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**PhD Entrance Test – 2026**  
**SECTION-II: Chemical Engineering - 35 Marks**

**Topics covered**

**Engineering Mathematics**

Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra, Systems of linear equations, Eigen values and eigenvectors; Calculus: Functions of single variable, Limit, continuity and differentiability, Taylor series, Mean value theorems, Evaluation of definite and improper integrals, Partial derivatives, Total derivative, Maxima and minima; Numerical methods for Chemical Engineering: Roots of polynomial equation, curve fitting, interpolation; Numerical differentiation and integration: Differentiation by Euler's, Runge Kutta, Milne' Predictor method, Integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rule. Single and multi-step methods for numerical solution of differential equations.

**Process Calculation and Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics**

**Process Calculations:** Basic Chemical Calculations; Energy balance; Material balance; recycle, bypass and purge calculations.

**Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics:** First and Second laws of thermodynamics: Applications of first law to close and open systems, second law and entropy; Thermodynamic properties of pure substances: Equation of state and residual properties; Properties of mixtures: Partial molar properties, fugacity, excess properties and activity coefficients; Phase equilibria: predicting VLE of systems, thermodynamic consistency of experimental equilibrium data; Chemical reaction equilibrium, Introduction to molecular thermodynamics of fluid phase equilibrium.

**Transport Processes**

**Fluid Flow Operations:** Fluid Statics; Newtonian and non-Newtonian fluid behavior; Flow of incompressible fluids in pipe: friction factor, Hagen Poisuille equation; Flow of compressible fluids: Processes of compressible flow, adiabatic frictional flow, isothermal frictional flow; Flow past immersed bodies: drag and drag coefficient, Kozeny-Carman equation, motion of particles through fluids, Fluidization: Conditions for fluidization, minimum fluidization velocity, applications of fluidization; Two phase flow: Gas/liquid, liquid/liquid and gas/solid flow, flow types and regimes in horizontal and vertical flow, regime map, behavior of non-Newtonian fluids in two phase flow.

**Heat Transfer and Mass Transfer:** Basic modes of heat transfer: Conduction, convection, radiation; Heat exchangers and evaporators: Design of double pipe, shell and tube heat exchangers, and single and multiple effect evaporators; boiling, condensation. Fick's law of diffusion and mass transfer theories; Heat mass and Momentum analogies; HTU and NTU concept; Process design concepts of

mass transfer equipments: distillation, absorption, leaching, liquid-liquid extraction, drying, humidification, dehumidification, and adsorption.

### **Chemical Reaction Engineering and Process Dynamic and Control**

**Chemical Reaction Engineering:** Kinetics of homogeneous reactions, interpretation of kinetic data, single and multiple reactions in ideal reactors, kinetics of solid catalyzed reactions: diffusion with reaction in porous catalyst, mechanism of catalytic reactions, development of rate equations, estimation of kinetic parameters, external/internal mass and heat transfer resistances in catalyst particles; non ideal reactors; residence time distribution; single parameter model; non-isothermal reactors; rate and performance equations for catalyst deactivation.

**Process Dynamics and Control:** Transfer function and dynamic responses of various systems: first order, second order, interacting, non interacting, transportation lag, inverse response system; Controller modes P, PI, PID; Stability testing methods: Routh stability, Root locus, Bode diagram, Nyquist plot; Controller tuning: Z-N, Cohen Co, process reaction curve method; Control systems with multiple loops: MIMO control systems, interaction and decoupling of control loops; Advance control systems: cascade, ratio, smith predictor, selective control, adaptive and inferential control systems.

### **Project Engineering and Economics**

Techno economic feasibility report; Primary utilities; Secondary utilities; Process design development; Process selection; Principles of process economics; Cash flow for industrial operation; Total product cost: Manufacturing cost, direct production cost, fixed charges, general expenses; Balance sheet; Depreciation; Break even chart; Plant location and layout; Critical path method (CPM); Program evaluation and review technique (PERT); Basic engineering data for plant design.

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