

# Lecture 13

**Chemical Reaction Engineering (CRE)** is the field that studies the rates and mechanisms of chemical reactions and the design of the reactors in which they take place.

# Lecture 13 – Tuesday

- Complex Reactions:



- Example A: Liquid Phase PFR
- Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR
- Example C: Gas Phase PFR
- Example D: Gas Phase Membrane Reactors
  - Sweep Gas Concentration Essentially Zero
  - Sweep Gas Concentration Increases with Distance
- Example E: Semibatch Reactor

# Gas Phase

## Multiple Reactions



**Number all reactions**

**Mole balances:**

Mole balance on each and every species

$$\text{PFR} \quad \frac{dF_j}{dV} = r_j$$

$$\text{CSTR} \quad F_{j0} - F_j = -r_j V$$

$$\text{Batch} \quad \frac{dN_j}{dt} = r_j V$$

$$\text{Membrane ("i" diffuses in)} \quad \frac{dF_i}{dV} = r_i + R_i$$

$$\text{Liquid-semibatch} \quad \frac{dC_j}{dt} = r_j + \frac{v_0(C_{j0} - C_j)}{V}$$

**Rates:**

$$\text{Laws} \quad r_{ij} = k_{ij} f_i(C_j, C_n)$$

$$\text{Relative rates} \quad \frac{r_{iA}}{-a_i} = \frac{r_{iB}}{-b_i} = \frac{r_{iC}}{c_i} = \frac{r_{iD}}{d_i}$$

$$\text{Net rates} \quad r_j = \sum_{i=1}^q r_{ij}$$

**Stoichiometry:**

*Gas phase*

$$C_j = C_{T0} \frac{F_j P T_0}{F_T P_0 T} = C_{T0} \frac{F_j T_0}{F_T T} y$$

$$y = \frac{P}{P_0}$$

$$F_T = \sum_{j=1}^n F_j$$

$$\frac{dy}{dW} = -\frac{\alpha}{2y} \left( \frac{F_T}{F_{T0}} \right) \frac{T}{T_0}$$

*Liquid phase*

$$v = v_0$$

$$C_A, C_B, \dots$$

**Combine:**

Polymath will combine all the equations for you. Thank you, :

# New things for multiple reactions are:

1. Number Every Reaction
2. **Mole Balance** on every species
3. **Rate Laws**

(a) Net **Rates** of Reaction for every species

$$r_A = \sum_{i=1}^N r_{iA}$$

(b) **Rate** Laws for every reaction

$$r_{1A} = -k_{1A} C_A C_B^2$$

$$r_{2C} = -k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

(c) Relative **Rates** of Reaction for every reaction

For a given reaction i: (i)  $a_i A + b_i B \rightarrow c_i C + d_i D$ :

$$\frac{r_{iA}}{-a_i} = \frac{r_{iB}}{-b_i} = \frac{r_{iC}}{c_i} = \frac{r_{iD}}{d_i}$$

# Reactor **Mole Balance** Summary

Reactor Type

Gas Phase

Liquid Phase

Batch

$$\frac{dN_A}{dt} = r_A V$$

$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} = r_A$$

Semibatch

$$\frac{dN_A}{dt} = r_A V$$

$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} = r_A - \frac{\nu_0 C_A}{V}$$

