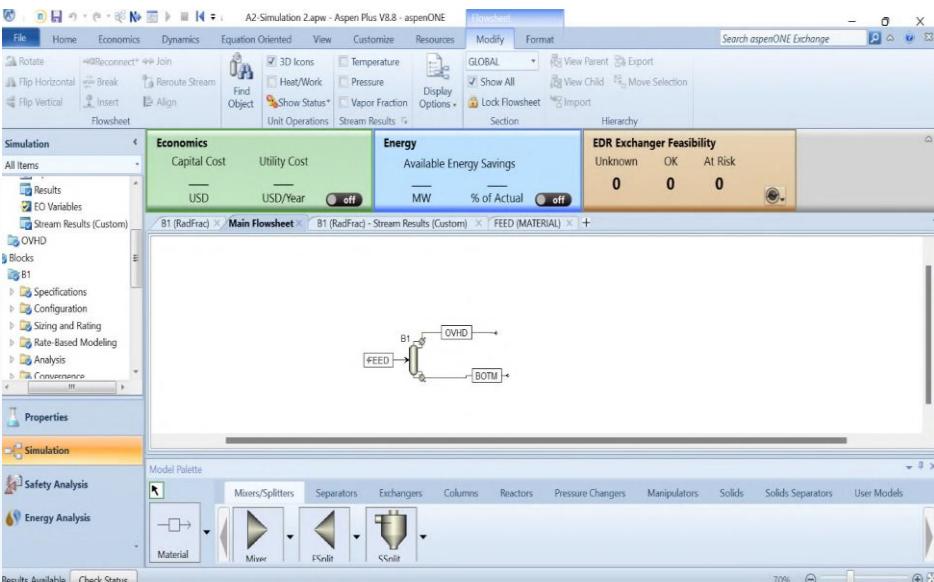
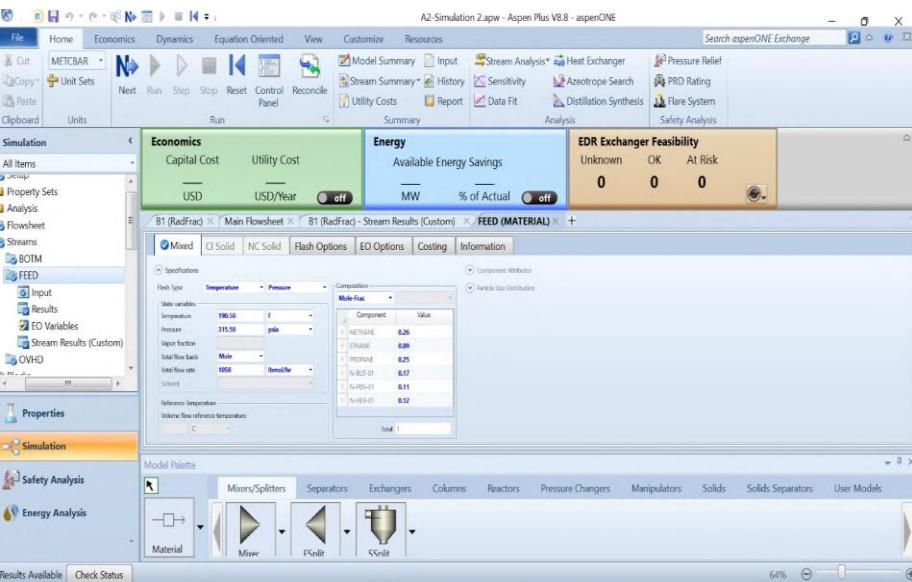
Use the RKS-BM Property method

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Here C1, C2.....nC6 represents hydrocarbons. Partial condenser means that distillate is coming out as vapor only.

