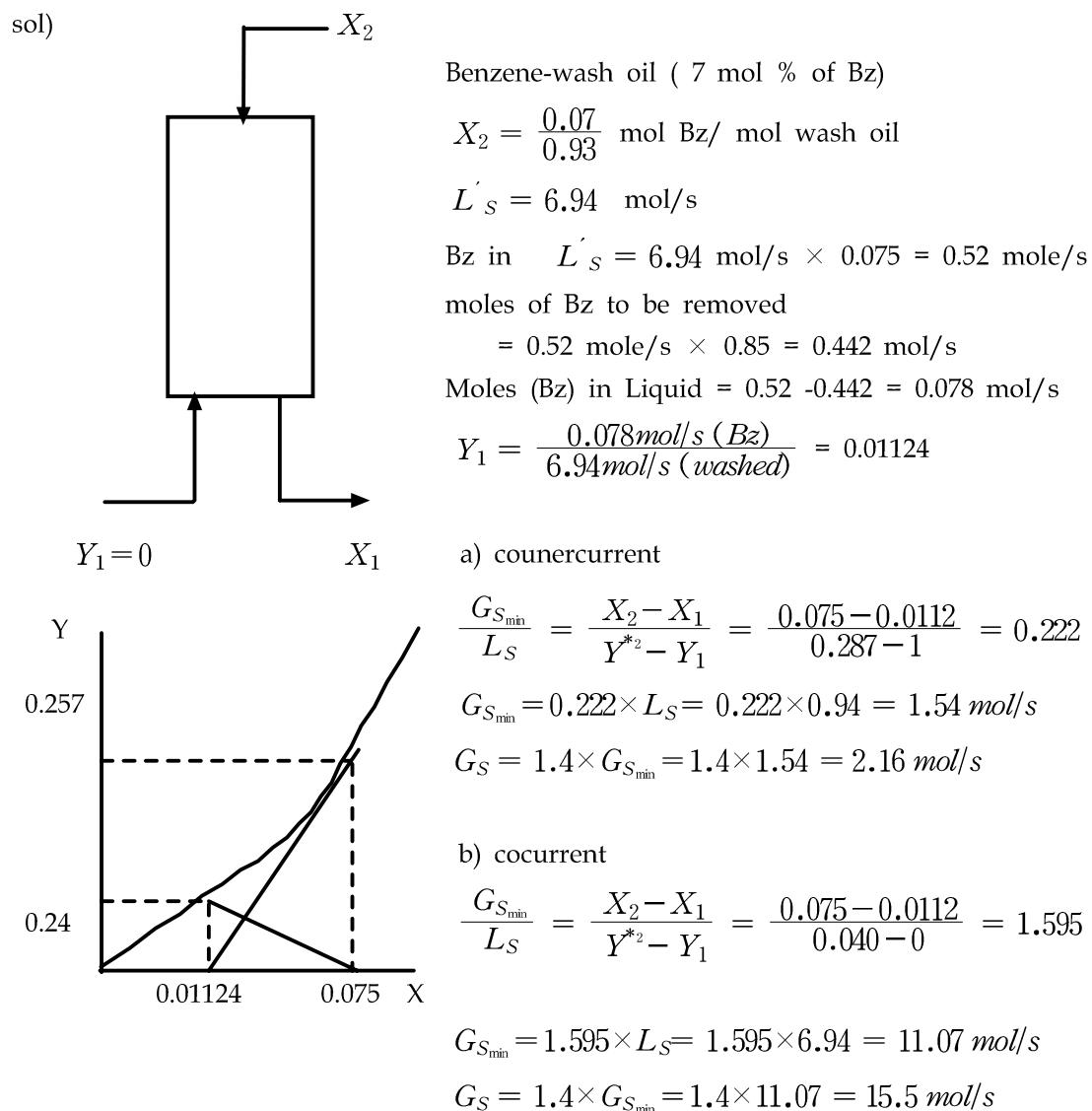


1. Benzene freed from coal gas in a scrubber is recovered by passing the benzene-wash oil solution through a tower in this stream. The entering liquid stream contains 7 mole% benzene and the stream is benzene-free. It is desired to recover 85% of the benzene by using a stream rate 1.4 times minimum stream rate. A wash-oil (liquid solvent-benzene free) flow rate of 6.94 mole/s will be used. Determine the required moles of stream per second if
- a countercurrent tower is used:
  - a cocurrent tower is used.

