

280.371 Process Engineering Operations

Membrane Separation Processes Model Answers to Tutorial Problems

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MEMBRANE SEPARATION PROCESSES

Model Answers

Problem 1.

Feed side pressure drop = $P_f - P_r = 0.5$ bar

Transmembrane pressure = 1.65 bar

Problem 2

$$J = \frac{P}{A \times t}$$

Permeate flow rate needed = $0.05 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \left(\frac{1440}{8 \times 3600} \right)$

Area = 83.333 m^2

Problem 3

$$J = \frac{\Delta P}{\mu(R_m + R_c)}$$

When $R_c=0$

$R_m = 4.46 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}^{-1}$

For the yeast slurry
 $J = 8.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Then

$R_c = 3.57 \times 10^{13} \text{ m}^{-1}$

Thickness of cake = $\frac{R_c}{\text{specific cake resistance}} = 23.8 \mu\text{m}$

Problem 4.

$$\text{SRC} = 1 - \frac{C_p}{C_f} = 0.999$$

Problem 5.

3 wt % soln

$$\frac{3g}{100ml} = \frac{30g}{l} = \frac{30,000g}{m^3}$$

(a) NaCl MW = 58.5 g/mol

$$n = \frac{30,000}{58.5} = 512.8 \text{ molm}^{-3} \quad \beta = 2$$

$$\pi = \beta nRT = 2 \times 512.8 \times 8.314 \times (273 + 30)$$

$$\pi = 2.58 \text{ MPa}$$

check units

(b) glucose MW = 180 g/mol

$$n = \frac{30,000}{180} = 166.7 \text{ molm}^{-3} \quad \beta = 1$$

$$\pi = 1 \times 166.7 \times 8.314 \times 303 = 0.42 \text{ MPa}$$

(c) albumin protein MW = 65,000 g/mol

$$n = 0.46 \text{ molm}^{-3} \quad \beta = 1$$

$$\pi = 1 \times 0.46 \times 8.314 \times 303 = 1158 \text{ Pa}$$

Estimate $\Delta\pi$ across the membrane

$$\text{Assume } c_p = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta\pi = \pi_{\text{feed}}$$

$$5000 \text{ ppm} = 5000 \text{ gm}^{-3}$$

$$n = \frac{5000}{58.5} = 85.5 \text{ molm}^{-3}$$

$$\pi = \beta nRT = 2 \times 85.5 \times 8.314 \times (273 + 35) = 4.38 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

Estimate flux

$$A = 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ bar}^{-1} = 5 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$$

$$J = A(\Delta P - \Delta\pi) = 5 \times 10^{-11} (2.5 \times 10^6 - 4.38 \times 10^5)$$

$$J = 1.03 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$SRC = \frac{J}{J+B} = \frac{1.03 \times 10^{-4}}{1.03 \times 10^{-4} + 5 \times 10^{-7}} = 0.995$$

Problem 6.

$$J = 25 \text{ LMH} = 25 \frac{l}{m^2 h} \times \frac{m^3}{1000l} \times \frac{1h}{3600s}$$

$$= 6.94 \times 10^{-6} m^3 m^{-2} s^{-1}$$

$$\Delta P = 20 \text{ bar} = 20 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\pi_{feed} = \beta nRT \quad \beta = 3$$

$$n = 2 \times 10^3 \frac{g}{m^3} \times \frac{1}{136.4 g mol^{-1}}$$

$$= 14.66 \text{ mol } m^{-3}$$

$$\pi_{feed} = 3 \times 14.66 \times 8.314 \times 298 = 1.09 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

$$SRC = 0.95$$

$$SRC = 1 - \frac{c_p}{c_b} \quad \Rightarrow \quad c_p = c_b(1 - SRC)$$

$$c_p = 2 \text{ kg } m^{-3} \times (1 - 0.95) = 0.1 \text{ kg } m^{-3}$$

$$\pi_{permeate} = 5.46 \times 10^3 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\therefore \Delta \pi = 109 - 5.46 = 103.54 \text{ kPa} = 1.035 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

$$J = A(\Delta P - \Delta \pi)$$

$$A = \frac{J}{(\Delta P - \Delta \pi)} = \frac{6.94 \times 10^{-6}}{(20 \times 10^5 - 1.035 \times 10^5)}$$

$$= 3.66 \times 10^{-12} \text{ ms}^{-1} \text{ Pa}^{-1} = 3.66 \times 10^{-7} \text{ ms}^{-1} \text{ bar}^{-1}$$

$$SRC = \frac{J}{J + B}$$

$$B = \frac{J}{SRC} - J$$

$$= \frac{6.94 \times 10^{-6}}{0.95} - 6.94 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$= 3.65 \times 10^{-7} \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Problem 7.

