

15.1 Given, a zero order reaction

For plug flow:  $\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = 1 - X_A = 0.2 = 1 - \frac{k\tau}{C_{A0}} \dots \text{or } \frac{k\tau}{C_{A0}} = 0.8$

For convective flow Eq 9 gives

$$\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = \left(1 - \frac{k\tau}{2C_{A0}}\right)^2 = \left(1 - \frac{0.8}{2}\right)^2 = 0.36 \therefore X_A = 0.64$$

15.3 For second order and plug flow

$$\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = \frac{1}{1 + kC_{A0}\tau} \quad \text{or } kC_{A0}\tau = \frac{C_{A0}}{C_A} - 1$$

and because  $\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = 0.04 \quad kC_{A0}\tau = 25 - 1 = 24$

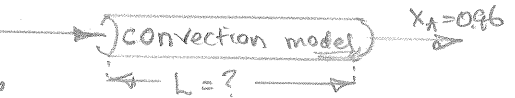
For the convection model let  $y = kC_{A0}\tau$

then Eq 11 gives

$$X_A = 1 - \frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = y \left[ 1 - \frac{y}{2} \ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{y}\right) \right] = 0.96$$

$$\therefore \frac{(kC_{A0}\tau)_{\text{conv}}}{(kC_{A0}\tau)_{\text{plug}}} = \frac{32}{24} = 1.33$$

$$\therefore \frac{L_{\text{conv}}}{L_{\text{plug}}} = 1.33 \quad \text{or } L_{\text{conv}} = 16 \text{ m}$$



guess y	calculate X <sub>A</sub>
24	0.9477
36	0.9644
30	0.9577
32	0.9602

solve by  
trial & error

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$$\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\eta = 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

$$k = 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{mol}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$C_{A0} = 50 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$-u = 10 \text{ mm/s}$$

$$L = 20 \text{ m}$$

$$d_t = 10 \text{ mm}$$

$$X_A = ?$$

First find which regime applies (see Fig 2)

$$Re = \frac{d_{up} \mu}{\eta} = \frac{0.01(0.01)1000}{10^{-3}} = 100$$

$$Bo = \frac{u d_t}{\eta} = \frac{0.01(0.01)}{10^{-9}} = 10^5$$

$$\frac{L}{d_t} = \frac{20}{0.01} = 2000$$

Fig 2 shows that the reactor is in the intermediate regime between the convection and dispersion models.

So average the results.

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(continued)

Dispersion model

$$D = \frac{u^2 d_t^2}{192 \theta} = \frac{(0.01)^2 (0.01)^2}{192 (10^{-9})} = 5.21 \times 10^{-2} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}}$$

$$\frac{D}{uL} = \frac{5.21 \times 10^{-2}}{(0.01)(20)} = 0.26$$

$$k C_{A0} \tau = (10^{-3})(50)(20/0.01) = 100$$

From Fig 13.20

$$\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = 0.022 \quad \dots \quad x_A = 0.978$$

Convection model

$$\frac{C_A}{C_{A0}} = 1 - k C_{A0} \tau \left[ 1 - \frac{k C_{A0} \tau}{2} \ln \left( 1 + \frac{2}{k C_{A0} \tau} \right) \right] = 1 - 100 \left[ 1 - \frac{100}{2} \ln \left( 1 + \frac{2}{100} \right) \right]$$

$$= 0.013$$

$$\therefore x_A = 0.987$$

Averaging gives  $\bar{x}_A = \frac{0.978 + 0.987}{2} = 0.983$   $\leftarrow$

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