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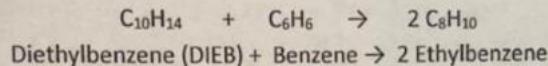
## Stream results

		Stream Results		
	Units	BOTM	FEED	OVHD
From		B1		B1
To			B1	
Substream: MIXED				
Phase:		Liquid	Mixed	Vapor
Component Mole Flow				
METHANE	KMOL/HR	7.67009E-05	124.7742	124.7741
ETHANE	KMOL/HR	0.0182474	43.19107	43.17282
PROPANE	KMOL/HR	4.651484	119.9752	115.3237
N-BUT-01	KMOL/HR	76.92502	81.58312	4.658109
N-PEN-01	KMOL/HR	52.77738	52.78908	0.0116956
N-HEX-01	KMOL/HR	57.58808	57.58809	4.25115E-06
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	191.9603	479.9007	287.9404
Mass Flow	KG/HR	13447.49	22104.36	8656.875
Volume Flow	L/MIN	599.9341	6983.302	4507.852
Temperature	C	151.5985	88.1	23.35694
Pressure	BAR	21.75848	21.75848	21.75848
Vapor Fraction		0	0.7043279	1
Liquid Fraction		1	0.2956721	0
Solid Fraction		0	0	0
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-34508.2	-26849.41	-21561.79
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-492.5979	-582.9188	-717.1771
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-1840100	-3579200	-1724600
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-108.9161	-70.84468	-46.54624
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-1.554756	-1.538086	-1.548196
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.00533282	0.00114535	0.00106459
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.3735823	0.0527552	0.0320066
Average Molecular Weight		70.05349	46.06028	30.06481

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## Question 3

- (25 pts) **Aspen PLUS problem--REquil Reactor:** Consider the reaction to produce two ethylbenzene molecules from one molecule each of diethylbenzene and benzene. The reaction equation is as follows:



The objective for this problem is to simulate this reaction using an REquil reactor in Aspen PLUS. The feed to the system is at 50 °C and 5 bar, and consists of a total flow of 630 kg moles/hr of an equimolar mix of the two reactants.