$$SRC = 1 - \frac{c_p}{c_b}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1,000}{10,000} = 0.9$$

$$\Delta c = 10,000 - 1,000 \text{ mg l}^{-1} \times \frac{\text{g}}{1000 \text{ mg}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ l}}{\text{m}^3} = 9000 \text{ gm}^{-3}$$

$$\Delta n = 9000 \text{ gm}^{-3} \times \frac{\text{mol}}{58.5 \text{ g}} = 153.8 \text{ mol m}^{-3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \pi &= 2 \times 153.8 \times 8.314 \times 303 \\ \therefore &= 7.75 \text{ bar} \end{aligned}$$

$$SRC = \frac{J}{J + B}$$

$$SRC \cdot J + SRC \cdot B = J$$

$$SRC \cdot B = J \cdot (1 - SRC)$$

$$J = \frac{SRC \cdot B}{(1 - SRC)}$$

$$J = \frac{0.9 \times (7 \times 10^{-7})}{(1 - 0.9)}$$

$$J = 6.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta P = \frac{6.3 \times 10^{-6}}{9 \times 10^{-7}} + 7.75 = 14.75 \text{ bar}$$

Problem 8.

NaCl = 1.5%, MW = 58.5 g/mol

CaCl₂ = 2.5%, MW = 111 g/mol

NaCl

$$1.5\% \text{ w/v} = 1.5 \times 10^4 \text{ g/m}^3$$

$$\div 58.5 = 256 \text{ mol/m}^3$$

$$\pi_{\text{feed}} = 2 \times 256 \times 8.314 \times 313 = 13.3 \text{ bar} = 13.3 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\text{SRC} = 0.99$$

$$\text{SRC} = 1 - \frac{c_p}{c_b} \Rightarrow c_p = 0.015\%$$

$$\pi_p = 2 \times 2.56 \times 8.316 \times 313 = 0.133 \text{ bar} = 13.3 \times 10^3 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\Delta\pi = 13.17 \text{ bar}$$

$$J = A(\Delta P - \Delta\pi) \Rightarrow A = \frac{J}{(\Delta P - \Delta\pi)} = \frac{40}{(60 - 13.17)} = 0.854 \text{ l m}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1} \text{ bar}^{-1}$$

$$= 2.37 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$$

CaCl₂

$$2.5\% \text{ w/v} = 225 \text{ mol/m}^3$$

$$c_p = (1 - 0.98)2.5 = 0.05\%$$

$$\pi_{\text{feed}} = 3 \times 225 \times 8.314 \times 313 = 17.56 \text{ bar}$$

$$\pi_p = 3 \times 4.5 \times 8.314 \times 313 = 0.35 \text{ bar}$$

$$\Delta\pi = 17.56 - 0.35 = 17.21 \text{ bar}$$

$$J = A(\Delta P - \Delta\pi) \Rightarrow \Delta P = \frac{J}{A} + \Delta\pi = \frac{35}{0.854} + 17.21 = 58.19 \text{ bar}$$

$$= 5.819 \text{ MPa}$$

Problem 9.

$$\text{NaCl } 2\%w/v = 20 \times 10^3 \text{ gm}^{-3}, \text{ MW} = 58.5$$

$$\text{For NaCl feed, } n = 20 \times 10^3 \div 58.5 = 342 \text{ molm}^{-3}$$

$$\pi_{\text{feed}} = \beta nRT = 2 \cdot 342 \cdot 8.314 \cdot 298$$

$$\pi_{\text{feed}} = 16.9 \text{ bar}$$

$$\text{SRC} = 0.98$$

$$c_p = (1 - \text{SRC})c_b = 400 \text{ gm}^{-3}$$

$$\therefore n = 6.8 \text{ molm}^{-3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{\text{permeate}} &= 2 \cdot 6.8 \cdot 8.314 \cdot 298 \\ &= 0.34 \text{ bar} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\pi &= 16.9 - 0.34 \\ &= 16.6 \text{ bar} \end{aligned}$$

$$J = 32 \text{ LMH} = 8.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$J = A(\Delta P - \Delta\pi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{8.9 \times 10^{-6}}{(20 - 16.6)} = 2.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ bar}^{-1} = 2.6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ Pa}^{-1} \\ &= 9.41 \text{ LMHbar}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{SRC} = \frac{J}{J + B}$$

$$\text{SRC} \cdot J + \text{SRC} \cdot B = J$$

$$\text{SRC} \cdot B = J(1 - \text{SRC})$$

$$B = \frac{J(1 - \text{SRC})}{\text{SRC}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \frac{8.9 \times 10^{-6} (1 - 0.98)}{0.98} = 1.8 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \\ &= 0.65 \text{ LMH} \end{aligned}$$

