

HW9_3

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1 Homework 9

1.1 Problem 3

Determine lowest benzene composition in the bottoms given certain conditions.

15 trays at 20% efficiency is equivalent to 3 equilibrium stages.

The minimum composition in the bottoms is achieved at total reflux where the operating line is $y = x$.

1.2 Problem 3.1

Total condensers and total reboilers do not count as equilibrium stages so the column still only has 3 equilibrium stages.

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[ ]: import pandas as pd
      from scipy.interpolate import interp1d
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

[ ]: file = pd.read_csv('Txy.csv')           #data from csv
      temp = file['T'].values
      x = file['x'].values
      y = file['y'].values

      xInterp = interp1d(y,x)                #interpolated data
      yInterp = interp1d(x,y)

      z = .5                                #feed comp molfrac
      F = 45                                #feed kg/hr
      xD = .8                                #molfrac distil

[ ]: plt.figure(figsize = (9,7))
      plt.plot(x,y,label='EQ curve')
      plt.plot(x,x,label='Operating line')
      plt.vlines(xD,0,1,'k','--')

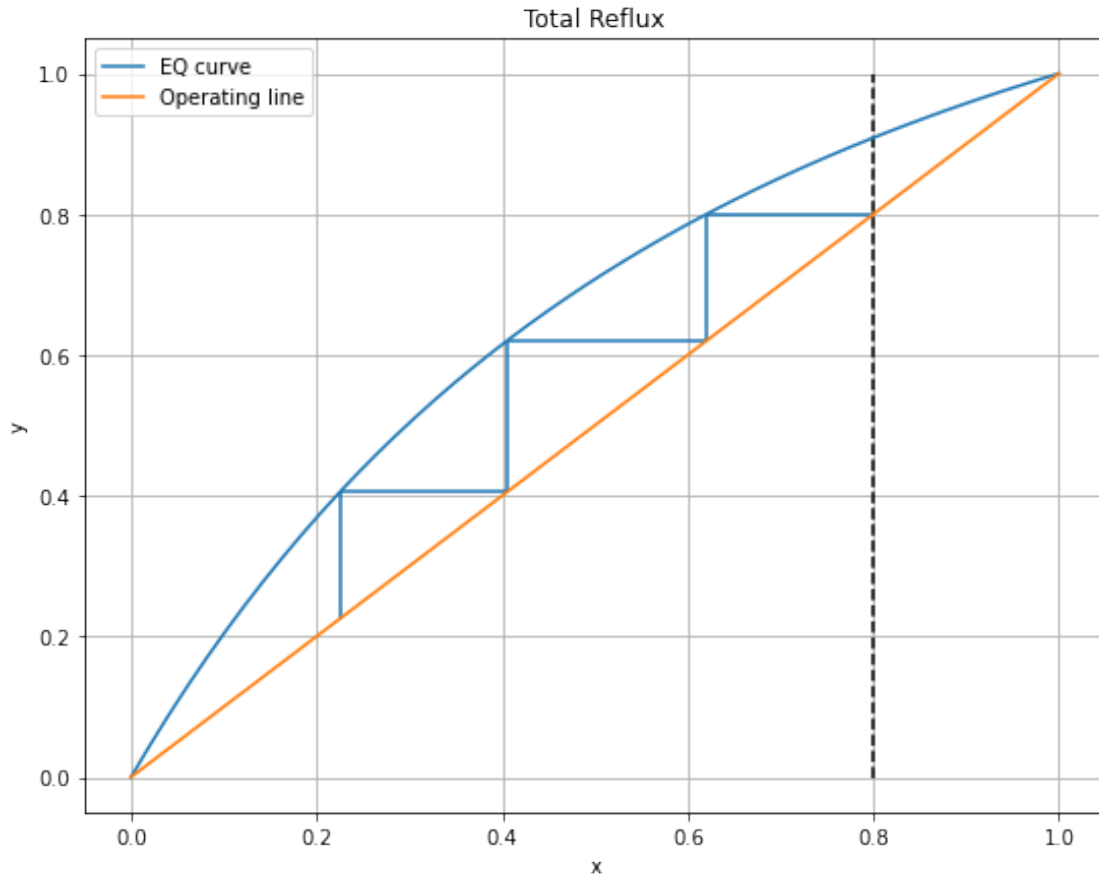
      x1 = xD
      y1 = xD
      x2 = xInterp(y1)
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y2 = x2
x3 = xInterp(y2)
y3 = x3
x4 = xInterp(y3)
y4 = x4

plt.hlines(y1,x1,x2)
plt.vlines(x2,y1,y2)
plt.hlines(y2,x2,x3)
plt.vlines(x3,y2,y3)
plt.hlines(y3,x3,x4)
plt.vlines(x4,y3,y4)

plt.grid()
plt.title('Total Reflux')
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')
plt.legend()
;
print(x4)
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0.2252455521901447



The minimum composition in the bottoms with a total reboiler and total condenser is $x_B = 0.225$.

