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Lecture # 5.1 CHE331A

- Reaction rate is a function of concentration
- Some more about reactions
- Rate laws and the forms of reaction rates
- Rate constant, activation energy and Equilibrium constants
- Rate as a function of conversion
 - Performance equations

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To use the design equation in terms of conversion we need to find $-r_A = g(X)$



- ▶ We have seen $-r_A = f(T, C_j)$, \rightarrow we need to find out $C_j = h(X)$
- ▶ To determine this relationship the stoichiometry of the reaction is important
- ▶ For a reaction $A + \frac{b}{a}B \rightleftharpoons \frac{c}{a}C + \frac{d}{a}D$ we have $\frac{\Delta N_A}{-1} = \frac{\Delta N_B}{-b/a} = \frac{\Delta N_C}{c/a} = \frac{\Delta N_D}{d/a}$
- ▶ Number of moles of species A remaining after time t (BR) or volume V or W (flow reactors) is given by: $N_A = N_{A0}(1 - X)$ for BR and
 $F_A = F_{A0}(1 - X)$ for CSTR/PFR/PBR
- ▶ Based on the above the stoichiometry moles of the other species can be determined \rightarrow best done by a stoichiometric table (single reaction)

The stoichiometry table for a batch system

Species	Initial (mol)	Change (mol)	Remaining (mol)
A	N_{A0}	$-(N_{A0}X)$	$N_A = N_{A0} - N_{A0}X$
B	N_{B0}	$-\frac{b}{a}(N_{A0}X)$	$N_B = N_{B0} - \frac{b}{a}N_{A0}X$
C	N_{C0}	$\frac{c}{a}(N_{A0}X)$	$N_C = N_{C0} + \frac{c}{a}N_{A0}X$
D	N_{D0}	$\frac{d}{a}(N_{A0}X)$	$N_D = N_{D0} + \frac{d}{a}N_{A0}X$
I (inerts)	N_{I0}	--	$N_I = N_{I0}$
Total =	N_{T0}		$N_T = N_{T0} + \delta N_{A0}X$
$\delta = \frac{d}{a} + \frac{c}{a} - \frac{b}{a} - 1$ is the change in number moles per mol A reacted			

Concentrations are given by $\frac{N_i}{V}$

$$\frac{\Delta N_A}{-1} = \frac{\Delta N_B}{-b/a} = \frac{\Delta N_C}{c/a} = \frac{\Delta N_D}{d/a} = N_{A0}X$$

$$C_A = \frac{N_A}{V} = \frac{N_{A0}(1-X)}{V}; \quad C_B = \frac{N_{B0} - (b/a)N_{A0}X}{V}$$

$$C_C = \frac{N_{C0} + (c/a)N_{A0}X}{V}; \quad C_D = \frac{N_{D0} + (d/a)N_{A0}X}{V}$$

Defining with respect to N_{A0}

$$\theta_i = \frac{N_{i0}}{N_{A0}} = \frac{C_{i0}}{C_{A0}} = \frac{y_{i0}}{y_{A0}}$$



$$C_A = \frac{N_{A0}(1-X)}{V}; \quad C_B = \frac{N_{A0}[\theta_B - (b/a)X]}{V}$$

$$C_C = \frac{N_{A0}[\theta_C + (c/a)X]}{V}; \quad C_D = \frac{N_{A0}[\theta_D + (d/a)X]}{V}$$

For flow systems a similar approach can be taken

► For flow systems: N_i is replaced by F_i and V by \dot{v} in the stoichio. table

► Thus,
$$C_A = \frac{F_A}{\dot{v}} = \frac{F_{A0} - F_{A0}X}{\dot{v}}; \quad C_B = \frac{F_{B0} - (b/a)F_{A0}X}{\dot{v}}$$

$$C_C = \frac{F_{C0} + (c/a)F_{A0}X}{\dot{v}}; \quad C_D = \frac{F_{D0} + (d/a)F_{A0}X}{\dot{v}}$$

Apply to:
 $\text{N}_2 + 3\text{H}_2 = 2\text{NH}_3$

□ Defining with respect to F_{A0} :

$$\theta_i = \frac{F_{i0}}{F_{A0}} = \frac{C_{i0}}{C_{A0}} = \frac{y_{i0}}{y_{A0}}$$

$$C_A = \frac{F_{A0}(1-X)}{\dot{v}};$$

$$C_B = \frac{F_{A0}[\theta_B - (b/a)X]}{\dot{v}}$$

$$C_C = \frac{F_{A0}[\theta_C + (c/a)X]}{\dot{v}};$$

$$C_D = \frac{F_{A0}[\theta_D + (d/a)X]}{\dot{v}}$$



► V and \dot{v} may be function of X , → we now need to find $V(X)$ & $\dot{v}(X)$

For some cases the volume of the reacting system is a constant (const. volume systems)

- ▶ For liquid-phase reactions taking place in solution, the solvent usually dominates the system
 - Change in density is small/negligible, except for polymerization reactions
- ▶ For gas-phase reactions, constant volume occurs for
 - Sealed constant-volume vessel, with appropriate T and P measurements
 - Isothermal reaction with the number of moles of reactants is equal to the number of moles of products in the stoichiometric equation
- ▶ Thus, $V = V_0$ for batch systems OR $\dot{v} = \dot{v}_0$ for flow systems

$$C_i = \frac{N_{A0}[\theta_i + (\mu_i/a)X]}{V_0} \quad \text{OR} \quad C_i = \frac{F_{A0}[\theta_i + (\mu_i/a)X]}{\dot{v}_0} \quad \frac{\mu_i}{a} \rightarrow \text{stoichio. coefficient}$$

Constant volume systems can readily be used for determining $-r_A = f(X)$

- ▶ For $V = V_0$ for batch systems OR $\dot{v} = \dot{v}_0$ for flow systems, and a rate law given for A reacting with B as $-r_A = k \cdot C_A \cdot C_B$

- ▶ $C_i = \frac{N_{A0}[\theta_i + (\mu_i/a)X]}{V_0}$ OR $C_i = \frac{F_{A0}[\theta_i + (\mu_i/a)X]}{\dot{v}_0} \rightarrow C_i = C_{A0} [\theta_i + (\mu_i/a)X]$

- ▶ Then, $-r_A = k C_{A0}(1 - X) \cdot C_{A0} \left(\theta_B - \frac{b}{a} X \right)$

- ▶ Thus, $-r_A = k C_{A0}^2 (1 - X) \cdot \left(\theta_B - \frac{b}{a} X \right) = f(X)$

Reading Assignment:
Ex 3-2 and 3-3 from
Fogler, 4th Edition