Equilibrium data for the benzene-wash-oil-stream system are as follows:

$X \frac{\text{mole benzene}}{\text{mole wash oil}}$	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.12	0.14
$Y \frac{\text{mole benzene}}{\text{mole steam}}$	0.00	0.07	0.14	0.22	0.31	0.405	0.515	0.65



2. A tower, packed with 25-mm Intralox saddles, is to be designed for stripping trichloroethylene,  $C_2HCl_3$ , from a contaminated groundwater stream. A volumetric stream of  $0.0436\text{m}^3/\text{s}$  is to be fed to the top of the tower which will operate at 288K and  $1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ . A  $0.237 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  air stream, flowing countercurrent to the aqueous stream, is to reduce the TCE concentration from  $50 \mu\text{g/liter}$  to  $5 \mu\text{g/liter}$ . Under the stated flow conditions, the overall liquid-capacity coefficient,  $K_{La}$ , will be equal to 0.016

$$\frac{\text{mole}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s} \cdot (\text{mole}/\text{m}^3)} \cdot \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{m}^3} = 0.16\text{s}^{-1}$$

At 288 K, Henry's law constant for the TCE air system is  $11.7 \times 10^3 \text{ atm}/(\text{mole}/\text{m}^3)$ .

Determine

- (a) the partial pressure of TCE in the exiting air stream;
- (b) the height of the packing required for the stripping operation.

Stripping  $C_2HCl_3$  from con

$$C_{A2} = \frac{50\mu\text{g}}{\text{l}} \times \frac{1000\text{l}}{\text{m}^3} \times \frac{\text{mole}}{131.5\text{g}} = 3.8 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$C_{A1} = \frac{5\mu\text{g}}{\text{l}} = 3.8 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$y_{A1} = 0$$

$$G' = \frac{\rho v}{RT} = \frac{1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}}{8.314 \frac{\text{Pa m}^3}{\text{mole K}}} \times \frac{0.237 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}}{288\text{K}} = 10.0 \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{s}}$$

$$L' ( C_{A2} - C_{A1} ) = G' ( y_{A2} - y_A )$$

$$0.0436 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}} (3.8 \times 10^{-4} - 3.8 \times 10^{-5}) = 10 \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{s}} (y_{A2} - 0) \quad (....)$$

$$y_{A2} = 1.49 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$P_{T2} = y_{A2} P = 1.49 \times 10^{-6} \text{ atm} = 0.151 \text{ Pa}$$

$$Z = \frac{L'}{K_{La}} \frac{(C_{A2} - C_{A1})}{\ln \frac{y_A}{y_{A2}}} (C_A - C_A^*)$$

at ad2

$$P_{A2} = 1.49 \times 10^{-6} \text{ atm}$$

$$C_{A2} = \frac{P_{A2}}{H} = \frac{1.49 \times 10^{-6}}{11.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ atm/mole}} = 1.27 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mole/m}^3$$

$$(C_A - C_A^*)_2 = 3.8 \times 10^{-4} - 1.27 \times 10^{-4} = 2.53 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mole/m}^3$$

at ad1

$$(C_A - C_A^*) = 3.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mole/m}^3$$

$$(C_A - C_A^*)_{\ln} = \frac{3 \times 10^{-4} - 3.8 \times 10^{-5}}{\ln[\frac{2.53 \times 10^{-4}}{3.8 \times 10^{-4}}]} = 1.13 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mole/m}^3$$

$$A = \frac{\pi D^4}{4} = \frac{\pi \times (1.26m)^2}{4} = 1.247 m^2$$

$$L' = \frac{0.0436 m^3/s}{1.247 m^2} = 0.035 m/s$$

$$Z = \frac{L'}{K_{La}} \frac{(C_{A2} - C_{A1})}{\ln(C_A - C_A^*)} = \frac{0.035}{0.016} \times \frac{(3.8 \times 10^{-4} - 9.8 \times 10^{-5})}{1.13 \times 10^{-4}} = 6.6 m$$