1.3 Problem 3.2

With a partial condenser and total reboiler, there is one added equilibrium stage to the column so $N = 4$.

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[ ]: plt.figure(figsize = (9,7))
plt.plot(x,y,label='EQ curve')
plt.plot(x,x,label='Operating line')
plt.vlines(xD,0,1,'k','--')

x1 = xD
y1 = xD
x2 = xInterp(y1)
y2 = x2
x3 = xInterp(y2)
y3 = x3
x4 = xInterp(y3)
y4 = x4
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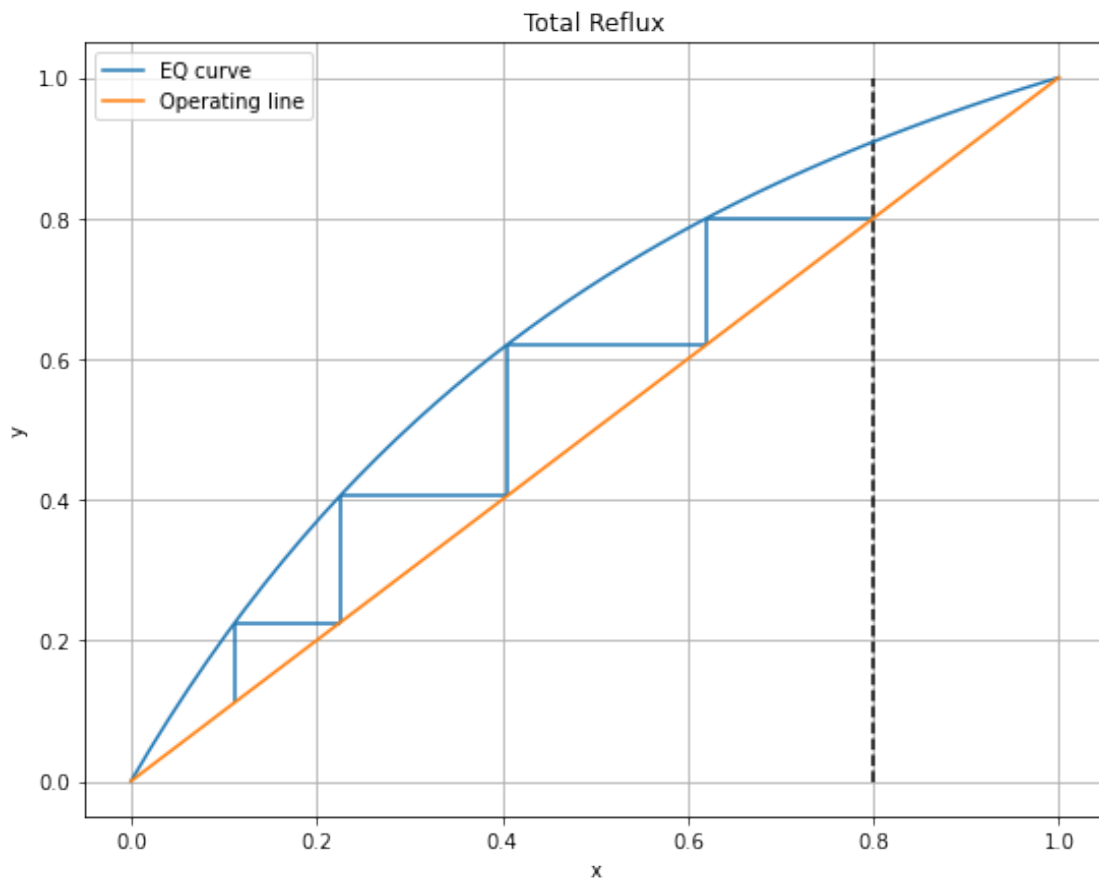
x5 = xInterp(y4)
y5 = x5

plt.hlines(y1,x1,x2)
plt.vlines(x2,y1,y2)
plt.hlines(y2,x2,x3)
plt.vlines(x3,y2,y3)
plt.hlines(y3,x3,x4)
plt.vlines(x4,y3,y4)
plt.hlines(y4,x4,x5)
plt.vlines(x5,y4,y5)

plt.grid()
plt.title('Total Reflux')
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')
plt.legend()
;
print(x5)

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0.11198062383404807



The minimum composition with a partial condenser and total reboiler is $x_B = 0.112$.