$$\frac{dN_B}{dt} = r_B V + F_{B0}$$

$$\frac{dC_B}{dt} = r_B + \frac{\nu_0 [C_{B0} - C_B]}{V}$$

# Reactor **Mole Balance** Summary

Reactor Type

Gas Phase

Liquid Phase

CSTR

$$V = \frac{F_{A0} - F_A}{-r_A}$$

$$V = v_0 \frac{(C_{A0} - C_A)}{-r_A}$$

PFR

$$\frac{dF_A}{dV} = r_A$$

$$v_0 \frac{dC_A}{dV} = r_A$$

PBR

$$\frac{dF_A}{dW} = r'_A$$

$$v_0 \frac{dC_A}{dW} = r'_A$$

**Note:** The reaction **rates** in the above **mole balances** are net rates.

← Batch



$$C_B = \frac{N_B}{V}$$

$$V = V_0 \frac{N_T}{N_{T0}} \frac{P_0}{P} \frac{T_0}{T}$$

$$C_B = \frac{N_B}{N_T} \frac{N_{T0}}{V_0} \frac{P}{P_0} \frac{T_0}{T}$$

$$C_B = C_{T0} \frac{N_B}{N_T} \frac{P}{P_0} \frac{T_0}{T}$$

Flow →



$$C_B = \frac{F_B}{\nu}$$

$$\nu = \nu_0 \frac{F_T}{F_{T0}} \frac{P_0}{P} \frac{T_0}{T}$$

$$C_B = \frac{F_B}{F_T} \frac{F_{T0}}{\nu_0} \frac{P}{P_0} \frac{T_0}{T}$$

$$C_B = C_{T0} \frac{F_B}{F_T} \frac{P}{P_0} \frac{T_0}{T}$$

# Stoichiometry

Concentration of Gas:

$$C_A = C_{T0} \left( \frac{F_A}{F_T} \right) y \left( \frac{T_0}{T} \right) \quad F_T = F_A + F_B + F_C + F_D$$

Note: We could use the gas phase mole balances for **liquids** and then just express the concentration as:

Flow:  $C_A = \frac{F_A}{v_0}$

Batch:  $C_A = \frac{N_A}{V_0}$



## Example A: Liquid Phase PFR

The complex liquid phase reactions follow elementary rate laws:



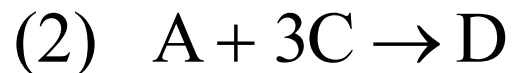
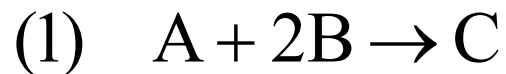
NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{1A}$  is defined with respect to species A.



NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{2C}$  is defined with respect to species C.

# Example A: Liquid Phase PFR

## Complex Reactions



**1) Mole Balance** on each and every species

$$(1) \quad \frac{dF_A}{dV} = r_A$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{dF_B}{dV} = r_B$$

$$(3) \quad \frac{dF_C}{dV} = r_C$$

$$(4) \quad \frac{dF_D}{dV} = r_D$$

# Example A: Liquid Phase PFR

## 2) Rate Laws:

**Net Rates**      (5)  $r_A = r_{1A} + r_{2A}$       (7)  $r_B = r_{1B} + r_{2B}$

(6)  $r_C = r_{1C} + r_{2C}$       (8)  $r_D = 0 + r_{2D}$

**Rate Laws**      (9)  $r_{1A} = -k_{1A} C_A C_B^2$

(10)  $r_{2C} = -k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$

**Relative Rates**       $\frac{r_{1A}}{-1} = \frac{r_{1B}}{-2} = \frac{r_{1C}}{1}$   
Reaction 1

(11)  $r_{1B} = 2r_{1A}$

(12)  $r_{1C} = -r_{1A}$

# Example A: Liquid Phase PFR

**Relative Rates**

Reaction 2

$$\frac{r_{2A}}{-2} = \frac{r_{2C}}{-3} = \frac{r_{2D}}{1}$$

$$(13) \quad r_{2A} = \frac{2}{3} r_{2C}$$

$$(14) \quad r_{2D} = -\frac{r_{2C}}{3}$$

$$r_A = -k_{1A} C_A C_B^2 - \frac{2}{3} k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

$$r_B = -2k_{1A} C_A C_B^2$$

$$r_C = k_{1A} C_A C_B - k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

$$r_D = \frac{k_{2C}}{3} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

# Example A: Liquid Phase PFR

## 3) Stoichiometry

Liquid

$$(15) C_A = F_A / \nu_0$$

$$(16) C_B = F_B / \nu_0$$

$$(17) C_C = F_C / \nu_0$$

$$(18) C_D = F_D / \nu_0$$

$$(19) \tilde{S}_{C/D} = \text{if } (V > 0.00001) \text{ then } \left( \frac{F_C}{F_D} \right) \text{ else } 0$$

