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B.E. (Biotechnology) Eighth Semester  
BIO-804: Modeling and Simulation of Bio-Processes

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

**NOTE:** Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Section. State clearly your assumption.

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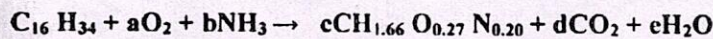
1. Write briefly:

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- What do you understand by data smoothing?
- What is the significance of metabolic Engineering?
- What is product yield with respect to substrate?
- Write down unsteady state mass balance for dynamic model of (CSTR)?
- What do you understand by structured and un-structured models?
- A chemostat has a liquid volume of 4liters and is being fed at a rate of 8 liters per hour. Find dilution rate for this reactor.
- Define metabolic engineering.
- Write down characteristics of fed batch reactor.
- Define useful measurable parameter is the respiratory quotient (RQ)?
- Write down advantage and disadvantage of batch reactor.

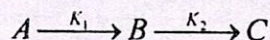
SECTION-A

2. a) Production of single- cell protein from hexadecane is described by the following reaction equation:



Where  $cCH_{1.66}O_{0.27}N_{0.20}$  represents the biomass, If  $RQ = 0.43$  determine the stoichiometric coefficients.

- 1.5 kg salt is dissolve in water to make 100 liters. Pure water runs into a tank containing this solution at a rate of 5 L min.<sup>-1</sup>; salt solution overflows at the same rate. The tank is well mixed. How much salt in the tank at the end of 15 min.? Assume the density of salt solution is constant and equal to that of water.
  - Water enters a tank at the rate of 25 L/min. it is being withdrawn at the rate which varies according to  $25(1-e^{-0.1t})$  L/min., where t is minutes. If the tank initially contains 50 L. How many gallons (liter) of water will the tank contains when the steady state is reached? (5, 3, 2)
3. a) An electric heating-coil is immersed tank. Solvent at 15°C with heat capacity 2.1 kJ kg<sup>-1</sup>°C is fed into the tank at of 15 kg h<sup>-1</sup>. Heated solvent is discharged at the same flow rate. The tank is filled initially with 125 kg cold solvent at 10°C. The rate of heating by electric coil is 800 W. Calculate the time required for the temperature of solvent to reach 60°C.
- The simple first order conversion of an enzyme A into product B may be complicated by the conversion B into new product C. This can be describing by the equation:



Each step of the reaction will have a unique rate constant  $K_1$  for the conversion of an enzyme A into B and  $K_2$  for the conversion of B to C. if the initial concentration of A at time  $A_0$ . Derive the concentration of A, B, and C in terms of time and rate constant. Also plot the concentration profile of reactant with time.

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4. a) Dean and Hinshelwood proposed two-compartment model shown below for a bacterial cell.

$$\boxed{\frac{dX_1}{dt} = \alpha_1 X_2} \longleftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{dX_2}{dt} = \alpha_2 X_1}$$

The rate of changes of component  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  follow the equations shown in the boxes above with  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  being kinetic constants. Solve this model of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  with time  $t$  for the cases:

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 ; \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_1 > \alpha_2$$

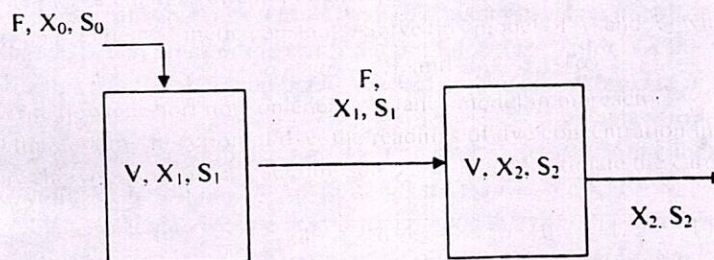
- b) Write down a short note on energy balance model in bioreactor.  
 c) After an 8 mg injection of dye, the readings of dye concentration in mg/L at two second intervals are shown in the table. Use Simpson's 3/8<sup>th</sup> rule to estimate the cardiac output.

