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M.Tech.
(SEM I) ODD SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2015-16
PRINCIPLES OF BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING

[Time: 3 hrs.]

[Max. Marks: 100]

Note- Attempt All Questions. All Questions carry equal marks:-

1. Answer any **FOUR** of the following questions. (5x4 = 20)
 - (a) Describe dimensional variables.
 - (b) Explain Newtonian & Non-Newtonian fluid.
 - (c) Discuss the viscosity for Newtonian fluids and apparent viscosity for Non-Newtonian fluids.
 - (d) Describe Pascal law.
 - (e) Explain two-film theory.
 - (f) Explain Michaelis-Menten kinetics.
 - (g) Describe regulation of enzyme activity.
2. Answer any **TWO** of the following questions. (10x2 = 20)
 - (a) Chemically defined media and complex media.
 - (b) Differentiate between selective media and differential media and also describe various method of sterilization.
 - (c) Explain the diffusion theory of mass transfer.
3. Answer any **TWO** of the following questions. (10x2 = 20)
 - (a) Define cell mass balance equation with the help of example.
 - (b) Explain various equipments and methods of heat transfer.
 - (c) Derive an expression for ideal chemostat.
4. Answer any **TWO** of the following questions. (10x2 = 20)
 - (a) Depending on culture conditions, $C_6H_{12}O_6$ can be catabolized by yeast to produce C_2H_5OH and CO_2 or can be delivered into other biosynthetic reactions. An inoculum of yeast is added to a solution containing 10 g/L of $C_6H_{12}O_6$. After sometime only 1 g/L of $C_6H_{12}O_6$ remains while the concentration of C_2H_5OH is 3.2 g/L. Determine:-
 - (i) Fractional conversion of $C_6H_{12}O_6$ to C_2H_5OH
 - (ii) Yield of C_2H_5OH from $C_6H_{12}O_6$
 - (b) Define LMTD in heat transfer operation. Also draw the neat sketch of 1-2 shell and tube heat exchanger.
 - (c) Corn steep liquor contains 2.5% invert sugars and 50% water; the rest can be considered solids. Beet molasses containing 50% sucrose, 1% invert sugars, 18% water and the remainder solids is mixed with corn-steep liquor in a mixing tank. Water is added to produce a diluted sugar mixture containing 2% (w/w) invert sugars, 125 kg corn steep liquor and 45 kg molasses are fed into the tank.
 - (i) How much water is required?
 - (ii) What is the concentration of sucrose in the final mixture?
5. Answer any **TWO** of the following questions. (10x2 = 20)
 - (a) A bioreactor (volume = 150 m^3) is operated at $35\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. The rate of O_2 intake is $1.5\text{ kgm}^{-3}\text{h}^{-1}$, the agitator dissipates heat at a rate of 1 kWm^{-3} . Cooling water (16.7 kg/s) having temperature $10\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, is passed through an internal coil in the fermentation tank. If the system operates at steady state, what is the exit temperature of the cooling water?
 - (b) A furnace wall is constructed of firebrick 15 cm thick. The temperature inside the wall is $700\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; the temperature outside is $80\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. If the thermal conductivity of the brick under these conditions is $0.3\text{ Wm}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$, what is the rate of heat loss through 1.5 m^2 of wall surface?
 - (c) A strain of *Azotobacter vinelandii* is cultured in a 15 m^3 stirred fermenter for alginate production. Under current operating conditions k_La is 0.17 s^{-1} . Oxygen solubility in the broth is approximately $8 \times 10^{-3}\text{ kg m}^{-3}$.
 - (i) The specific rate of oxygen uptake is $12.5\text{ mmol g}^{-1}\text{h}^{-1}$. What is the maximum possible cell concentration?
 - (ii) The bacteria suffer growth inhibition after copper sulphate is accidentally added to the fermentation broth. This causes a reduction in oxygen uptake rate to $3\text{ mmol g}^{-1}\text{h}^{-1}$. What maximum cell concentration can now be supported by the fermenter?