

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

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

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- 1) Write briefly: (2×5=10)
- Fermentation media.
  - Sterilization.
  - Precipitation.
  - Yield coefficients.
  - Upstream and downstream.

SECTION - A

- 2) Briefly discuss:
- Centrifugation and design of centrifuge.
  - Filtration and different types of filters. (5, 5)
- 3) Discuss the various methods of cell disruption with suitable examples. (10)
- 4.A) In a fermentation process producing baker's yeast, the biomass is separated using a continuous centrifuge, operating at 5000 rpm with a feed rate of 90 L/min. The solid particles may be assumed to have an average diameter of 0.05 mm. The density of the biomass is 1010 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. The fluid may be assumed to have properties of water. Find the sigma factor for the centrifuge.
- B) Briefly discuss about electrophoresis? (6, 4)

SECTION - B

- 5) Write a critical review on "Energy production or green chemical from biomass". (10)
- 6) Suppose you have a microorganism that obeys the Monod equation:

$$\frac{dC_x}{dt} = \frac{\mu_{max} C_s C_x}{K_s + C_s}$$

where  $\mu_{max} = 0.7 \text{ hr}^{-1}$  and  $K_s = 5 \text{ g/L}$ . The Cell yield ( $Y_{x/s}$ ) is 0.65. You want to cultivate this microorganism in either one reactor or two in series. The flow rate and Substrate concentration of the inlet stream should be 500 L/hr and 85 g/L, respectively. The substrate concentration of the outlet stream must be 5 g/L.

- If you use one CSTR, what should be the size of the Reactor? What is the cell concentration of the outlet stream?
  - If you use two CSTR in series, what size of the two Reactors will be most productive? (10)
- 7.A) Discuss the bioreactor modeling of batch, fed batch and CSTR with cell mass, substrate and product balance. Explain merit and demerit of Batch, CSTR and fed batch reactor. (6)

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- B) The specific growth rate for inhibited growth in chemostat is given by the following equation:

$$\mu = \frac{\mu_{\max} S}{K_s + S + \frac{I K_s}{K_I}}$$

Where  $\mu_{\max} = 0.5 \text{ hr}^{-1}$  and  $K_s = 1.0 \text{ g/L}$ ,  $I = 0.05 \text{ g/L}$ ,  $Y_{x/s} = 0.1 \text{ (g cells/g substrate)}$ ,  $K_I = 0.01 \text{ g/L}$ ,  $S_0 = 10 \text{ g/L}$ ,  $X_0 = 0$

- Determine Cell mass (X) and substrate concentration as a function of D when  $I=0$
- With inhibitor added to a chemostat determine Cell mass (X) and substrate concentration as a function of D.
- Determine Cell Productivity (DX) as a function of D. (4)

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