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Initial Flowsheet

- Flowsheet options: General with Metric units template
- Property method: UNIFAC
- Feed stream #1: 200 kg/min ethanol, 25 C
- Feed stream #2: 261 kg/min acetic acid, 25 C

Reactor

- REquil
 - o Temperature: 55 C
 - Pressure: 1 bar
 - Reactions: ETHANOL + ACETIC ACID -> ETHYL ACETATE + WATER
 - Coefficients: -1, 1 (reactants), 1, 0 (products)

Reactor (RadFrac)

- RadFrac specifications
 - o Stages: 23
 - Type: Total condenser
 - Reflux Ratio: 3 (mol ratio)
 - o Reboiler duty: 3500 kJ/sec
 - Feed stage: 12, on-stage

Heat Exchanger

- 2 HeatX blocks, one per feed stream
- Hot water stream:
 - Temperature: 80 C
 - o Pressure: 1 bar
 - Flowrate: 200 kg/min.
- HeatX:
 - Model fidelity: Shortcut
 - Outlet temperature: 55C
 - Min temperature approach: 5 C

Pump

- 2 Pumps, each before their respective heat exchanger
- Discharge pressure: 1 bar

Design Specifications

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- Starts from Ch 2.3
- RadFrac block:
 - o Stages: 10
 - Type: Total condenser
 - Reflux ratio: 2 (mol ratio)
 - o Bottoms rate: 20 kg/min
 - Feed: Stage 6 (On-stage)
 - Condenser pressure: 1 bar
 - Column design spec:
 - Specification RECOVERY
 - Type: Mol recovery, .999
 - Component: acetic-acid
 - Product stream: column bottoms
 - Vary bottoms rate
 - Lowerbound: 2000 kg/hr
 - Upperbound: 5000 kg/hr
 - Convergence options
 - Iterations: 200
- Mixer:
- Decanter:
 - o Pressure: 1 bar
 - o Temperature: 25 C
 - 2nd liquid phase: water
- RadFrac #2:
 - Stages: 15
 - o Type: total condenser
 - Distillate rate: 18500 kg/hr
 - Reflux ratio: 5 (mol ratio)
 - o Feed: Stage 8
 - Condenser pressure: 1 bar
- Additional streams:
 - o Water, 25 C, 1 bar, 200kg/min into the mixer.
- Design Specification 2:
 - AAPURITY (under flowsheeting options)
 - Variable -> PURITY
 - Type: Mass-Frac
 - o Final ethyl acetate stream, componentis ethyl acetate
 - Specifications:
 - PURITY, target .98, tolerance .0001
 - O Vary:
 - Mass-Flow, WATER stream, WATER component, kg/min units
 - Lower bound: 200
 - Upper bound: 800

Sensitivity Analysis

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- New variable -> Block-Var -> RadFrac #2
- MOLE-RR:
 - Range is 2.5 to 6, 150 points of evaluation
 - Define tab -> New Variable:
 - Type: Mass-Flow
 - Stream: Distillate out top of column
 - Component: Ethanol
 - Units: kg/hr
 - Tabulate tab -> Fill Variables

Note: any parameters not specified in this memo assume their default values.