t	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
Dye conc. (mg/L)	0	2.4	5.1	7.1	7.6	5.4	3.9	2.3	1.6	0.7	0

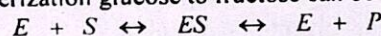
(4, 2, 4)

**SECTION-B**

- 5) Discuss the balance equations for each component as given two chemostat model (Fig.1) arranged in series. Consider an organism which follows the Monod equation where  $\mu_m = 0.5h^{-1}$  and  $K_s = 2$  g/l
- a) In continuous perfectly mixed vessel at steady state with no cell death if  $S_0 = 50$  g/l and  $Y_{x/s} = 1$  (g cells/g substrate), what dilution rate  $D$  will give the maximum total rate of cell production?
- b) For the same value of  $D$  using tanks of the same size, what is concentration of cell biomass and substrate concentration in first and second vessels? (10)



- 6) Enzymatic isomerization glucose to fructose can be expressed by reaction mechanism:



Which is kinetically analysis by steady state leads to rate expression:

$$-\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{\left(\frac{V_{m,s}}{K_{m,s}}\right)S - \left(\frac{V_{m,p}}{K_p}\right)P}{1 + \frac{S}{K_{m,s}} + \frac{P}{K_p}}$$

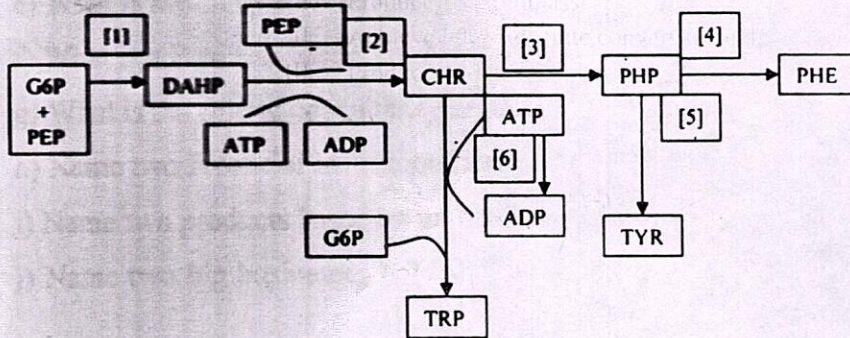
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The kinetic parameter is:

$$\frac{r_{max}}{K_{ms}} = 0.128, \quad \frac{r_{max}}{K_p} = 0.098, \quad \frac{1}{K_{ms}} = 0.383, \quad \frac{1}{K_p} = 0.25$$

If the feed (glucose) concentration is 1.0 kg mole/liter and desired conversion is 40%. Compare the productivity in above rate expression in CSTR & FPR. (10)

7. a) The metabolic pathway for aromatic amino acid synthesis is given bellow; identify the substrates, products, intermediates. Construct the stoichiometric model and develop the matrix form.



The simplified metabolic pathway for aromatic amino acid synthesis by *S.cerevisiae*.

The chemical species are G6P = glucose-6-phosphate, PEP = phosphoenol pyruvate, DHAP= 3-deoxy-D-arabinoheptulosonate-7-phosphate, CHR = chroismatee, PHP = prephanate, PHE= phylalanin, TYR = tyrosin, TRP = tryptophan.

- b) The *Zymomonas mobilis* used to convert glucose to ethanol in batch fermenter under anaerobic conditions. The yield of biomass from substrate is  $0.06 \text{ g g}^{-1}$ , specific rate of product formation is  $3.4 \text{ h}^{-1}$ , and maximum specific growth rate of *Zymomonas mobilis* is approximately  $0.3 \text{ h}^{-1}$ . 5 g bacteria are inoculated into 50 liters of medium containing  $12 \text{ gL}^{-1}$ . Determine the batch culture time required to

- I. Produce 15 g biomass
- II. Achieve 90% substrate conversion and
- III. Produce 100 g ethanol.

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