Problem 4.2

Since this is an aqueous system, the volume is assumed to be constant.

$$A + 2 B -> R + S$$

From the stoichiometry, for every mole of A reacted, 2 moles of B are reacted. Therefore.

$$XB = 2*XA*Cao/Cbo$$

Since Ca and Cao are given, XA = 1 - Ca/Cao = 1 - 20/100 = 0.80.

Therefore, XB = 2*0.80*100/100 = 1.60.

Clearly, this is not possible, since the maximum value of XB is 1.0.

Therefore, the problem setup is in error and CB cannot be determined.

The point of this problem is for the students to recognize that the numerical answer obtained by applying the equations is not physically possible and therefore the setup/assumptions must be in error.

Problem 5.4

For an MFR $\tau = (\text{Co} - \text{C})/(-\text{r})$

If $r = -k C^{1.5}$, then $\tau = (Co - C)/k C^{1.5}$

Given 70% conversion, C = Co(1-X) = 10(1-0.7) = 3.0

So, $\tau = (\text{Co} - \text{C})/\text{ k }\text{C}^{1.5} = 1.34715/\text{k}$

If new reactor has twice the volume, $\tau_2 = 2$ $\tau_1 = 2.6943/k = (Co - C)/k$ C^{1.5}

$$\tau_2 = 2.6943/k = (\text{Co} - \text{C})/k \text{ C}^{1.5}$$

 $2.6943 = (\text{Co} - \text{C})/\text{C}^{1.5}$

Given answer: Solving for C = 2.83 so X = 0.717

(I used excel solver to get Ca = 2.056 X=0.79)

Problem 5.8

For an MFR in which a reversible reaction occurs,

$$k_1\tau = Xa Xe/(Xe - Xa)$$

Since we know from the reaction model, -ra = 0.04 Ca - 0.01 Cr.

At equilibrium, ra = 0, so Caeq/Creq = 0.01/0.04 = 0.25 or Creq = 4 Caeq.

Since by mass balance, Ca+Cr=Cao=100, Caeq=20 and Creq=80 mmol/L.

$$Xe = (Cao-Ca)/Cao = 100-20/100 = 0.80$$

Plugging this into the above equation, with $k_1 = 0.04$, $\tau = 20$

0.04*20 = Xa(0.8)/(0.80-Xa)

Solving for Xa = 0.40.

Problem 5.9

Integrating the M-M equation gives,

$$\tau = \text{Km/Vm ln} (1/1-X) + 1/\text{Vm} (\text{Co X})$$

Plugging in X = 0.95, Vm = 0.2, Km = 2.0 gives

$$\tau = 39.46 = V/q$$
 $V = 986.43 L$

Problem 5.11 For an MFR in which a M-M reaction occurs, $\tau = (Co-C)/-r$ Substituting in the M-M equation and re-arranging, $C^2 + \{Km + \tau\ Vm - Co\}C - Km\ Co = 0$ For 95% conversion, $C = 0.05\ Co.$ Substituting this in with Co, Km and Vm values gives $\tau = 199.5\ min = V/q\ so\ V = 199.5*25 = 4987.5\ L$

Problem 5.21

For this one, you need to plot 1/r vs. C and integrate under the data curve to get the space-time parameter. Integrating 1/r vs. C between 0.3 and 1.3 gives t = 12.75 min.