For a 3%w/v NaCl solution, and $\Delta P = 40 \text{ bar}$

$$\pi_{\text{feed}} = \frac{30 \times 10^3}{58.5} \times 2 \times 8.314 \times 298 = 25.4 \text{ bar}$$

As $\Delta P \uparrow$ then $\text{SRC} \uparrow$

Assume $\text{SRC} = 0.98$ (at least)

$$\pi_{\text{permeate}} = \frac{600}{58.5} \times 2 \times 8.314 \times 298 = 0.05 \text{ bar}$$

As $\pi_{\text{permeate}} \ll \pi_{\text{feed}}$ then $\Delta\pi \approx \pi_{\text{feed}} = 25.4 \text{ bar}$

We will also assume $\text{SRC} \approx 1$

$$J = A(\Delta P - \Delta\pi) = 2.6 \times 10^{-6} (40 - 25.4) = 3.76 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3 \text{m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \\ = 136 \text{ LMH}$$

$$\text{SRC} = \frac{J}{J+B} = \frac{3.76 \times 10^{-5}}{3.76 \times 10^{-5} + 1.8 \times 10^{-7}} = 0.995$$

close to $\text{SRC} = 1$, hence initial assumption OK

Ultrafiltration

10.

Design of UF Plants for Whey Concentration

The flux obtained during UF concentration of acid casein whey is described in Table 1 :

Table 1: Flux data for UF of whey (from Matthews 1980)	
VCF	Flux(LMH)
1.0	45.0
1.19	43.0
1.45	41.0
1.83	38.5
2.42	35.5
3.41	32.5
5.29	28.2
9.42	22.5
20.0	15.0

Calculate the area required to process 7,500 l/hr whey to VCF=20 for:

- A batch plant, i.e. to process 7,500 l in 1 hour (Note: in a preliminary batch experiment 100 l whey was concentrated to VCF=20 in 1.36 h with 2m² plant)
- A single-stage continuous plant
- A two-stage plant if the membrane areas in each stage are to be approximately equal

1. Batch Operation:

(1) Estimate the average flux

From the data, for whey concentration to VCF=20, i.e., the retentate has a concentration which is 20 times that of the initial solution. For 100 litres of the process fluid, we would have 5 litres of retentate, or 95 litres of permeate.

$$J_{avg} = \frac{\text{Permeate removed}}{\text{Area} \times \text{time}} = \frac{95 \text{ litres}}{1.36 \text{ h} \times 2 \text{ m}^2} = 34.9 \text{ LMH}$$

(2) Calculate the required area:

For VCF=20, the final retentate volume= $7500/20 = 375$ litres

The permeate volume removed= $7500 - 375 = 7125$ litres

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The required area} &= (\text{permeate removed}) / (\text{time}) (J_{\text{avg}}) \\ &= 7125 / (1) (35) \\ &= 203.6 \text{ m}^2\end{aligned}$$

2. Single-stage Continuous System

(1) Determine flux that plant will operate at:

For VCF=20, the required flux, $J = 15$ LMH (from Table 1)

(2) Calculate the required area:

For processing 7,500 litres per hour, the required permeate removal = 7125 l/h

$$\therefore \text{The area required} = \frac{7125 \text{ l/h}}{15 \text{ LMH}} = 475 \text{ m}^2$$

3. Two-stage Continuous System

As required here, in multi-stage systems the VCF for each stage is usually chosen so as to give an equal area for each stage. This is convenient and also gives a total area very close to the minimum area. The VCF for all but the last stage must be selected on a trial and error basis.

Before starting the flux data must be plotted (preferably on semi-log paper).