# Example A: Liquid Phase PFR

Others

$F_T = \text{Liquid} - \text{Not Needed}$

(19)  $\alpha = \text{Liquid} - \text{Not Needed}$

(20)  $C_{T0} = \text{Liquid} - \text{Not Needed}$

4) Parameters

(21)  $k_{1A} = 10$

(22)  $k_{2C} = 20$

(23)  $\alpha = \text{Liquid}$

(24)  $C_{T0} = \text{Liquid}$

(25)  $V_f = 2500$

(26)  $F_{A0} = 200$

(28)  $F_{B0} = 200$

(26)  $\nu_0 = 100$

## Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR

Same reactions, rate laws, and rate constants as Example A



NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{1A}$  is defined with respect to species A.



NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{2C}$  is defined with respect to species C.

## Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR

The complex liquid phase reactions take place in a 2,500 dm<sup>3</sup> CSTR. The feed is equal molar in A and B with  $F_{A0}=200$  mol/min, the volumetric flow rate is 100 dm<sup>3</sup>/min and the reaction volume is 50 dm<sup>3</sup>.

Find the concentrations of A, B, C and D existing in the reactor along with the existing selectivity.

Plot  $F_A$ ,  $F_B$ ,  $F_C$ ,  $F_D$  and  $S_{C/D}$  as a function of  $V$



## Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR



$$r_{1A} = -k_{1A} C_A C_B^2$$

$$r_{2C} = -k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

### 1) Mole Balance

$$(1) \quad A \quad v_0 C_{A0} - v_0 C_A + r_A V = 0$$

$$(2) \quad B \quad v_0 C_{B0} - v_0 C_B + r_B V = 0$$

$$(3) \quad C \quad 0 - v_0 C_C + r_C V = 0$$

$$(4) \quad D \quad 0 - v_0 C_D + r_D V = 0$$

## Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR

2) Rate Laws: (5)-(14) same as PFR

3) Stoichiometry: (15)-(18)  
same as Liquid Phase PFR

$$(19) S_{C/D} = \frac{F_C}{F_D + 0.0001} = \frac{\nu_0 C_C}{\nu_0 C_D + 0.0001}$$

4) Parameters:

$$k_{1A}, k_{2C}, C_{A0}, C_{B0}, V, \nu_0$$

# Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR

In terms of molar flow rates



$$r_{1A} = -k_{1A} C_A C_B^2$$

$$r_{2C} = -k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

**1) Mole Balance (1–4)**

**2) Rates (5–14)**

**3) Stoichiometry: (15–19)**

$$(1) f(F_A) = F_{A0} - F_A + r_A V (=0)$$

Same as  
Example A

$$(15) C_A = F_A / \nu_0$$

$$(2) f(F_B) = F_{B0} - F_B + r_B V (=0)$$

$$(16) C_B = F_B / \nu_0$$

$$(3) f(F_C) = 0 - F_C + r_C V (=0)$$

$$(17) C_C = F_C / \nu_0$$

$$(4) f(F_D) = 0 - F_D + r_D V (=0)$$

$$(18) C_D = F_D / \nu_0$$

$$(19) S_{C/D} = \frac{F_C}{F_D + 0.00001}$$

# Example B: Liquid Phase CSTR

In terms of concentration



$$r_{1A} = -k_{1A} C_A C_B^2$$

$$r_{2C} = -k_{2C} C_A^2 C_C^3$$

## 1) Mole Balance (1–4)

$$(1) f(C_A) = \nu_0 C_{A0} - \nu_0 C_A + r_A V \quad (=0)$$

$$(2) f(C_B) = \nu_0 C_{B0} - \nu_0 C_B + r_B V \quad (=0)$$

$$(3) f(C_C) = 0 - \nu_0 C_C + r_C V \quad (=0)$$

$$(4) f(C_D) = 0 - \nu_0 C_D + r_D V \quad (=0)$$

## 2) Rates (5–14)

Same as  
Example A

## 3) Stoichiometry: (15–19)

$$(15) S_{C/D} = \frac{F_C}{F_D + 0.00001}$$

## Example C: Gas Phase PFR, No $\Delta P$

Same reactions, rate laws, and rate constants as Example A:



NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{1A}$  is defined with respect to species A.



NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{2C}$  is defined with respect to species C.

# Example C: Gas Phase PFR, No $\Delta P$

## 1) Mole Balance

$$(1) \quad \frac{dF_A}{dV} = r_A$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{dF_B}{dV} = r_B$$

$$(3) \quad \frac{dF_C}{dV} = r_C$$

$$(4) \quad \frac{dF_D}{dV} = r_D$$



**2) Rate Laws:** (5)-(14) same as **CSTR**

## Example C: Gas Phase PFR, No $\Delta P$

### 3) Stoichiometry:

Gas: Isothermal  $T = T_0$

$$(15) C_A = C_{T0} \frac{F_A}{F_T} y \quad (16) C_B = C_{T0} \frac{F_B}{F_T} y$$

$$(17) C_C = C_{T0} \frac{F_C}{F_T} y \quad (18) C_D = C_{T0} \frac{F_D}{F_T} y$$

$$(19) F_T = F_A + F_B + F_C + F_D$$

Packed Bed with Pressure Drop

$$\frac{dy}{dW} = -\frac{\alpha}{2y} \left( \frac{F_T}{F_{T0}} \right) \left( \frac{T}{T_0} \right) = -\frac{\alpha}{2y} \frac{F_T}{F_{T0}}$$

# Example C: Gas Phase PFR, No $\Delta P$

## 4) Selectivity

$$S = \frac{F_C}{F_D} = \text{if } (V > 0.00001) \text{ then } \left( \frac{F_C}{F_D} \right) \text{ else } (0) \quad (20)$$

$$y = 1 \quad (21)$$



## Example D: Membrane Reactor with $\Delta P$

Same reactions, **rate laws**, and **rate** constants as Example A:



NOTE: The specific reaction **rate**  $k_{1A}$  is defined with respect to species A.



NOTE: The specific reaction **rate**  $k_{2C}$  is defined with respect to species C.

## Example D: Membrane Reactor with $\Delta P$

Because the smallest molecule, and the one with the lowest molecular weight, is the one diffusing out, we will neglect the changes in the mass flow rate down the reactor and will take as first approximation:  $\dot{m}_0 = \dot{m}$

### 1) Mole Balances

$$A \quad \frac{dF_A}{dV} = r_A \quad (1) \quad C \quad \frac{dF_C}{dV} = r_C - R_C \quad (3)$$

$$B \quad \frac{dF_B}{dV} = r_B \quad (2) \quad D \quad \frac{dF_D}{dV} = r_D \quad (4)$$

We also need to account for the molar rate of desired product C leaving in the sweep gas  $F_{Csg}$

$$\frac{dF_{Csg}}{dV} = R_C$$

## Example D: Membrane Reactor with $\Delta P$

We need to reconsider our **pressure drop** equation.

When mass diffuses out of a membrane reactor there will be a decrease in the superficial mass flow rate,  $G$ . To account for this decrease when calculating our **pressure drop** parameter, we will take the ratio of the superficial mass velocity at any point in the reactor to the superficial mass velocity at the entrance to the reactor.

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 \frac{G}{G_0} = \alpha_0 \left[ \frac{\sum F_i \cdot MW_i}{\sum F_{i0} \cdot MW_i} \right]$$

## Example D: Membrane Reactor with $\Delta P$

The superficial mass flow rates can be obtained by multiplying the species molar flow rates,  $F_i$ , by their respective molecular weights,  $MW_i$ , and then summing over all species:

$$\frac{G}{G_0} = \frac{m/A_{C_1}}{m_0/A_{C_1}} = \frac{\sum F_i \cdot (MW_i)/A_{C_1}}{\sum F_{i0} \cdot (MW_i)/A_{C_1}} = \frac{\sum F_i (MW_i)}{\sum F_{i0} (MW_i)}$$