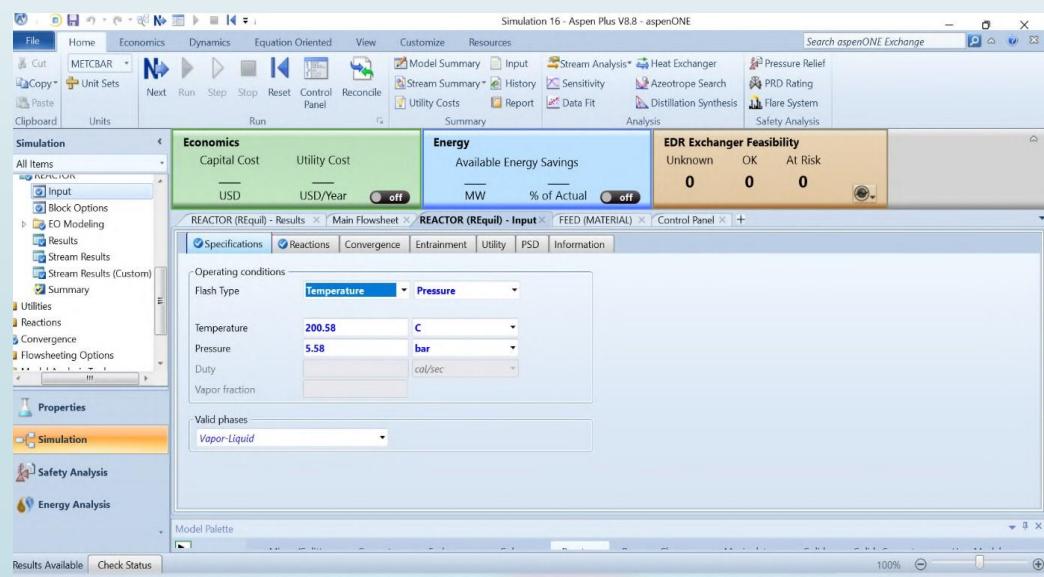
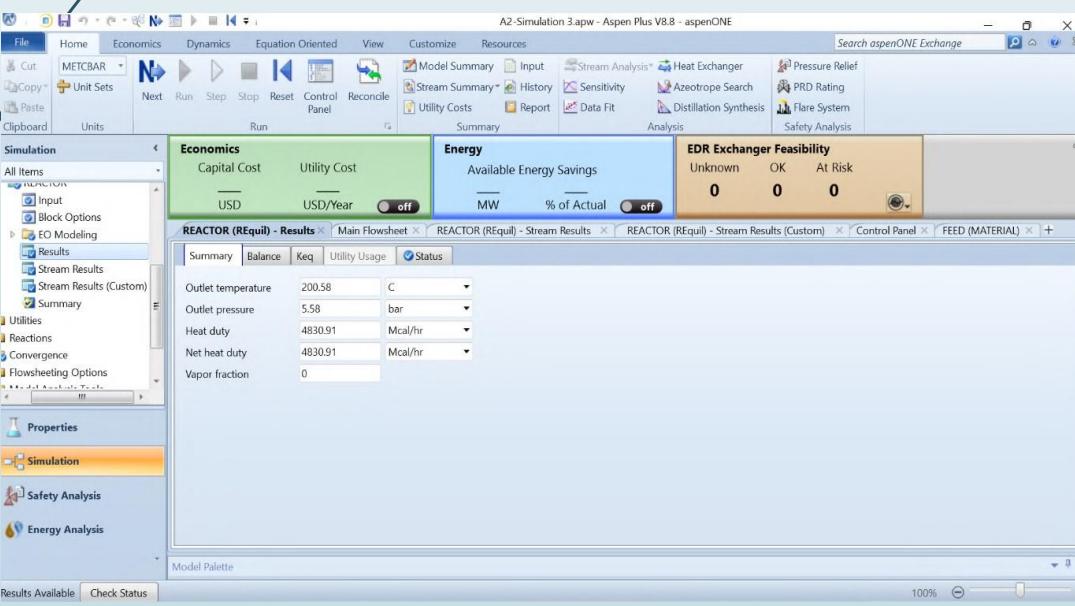
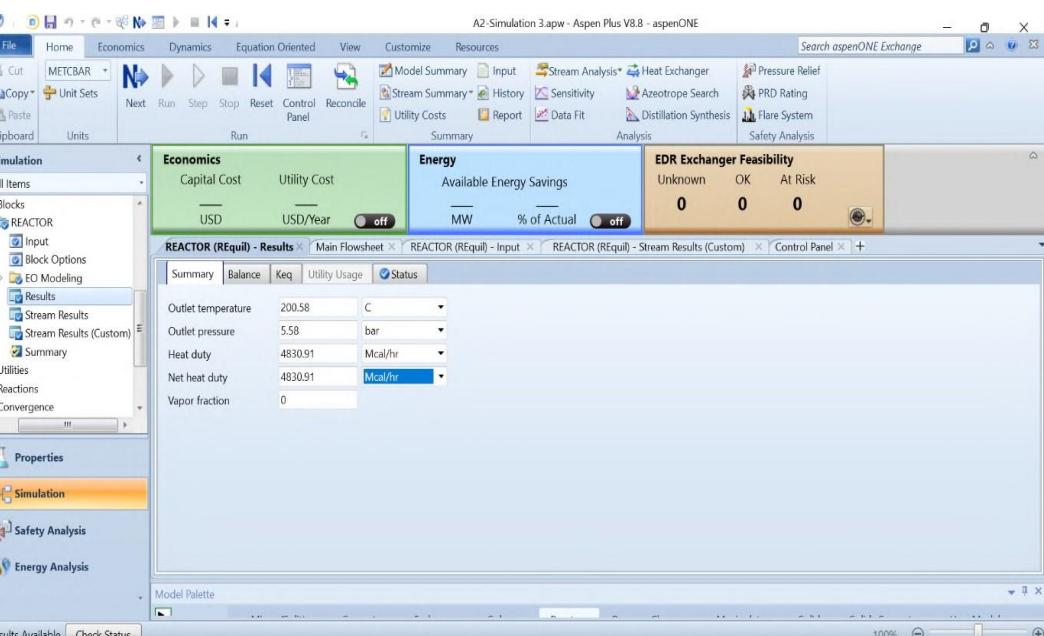
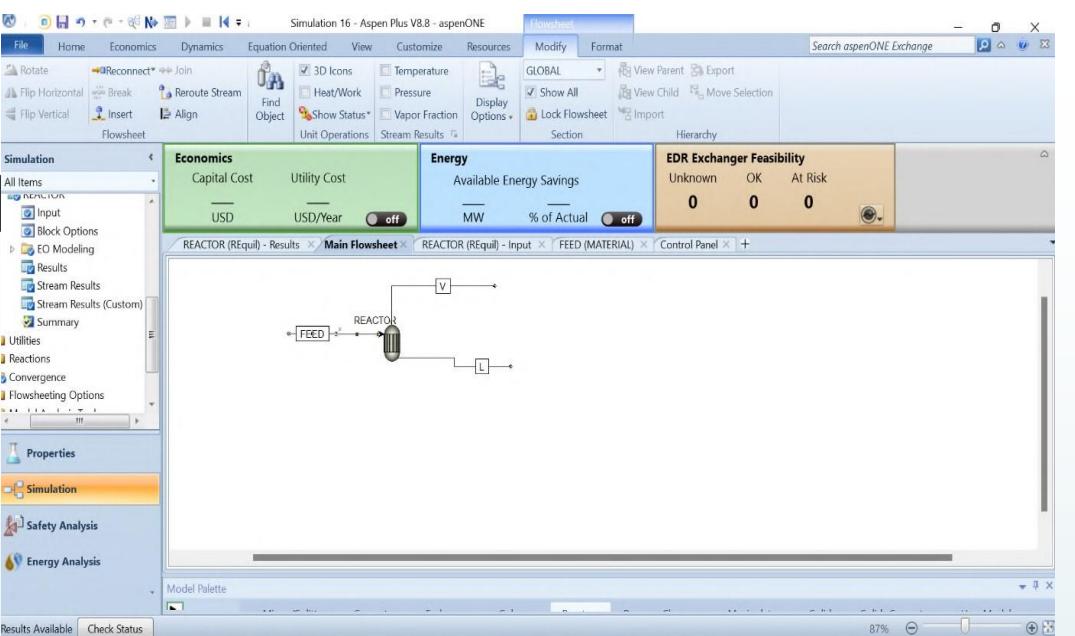
- Use method as Peng-Rob
- Operating temperature and pressure of reactor are 200 °C and 5 bar
- Take approach temperature as 400 °C