- (1) Select VCF values and determine the corresponding flux values for each stage. VCF of the final stage must be 20, i.e. $\text{VCF}_2 = 20$ and $J_2 = 15 \text{ LMH}$

Select $VCF_1 = 2.42$, then $J_1 = 35.5 \text{ LMH}$

(2) Calculate the flowrates at each stage and the area required:

Table 2: Flowrates and module areas for two-stage system, Trial 1

Stage	VCF	Feed flow l/hr	Retentate flow, l/hr	Permeate flow, l/hr	Flux $\text{U m}^2\text{hr}$	Area m^2
1	2.42	7500	3099	4401	35.5	124
2	20	3099	375	2724	15	182

(3) Adjust the estimates and recalculate:

with the semi-log plot, take $VCF_1 = 3.0$, $J_1 = 33.8 \text{ LMH}$

$VCF_2 = 20$, $J_2 = 15 \text{ LMH}$

Table 3: Flowrates and module areas for two-stage system, Trial 2

Stage	VCF	Feed flow l/hr	Retentate flow, l/hr	Permeate flow, l/hr	Flux $\text{l/m}^2\text{h r}$	Area m^2
1	3.0	7500	2500	5000	33.8	148
2	20	2500	375	2125	15	142

Aim to have membrane areas for both stages $\pm 5 \text{ m}^2$

Total membrane area is $148 + 142 = 290 \text{ m}^2$

Problem 11.

$$F = 7.5 \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$$

$$VCF = \frac{F}{R} = 20$$

$$\therefore R = \frac{F}{VCF} = \frac{7.5}{20} = 0.375 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$$

$$F = P + R$$

$$\therefore P = F - R = 7.5 - \left(\frac{7.5}{20}\right) = 7.125 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$$

From the batch run data

$$R_{\text{batch}} = F_{\text{batch}} - R_{\text{batch}} = 0.1 - \frac{0.1}{VCF} = 0.095 \text{ m}^3$$

$$J_{\text{av batch}} = \frac{R_{\text{batch}}}{A_{\text{batch}} \times t_{\text{batch}}} = \frac{0.095}{2 \times 1.36} = 0.035 \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$J_{\text{av continuous}} = J_{\text{av batch}} = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{7.125}{A} = 0.035 \text{ m}^3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{7.125}{0.035} = \underline{\underline{203.6 \text{ m}^2}}$$

Problem 12.

Using data from Worked Example

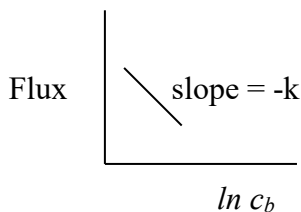
$$VCF = \frac{V_{\text{feed}}}{V_{\text{retentate}}} \quad \text{also} \quad V_{\text{feed}} \cdot c_{\text{feed}} = V_{\text{retentate}} \cdot c_{\text{retentate}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad VCF = \frac{V_{\text{feed}}}{V_{\text{retentate}}} = \frac{c_{\text{retentate}}}{c_{\text{feed}}}$$

If SRC = 1 then $c_p = 0$ all solutes are retained in retentate

Let $c_{\text{retentate}} = c_b$

$$\text{We know } c_{\text{feed}} = 6 \text{ kg m}^{-3} \quad \left[0.6 \text{ wt}\% = \frac{0.6 \text{ g}}{100 \text{ ml}} = \frac{6 \text{ kg}}{\text{m}^3} \right]$$



$$VCF = 3.41 \quad J = 32.5 \text{ LMH}$$

$$VCF = 9.42 \quad J = 22.5 \text{ LMH}$$

$$c_b = 3.41 \times 6 = 20.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$c_b = 9.42 \times 6 = 56.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{22.5 - 32.5}{[(\ln 56.5) - (\ln 20.5)]} = -\frac{10}{1.014} = -9.86 \text{ LMH}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 9.86 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J = k \ln \left(\frac{c_g}{c_b} \right)$$

$$@ \text{ VCF} = 20 \quad c_b = 20 \times 6 \text{ kgm}^{-3} = 120 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 15 = 9.86 \ln \left(\frac{c_g}{120} \right)$$

$$c_g = 120 \times \exp^{15/9.86} = 549 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

Check. $@ \text{ VCF} = 10 \quad c_b = 60 \text{ kgm}^{-3} \Rightarrow J = 9.86 \ln \left(\frac{549}{60} \right) = 21.8 \text{ LMH}$
 cf 21.7 LMH from graph, OK.

Problem 13.

Stage	VCF	Feed flow ($l h^{-1}$)	Retentate flow ($l h^{-1}$)	Permeate flow ($l h^{-1}$)	Flux (LMH)	Area (m^2)
1	1.8	10,000	5,556	4,444		
2	3.5	5,556	2,857	2,699		
3	10.0	2,857	1,000	1,857	18.57	100

Problem 14

$$\frac{C_m}{C_b} = \exp \left(\frac{J}{k} \right)$$

$$\therefore J = k \ln C_m - k \ln C_b$$

Plot J (flux) versus $\ln C_b$.