1.4 Problem 3.3

With a partial reboiler and partial condenser, the column has two added equilibrium stages so $N = 5$.

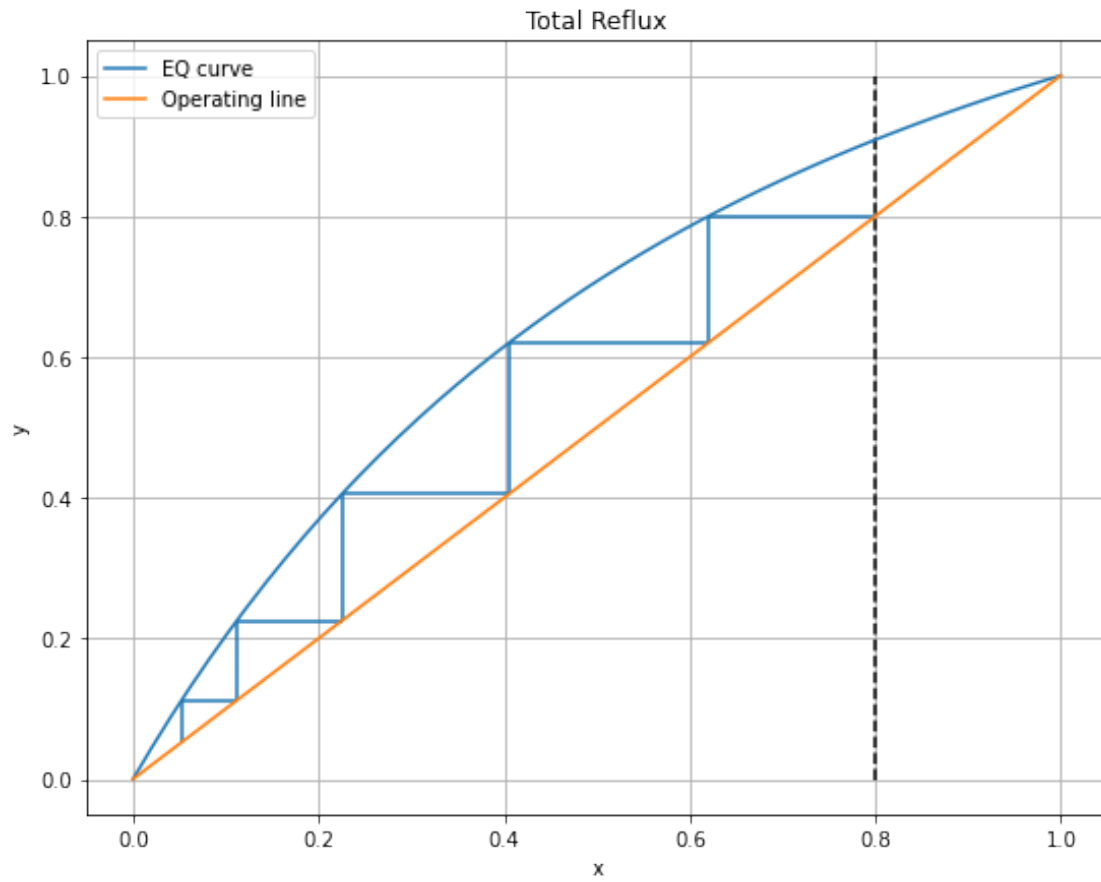
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[ ]: plt.figure(figsize = (9,7))
plt.plot(x,y,label='EQ curve')
plt.plot(x,x,label='Operating line')
plt.vlines(xD,0,1,'k','--')

x1 = xD
y1 = xD
x2 = xInterp(y1)
y2 = x2
x3 = xInterp(y2)
y3 = x3
x4 = xInterp(y3)
y4 = x4
x5 = xInterp(y4)
y5 = x5
x6 = xInterp(y5)
y6 = x6

plt.hlines(y1,x1,x2)
plt.vlines(x2,y1,y2)
plt.hlines(y2,x2,x3)
plt.vlines(x3,y2,y3)
plt.hlines(y3,x3,x4)
plt.vlines(x4,y3,y4)
plt.hlines(y4,x4,x5)
plt.vlines(x5,y4,y5)
plt.hlines(y5,x5,x6)
plt.vlines(x6,y5,y6)

plt.grid()
plt.title('Total Reflux')
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')
plt.legend()
;
print(x6)
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0.05235428297778959



The minimum bottoms composition with a partial reboiler and partial condenser is $x = 0.052$.