

### CE 5364 Groundwater Transport Phenomena Exercise Set 3

#### Exercises

1. A fuel mixture of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene at mole fractions 0.075, 0.065, and 0.035 respectively equilibrates with the atmosphere at 25°C



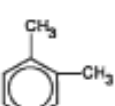
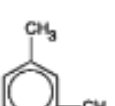

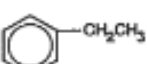
Name	Structure	Molecular Weight	Solubility in Water	Soil-Water Partition Coefficient
Benzene		78.11	1780 mg/L	97
Toluene		92.1	500 mg/L	242
Xylene, ortho		106.17	170 mg/L	363
Xylene, meta		106.17	173 mg/L	182
Xylene, para		106.17	200 mg/L	331
Ethyl benzene		106.17	150 mg/L	622

Figure 4.13 Benzene related compounds.

Figure 1: Benzene Compounds - Structural diagrams and physical properties

Determine:

- (a) Concentration in the gas (air) phase of the three components in  $\frac{mg}{L}$
  - (b) Concentration in the gas (air) phase of the three components in  $\frac{\mu g}{m^3}$
2. (Modified from 6.22 pg. 592)

A well with effective diameter of 0.5 m fully penetrates an aquifer that has a uniform saturated thickness of 10 m. One hundred grams of benzene are spilled into the well,

TABLE 7.1 Properties for Selected Organic Compounds

Compound/ Family	Formula	Specific Gravity	Solubility (mg/L)	$K_{ow}$	Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)	Henry's Law (unitless)
<b>Fuels and derivatives</b>						
Benzene	$C_6H_6$	0.879	1750	130	80	0.22
Ethylbenzene	$C_8H_{10}$	0.867	152	1400	7	0.32
Phenol	$C_6H_5O$	1.071	93,000	29	0.2	$1.88 \times 10^{-4}$
Toluene	$C_6H_5CH_3$	0.866	535	130	22	0.26
<i>o</i> -Xylene	$C_6H_4(CH_3)_2$	0.880	175	860	5	0.22
<b>PAHs</b>						
Acenaphthene	$C_{12}H_{10}$	1.069	3.42	10,000	0.01	0.321
Benzo[a]pyrene	$C_{20}H_{12}$	1.35	0.0012	$1.15 \times 10^6$	—	$5.8 \times 10^{-8}$
Benzo[a]perylene	$C_{22}H_{12}$	—	0.0007	$3.24 \times 10^6$	—	$5.8 \times 10^{-8}$
Naphthalene	$C_{10}H_8$	1.145	32	2900	0.23	$4.9 \times 10^{-2}$
Methyl naphthalene	$C_{10}H_7CH_3$	1.025	25.4	13,000	—	0.0184
<b>Ketones</b>						
Acetone	$CH_3COCH_3$	0.791	inf	0.6	89	0.00104
Methyl ethyl ketone	$CH_3COCH_2CH_3$	0.805	$2.68 \times 10^5$	1.8	77.5	0.00181
<b>Halogenated aromatics</b>						
Chlorobenzene	$C_6H_5Cl$	1.106	466	690	9	0.165
2-Chlorophenol	$C_6H_4ClOH$	1.241	29,000	15	1.42	$7.4 \times 10^{-4}$
<i>p</i> -Dichlorobenzene (1,4)	$C_6H_4Cl_2$	1.458	79	3900	0.6	0.067
Hexachlorobenzene	$C_6Cl_6$	2.044	0.006	$1.7 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^{-4}$	0.062
Pentachlorophenol	$C_6OHCl_5$	1.978	14	$1.0 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-4}$
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	$C_6H_3Cl_3$	1.448	30	20,000	0.42	0.099
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	$C_6H_2Cl_3OH$	1.490	800	74	0.012	—

Specific gravity at various temperatures; refer to Nyer and others (1991) for details; inf is infinite solubility  
Vapor pressure about 20 °C; 1 atm = 760 mm Hg.  
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Figure 2: Physical properties for some organic compounds

immediately dissolve, and mix into the water in the well. The seepage velocity is 30 m/yr in the x-direction, the longitudinal dispersivity is 1.0 m, and the transverse dispersivity is 0.1 m.

The aquifer has the following characteristics:

- Bulk density = 1.8 g/cc
- porosity = 0.30
- $f_{oc}$  = 1 percent
- $K_{ow}$  = 135 L/kg

Determine:

- (a) The retardation factor  $R$  for benzene in this aquifer.
- (b) The maximum benzene concentration at  $t = 1$  yr.
- (c) The location of this maximum.

The following data for concentration of TCE were taken at a single monitoring well. Use the Mann-Kendall test (pp. 458-460) to determine whether the concentration has an upward or downward trend.

Table 1: TCE Observations in an Aquifer	
Initial Concentration (mg/L)	Equilibrium Concentration (mg/L)
Date	TCE (ppb)
9/92	8
12/92	19
3/93	21
6/93	13
9/93	39
12/93	24
3/94	28
6/94	25

Determine:

- 3. (a) The upward or downward concentration trend, using a Mann-Kendall test.
- 4. (Data Analysis)

A batch isotherm test was performed with several 1-L solutions of the chemical of interest and one soil type, 20 g in each solution container. The initial and final solution concentrations are shown in Table 2. Fit the linear, Freundlich, and Langmuir isotherm equations to this data.

Determine:

- (a) The Linear isotherm equation for these data (i.e. fit the isotherm model to the data), plot the isotherm and data
- (b) The Freundlich isotherm equation for these data, plot the isotherm and data
- (c) The Langmuir isotherm equation for these data, plot the isotherm and data
- (d) Which isotherm model produces the best fit for these data?

Table 2: Isotherm Observations

Initial Concentration (mg/L)	Equilibrium Concentration (mg/L)
7.10	6.71
4.53	4.18
1.89	1.63
1.31	1.10
1.03	0.85

Show calculations and identify all fitted parameter values.

## 5. (Data Analysis)

The following table (Table 3) has data from a column test with bromide (conservative) and chromium (sorbed). The porosity of the soil was 0.485, the bulk density was 1.85 g/cc, velocity was 0.244 cm/min, and the column was 25.4 cm long with a diameter of 2.54 cm.

Time (min)	Bromide $\frac{C}{C_0}$	Chromium $\frac{C}{C_0}$
0	0.000	0.000
15	0.000	0.000
30	0.005	0.000
45	0.003	0.000
60	0.013	0.000
75	0.075	0.000
90	0.137	0.000
105	0.530	0.000
120	0.841	0.000
135	1.000	0.000
150	1.000	0.000
165	1.000	0.009
180	1.000	0.186
195	1.000	0.595
210	1.000	0.791
225	1.000	0.875
240	1.000	0.913
255	1.000	0.946
270	1.000	0.946
285	1.000	1.000
300	1.000	1.000
315	1.000	1.000
330	1.000	1.000
345	1.000	1.000
360	1.000	1.000

Determine:

- Sketch the system.
- The dispersivity in *cm*
- The retardation coefficient for *Cr*.