Also find conversion of benzene, vapor fraction and net heat duty in Mcal/hr.

## Solution

The screenshot shows the Aspen Plus V8.8 software interface with two main windows open:

- Left Window (Main Simulation View):**
  - Toolbar:** File, Home, Economics, Dynamics, Equation Oriented, View, Customize, Resources.
  - Menu Bar:** Cut, Copy, Paste, Units, METCBAR, Next, Run, Step, Stop, Reset, Control Panel, Reconcile.
  - Central Area:** Shows a 'Mixed' feed stream with properties: Temperature 50.58 °C, Pressure 5.58 bar, Total flow rate 688 kmol/hr. Stream composition table: O-DIE-01 (0.5), BENZENE (0.5), ETHYL-01 (0).
  - Right Panels:** Economics, Energy, REACTOR (REquil - Results), REACTOR (REquil - Input), FEED (MATERIAL), Control Panel.
- Right Window (Stoichiometry Editor):**
  - Toolbar:** File, Home, Economics, Dynamics, Equation Oriented, View, Customize, Resources.
  - Central Area:** 'Edit Stoichiometry' dialog box. Reaction No.: 01. Reactants: O-DIE-01 (-1), BENZENE (-1). Products: ETHYL-01 (2).
  - Bottom Panels:** REACTOR (REquil - Results), REACTOR (REquil - Input), FEED (MATERIAL), Control Panel.



Net heat duty=4830.91 Mcal/hr

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Vapour fraction=0

	Units	FEED	L	V
From			REACTOR	REACTOR
To		REACTOR		
Substream: MIXED				
Phase:		Liquid	Liquid	Missing
Component Mole Flow				
O-DIE-01	KMOL/HR	344	112.3756	0
BENZENE	KMOL/HR	344	112.3756	0
ETHYL-01	KMOL/HR	0	463.2489	0
Mole Flow	KMOL/HR	688	688	0
Mass Flow	KG/HR	73043.17	73043.17	0
Volume Flow	L/MIN	1454.104	1766.143	0
Temperature	C	50.58	200.58	
Pressure	BAR	5.58	5.58	5.58
Vapor Fraction		0	0	
Liquid Fraction		1	1	
Solid Fraction		0	0	
Molar Enthalpy	CAL/MOL	-372.096	6649.575	
Mass Enthalpy	CAL/GM	-3.504805	62.63293	
Enthalpy Flow	CAL/SEC	-71111.68	1270810	
Molar Entropy	CAL/MOL-K	-101.6332	-80.73425	
Mass Entropy	CAL/GM-K	-0.9572916	-0.760443	
Molar Density	MOL/CC	0.00788573	0.00649249	
Mass Density	GM/CC	0.8372073	0.6892907	
Average Molecular Weight		106.1674	106.1674	



Thank You