Slope of plot = $-k$; y-intercept of plot = $k \ln C_m$.

Need to calculate C_m .

From the regression line,
y-intercept = $249.1 \text{ L}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\text{h}^{-1}$ and slope = -76.1

$$\therefore k = 76.1 \text{ L}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\text{h}^{-1} \text{ and}$$

$$C_m = \exp\left(\frac{249.1}{76.1}\right) = \underline{\underline{26.4 \text{ wt.}\%}}.$$

Problem 15.

(i) $J_i = 40 \text{ LMH}$

$$J_{ave} = \frac{\text{Permeate volume}}{\text{area} \times \text{time}} = \frac{2000 - 250}{10 \times 5} = 35 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_{ave} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}(J_i - J_f)$$

$$\Rightarrow J_{ave} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}J_i - \frac{2}{3}J_f$$

$$\Rightarrow J_{ave} - \frac{2}{3}J_i = J_f(1 - \frac{2}{3})$$

$$\Rightarrow J_f = 3(J_{ave} - \frac{2}{3}J_i)$$

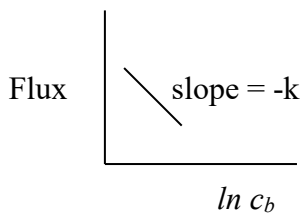
$$J_f = 3(35 - \frac{2}{3} \times 40) = 25 \text{ LMH}$$

(ii)

$$VCF = \frac{2000}{250} = 8$$

$$c_{final} = 8 \times c_{feed} = 24 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$$

Estimate k



$$\text{slope} = \frac{25 - 40}{[\ln 24 - \ln 3]} = -7.2 \text{ LMH} \quad \therefore k = 7.2 \text{ LMH}$$

$$c_m = c_b \exp\left(\frac{J}{k}\right) = 3 \exp\left(\frac{40}{7.2}\right) = 776 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$$

(iii)

k increased by 30% $\therefore k = 9.36 \text{ LMH}$
 $c_m = 776 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ (constant)

$$J_i = k \ln\left(\frac{c_m}{c_b}\right) = 9.36 \ln\left(\frac{776}{3}\right) = 52 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_f = 9.36 \ln\left(\frac{776}{24}\right) = 32.5 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_{ave} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}(J_i - J_f) = 32.5 + \frac{2}{3}(52 - 32.5) = 45.5 \text{ LMH}$$

$$\text{Processing time} = \frac{\text{Permeate volume}}{J \times A} = \frac{1750}{45.5 \times 10} = 3.85 \text{ hours}$$

Problem 16.

(i)

$$J_{ave} = \frac{\text{Permeate volume}}{\text{area} \times \text{time}} = \frac{12}{4 \times 0.1} = 30 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_{final} = 18 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_{ave} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}(J_i - J_f)$$

$$\Rightarrow J_{ave} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}J_i - \frac{2}{3}J_f$$

$$\Rightarrow J_{ave} - \frac{1}{3}J_f = \frac{2}{3}J_i$$

$$\Rightarrow J_i = \frac{3}{2}(J_{ave} - \frac{1}{3}J_f)$$

$$J_i = \frac{2}{3}(30 - \frac{1}{3} \times 18) = 36 \text{ LMH}$$

$$VCF = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

$$J_i = 36 \text{ LMH}; c_{b, \text{initial}} = 1.5 \%$$

$$J_f = 18 \text{ LMH}; c_{b, \text{final}} = 1.5 \times 5 = 7.5 \%$$

$$-k = \text{slope} = \frac{36 - 18}{[\ln 1.5 - \ln 7.5]} = -11.2 \text{ LMH} \therefore k = 11.2 \text{ LMH}$$

$$c_g = c_b \exp^{(J/k)} = 1.5 \exp^{(36/11.2)} = 37.3 \%$$

(ii)

$$VCF = 5$$

$$\text{Feed} = 4,000 \text{ litres} \therefore \text{Retentate} = \frac{4,000}{5} = 800 \text{ litres}$$

$$\text{Processing time} = 8 \text{ hours}$$

$$k = \frac{2}{3} \times 11.2 = 7.46 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_i = 7.46 \ln\left(\frac{37.3}{1.5}\right) = 23.97 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_f = 7.46 \ln\left(\frac{37.3}{7.5}\right) = 11.97 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_{ave} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}(J_i - J_f)$$

$$J_{ave} = 11.97 + \frac{2}{3}(23.97 - 11.97) = 19.97 \text{ LMH}$$

$$\text{Membrane area} = \frac{4000 - 800}{19.97 \times 8} = 20 \text{ m}^2$$

Problem 17.