# Example D: Membrane Reactor with $\Delta P$

**2) Rate Laws:** (5)-(14) same as Examples A, B, and C.

**3) Stoichiometry:** (15)-(20) same as Examples A and B

$$(T=T_0)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dW} = -\frac{\alpha}{2y} \frac{F_T}{F_{T0}} \qquad \frac{dy}{dV} = -\frac{\rho\alpha}{2y} \frac{F_T}{F_{T0}} \quad (21)$$

$$R_C = k_C (C_C - C_{CSweep})$$

**4) Sweep Gas Balance:**

$$F_{Csg} \Big|_V - F_{Csg} \Big|_{V+\Delta V} + R_C \Delta V = 0$$

$$\frac{dF_{Csg}}{dV} = R_C$$

## Example E: Liquid Phase Semibatch

Same reactions, rate laws, and rate constants as Example A:



NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{1A}$  is defined with respect to species A.



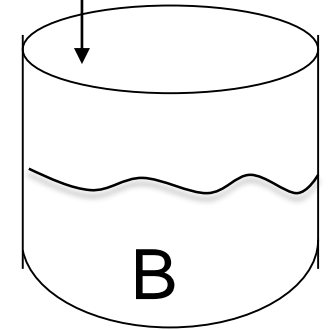
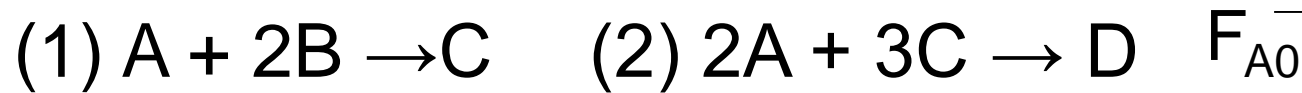
NOTE: The specific reaction rate  $k_{2C}$  is defined with respect to species C.

## Example E: Liquid Phase Semibatch

The complex liquid phase reactions take place in a semibatch reactor where A is fed to B with  $F_{A0} = 3$  mol/min. The volumetric flow rate is 10 dm<sup>3</sup>/min and the initial reactor volume is 1,000 dm<sup>3</sup>.

The maximum volume is 2,000 dm<sup>3</sup> and  $C_{A0} = 0.3$  mol/dm<sup>3</sup> and  $C_{B0} = 0.2$  mol/dm<sup>3</sup>. Plot  $C_A$ ,  $C_B$ ,  $C_C$ ,  $C_D$  and  $S_{S/D}$  as a function of time.

# Example E: Liquid Phase Semibatch



## 1) Mole Balances:

$$\frac{dN_A}{dt} = r_A V + F_{A0}$$

$$N_{A0} = 0$$

$$\frac{dN_B}{dt} = r_B V$$

$$N_{B0} = C_{B0} V_0 = 2.000$$

$$\frac{dN_C}{dt} = r_C V$$

$$N_{C0} = 0$$

$$\frac{dN_D}{dt} = r_D V$$

$$N_{D0} = 0$$



# Example E: Liquid Phase Semibatch

## 2) Rate Laws: (5)-(14)

Net Rate, Rate Laws and relative rate – are the same as Liquid and Gas Phase PFR and Liquid Phase CSTR

$$V = V_0 + v_0 t \quad (15)$$

$$C_A = \frac{N_A}{V} \quad (16) \quad C_B = \frac{N_B}{V} \quad (17)$$

$$C_C = \frac{N_C}{V} \quad (18) \quad C_D = \frac{N_D}{V} \quad (19)$$

## 3) Selectivity and Parameters:

$$S_{C/D} = \text{if } (t > 0.0001) \text{ then } \left( \frac{N_C}{N_D} \right) \text{ else } (0) \quad (20)$$

$$v_0 = 10 \text{ dm}^3/\text{min} \quad V_0 = 100 \text{ dm}^3 \quad F_{A0} = 3 \text{ mol}/\text{min}$$

# End of Lecture 13