$$\therefore Z = 6.6 m$$

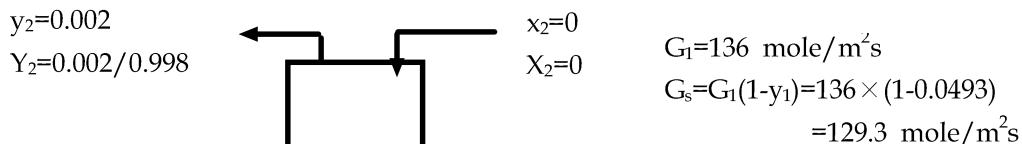
3. An absorber, packed to the height of 10 m, is being used by an industrial company as a gas scrubber. A dilute air-ammonia mixture, containing 4.93% NH<sub>3</sub>, is drawn through the  $\frac{\text{mole}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}}$  and the inlet NH<sub>3</sub>-free water rate provides an actual L<sub>s</sub>/G<sub>s</sub> ratio that is 1.4 times the minimum L<sub>s</sub>/G<sub>s</sub> ratio. At the temperature and pressure of the absorber, the equilibrium concentrations are related by

$$y_{\text{NH}_3} = 1.075x_{\text{NH}_3}$$

If the exiting gas stream contains 0.2% ammonia, determine

- (a) the kg of ammonia absorbed per second per square meters of cross-sectional area;
- (b) the composition of the exiting liquid stream;
- (c) the overall mass-transfer capacity coefficient, K<sub>Y</sub>a,  $\frac{\text{mole}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s} \cdot \Delta Y_A}$

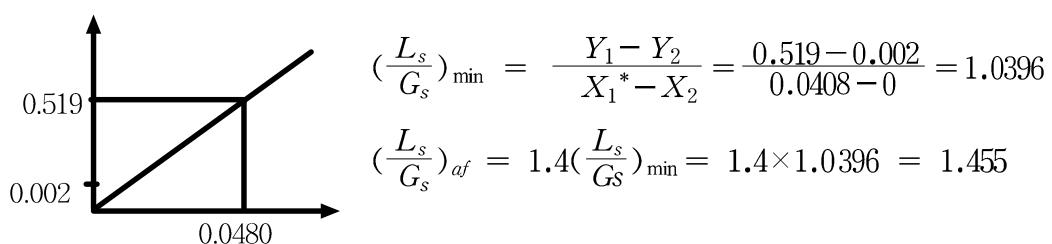
packed absorber 10m ; gas scrubber



$$\begin{aligned} Y &= y/(1-y) = 0.593/0.9507 \\ &= 0.0519 \end{aligned}$$

Equilibrium :  $y=1.075x$   
 $Y=y/(1-y), \quad X=x/(1-x)$

X	0	0.005	0.0101	0.0204	0.0309	0.0417	0.0526
x	0	0.005	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
y	0	0.0054	0.108	0.0215	0.0323	0.0430	0.0538
Y	0	0.0054	0.0109	0.0220	0.0333	0.0449	0.0568



$$\left(\frac{L_s}{G_s}\right)_{af} = 1.455 = \frac{Y_1 - Y_2}{X_1 - X_2} = \frac{0.0519 - 0.002}{X_1 - 0} \quad \therefore X_1 = 0.0343$$

$$x_1 = \frac{X_1}{1 + X_1} = \frac{0.0343}{1.0343} = 0.033 \quad \therefore 3.3\%$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \frac{\text{Moles } NH_3 \text{ absorbed}}{m^2 \cdot s} &= G_s(Y_1 - Y_2) \\ &= 129.3 \frac{\text{moles}}{m^2 \cdot s} \times (0.0519 - 0.002) \\ &= 6.45 \frac{\text{moles}}{m^2 \cdot s} = 6.45 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\text{kgmole}}{m^2 \cdot s} \end{aligned}$$

$Y_{AG}$	$Y_A^*$	$Y_{AG} - Y_A^*$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AG} - Y_A^*}$
0.002	0.0	0.002	500
0.010	0.0057	0.0043	232.56
0.015	0.0095	0.0055	181.82
0.020	0.0132	0.0068	147.0
0.025	0.0170	0.0080	125.0
0.030	0.0268	0.0092	108.7
0.035	0.0247	0.0103	97.1
0.040	0.0284	0.0116	86.21
0.045	0.0321	0.0129	77.52
0.050	0.0358	0.0142	70.42
0.0519	0.0372	0.0147	68.03