$$VCF = 4$$

$$V_{\text{retentate}} = 500 \text{ litres}$$

$$V_{\text{feed}} = 4 \times 500 = 2000 \text{ litres}$$

$$V_{\text{permeate}} = 1500 \text{ litres}$$

$$c_f = 34 \text{ g l}^{-1}$$

$$c_{\text{retentate}} = 136 \text{ g l}^{-1}$$

$$J_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1500}{5 \times 10} = 30 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_{\text{avg}} = J_f + \frac{2}{3}(J_i - J_f) \rightarrow J_f = 3\left(J_{\text{avg}} - \frac{2}{3}J_i\right)$$

$$J_f = 3\left(30 - \frac{2}{3} \times 42\right) = 6 \text{ LMH}$$

$$J_1 = k \ln\left(\frac{c_m}{c_1}\right) = k \ln c_m - k \ln c_1$$

$$J_2 = k \ln\left(\frac{c_m}{c_2}\right) = k \ln c_m - k \ln c_2$$

$$\text{slope} = -k$$

$$J_1 - J_2 = k(\ln c_2 - \ln c_1)$$

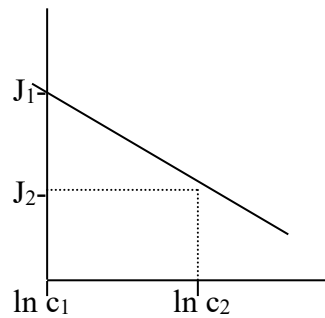
$$k = \frac{J_1 - J_2}{(\ln c_2 - \ln c_1)} = \frac{42 - 6}{(\ln 136 - \ln 34)} = 26 \text{ LMH}$$

For J_1

$$J_1 = k \ln\left(\frac{c_m}{c_1}\right)$$

$$c_m = \exp\left(\frac{J_1}{k}\right)c_1$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{42}{26}\right) \times 34 = 171 \text{ g l}^{-1}$$

**Problem 18**

$$d_h = \frac{4 \times \text{cross sectional area for flow}}{\text{wetted perimeter}}$$

$$= \frac{4(0.002 \times 0.15)}{2(0.002 + 0.15)} = 3.95 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$u = \frac{\text{volume flow rate}}{10 \times \text{cross sectional area of channel}}$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 10^{-3}}{10(0.002 \times 0.15)} = 1.33 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$$

Is flow turbulent? (i.e. is Reynolds number > 2400)

$$\text{Re} = \frac{\rho d_h u}{\mu} = \frac{1010 \times 3.95 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.33}{1.2 \times 10^{-3}} = 4421.7$$

$$\alpha = 0.023 \text{ (turbulent flow)}$$

$$b = 1.0 \text{ (turbulent flow)}$$

$$k = 0.023 \times 4421.7 \times \left(\frac{1.2 \times 10^{-3}}{1010 \times 6.81 \times 10^{-11}} \right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{6.81 \times 10^{-11}}{3.95 \times 10^{-3}} \right)$$

$$= \underline{\underline{4.55 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}}$$

Thickness of gel layer

$$k = \frac{D}{\delta}$$

$$\therefore \delta = \frac{D}{k} = \frac{6.81 \times 10^{-11}}{4.55 \times 10^{-5}} = \underline{\underline{14.96 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m or } 1.5 \text{ } \mu\text{m}}}$$

Problem 19

$$J = 0.1 \text{ m}^3 \text{m}^{-2} \text{h}^{-1}$$

$$A = 12 \text{ m}^2$$

$$-\frac{dV_f}{dt} = JA$$

$$-\int_{V_{f0}}^{V_f} dV_f = JA \int_0^t dt$$

$$V_{f0} - V_f = JA t$$

Concentration from 10 m^3 to 1 m^3

$$\therefore V_{f0} = 10 \text{ m}^3 \text{ and } V_f = 1 \text{ m}^3$$

$$t = \frac{(V_{f0} - V_f)}{JA} = \frac{(10 - 1)}{0.1 \times 12} = \underline{\underline{7.5 \text{ h}}}$$