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AIChE manual updates and consolidates procedures for testing performance of distillation columns. From classic distillation operations to air stripping to other separations processes, selecting the correct column for appropriate efficient, safe, and environmentally-sound operations can be an important step. The newest updated volume in AIChE's long-running Equipment Testing Procedures series, *Trayed and Packed Columns: A Guide to Performance Evaluation, Third Edition* provides chemical engineers, plant managers, and other professionals with helpful advice to assess and measure performance of a variety of distillation columns, including those that utilize bubble cap, sieve, valve trays, or packing material. The new book combines and updates into one user-friendly volume the best available field knowledge from previous publications on both types of distillation columns. Designed not as a single set of compulsory steps, but as a compilation of techniques, it will allow the user to select the procedure that best applies to its operating parameters. The testing steps presented can be used to assess reliable performance data on mass transfer efficiency, capacity, energy consumption, and pressure drop—information essential to effective troubleshooting of performance problems, identifying capacity bottlenecks, determining operating ranges, and a number of other routine maintenance and optimization processes. Opening with an extensive definition section, organized by topical area, the book then goes on to address: Selection of instrumentation and identification of elements to be measured Pre-test planning procedures Strategies for data collection and evaluation, including sampling procedures Pre-test, in-test, and post-test considerations (equipment, safety, process, environmental) Computation and

interpretation of results, including individual breakdowns for trayed and packed columns in terms of hydraulic and efficiency performance Test troubleshooting analysis in twelve key areas The book concludes with appendices for relevant symbols and nomenclature, plus sample calculations generated from performance tests. With its engineer-tested procedures and thorough explanations, Trayed and Packed Columns: A Guide to Performance Evaluation, Third Edition is an essential text for anyone engaged in implementing new technology in equipment design, identifying process problems, and optimizing equipment performance. The study consisted of an extensive review of unpacked and packed thermogravitational column theory, an experimental investigation involving both unpacked and packed columns, and an analysis of the experimental results in relation to theoretical predictions. Improvements in column design and operating procedures were developed in order to facilitate the acquisition of reliable and consistent separation data. The following results were obtained: 1) pure component properties alone cannot predict column performance, 2) separation data for a homologous series can be correlated in terms of property differences with certain restrictions, 3) linear packed column theory is invalid at small permeabilities, 4) characteristic packing size is not an important variable affecting column performance, 5) transient batch packed column performance can be predicted using cell measured binary Soret coefficients, and 6) continuously operated packed column performance is similar to that of the unpacked column in its dependence on the feed flow rate. (Author).

Supplying nearly 350 expertly-written articles on technologies that can maximize and enhance the research and production phases of current and emerging chemical manufacturing practices and techniques, this second edition provides gold standard articles on the methods, practices,

products, and standards recently influencing the chemical industries. New material includes: design of key unit operations involved with chemical processes; design, unit operation, and integration of reactors and separation systems; process system peripherals such as pumps, valves, and controllers; analytical techniques and equipment; current industry practices; and pilot plant design and scale-up criteria.

Comprehensive Membrane Science and Engineering, Second Edition is an interdisciplinary and innovative reference work on membrane science and technology. Written by leading researchers and industry professionals from a range of backgrounds, chapters elaborate on recent and future developments in the field of membrane science and explore how the field has advanced since the previous edition published in 2010. Chapters are written by academics and practitioners across a variety of fields, including chemistry, chemical engineering, material science, physics, biology and food science. Each volume covers a wide spectrum of applications and advanced technologies, such as new membrane materials (e.g. thermally rearranged polymers, polymers of intrinsic microporosity and new hydrophobic fluoropolymer) and processes (e.g. reverse electrodialysis, membrane contractors, membrane crystallization, membrane condenser, membrane dryers and membrane emulsifiers) that have only recently proved their full potential for industrial application. This work covers the latest advances in membrane science, linking fundamental research with real-life practical applications using specially selected case studies of medium and large-scale membrane operations to demonstrate successes and failures with a look to future developments in the field. Contains comprehensive, cutting-edge coverage, helping readers understand the latest theory Offers readers a variety of perspectives on how membrane science and engineering research can be

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best applied in practice across a range of industries Provides the theory behind the limits, advantages, future developments and failure expectations of local membrane operations in emerging countries

THE FIRST BOOK OF ITS KIND ON DISTILLATION TECHNOLOGY The last half-century of research on distillation has tremendously improved our understanding and design of industrial distillation equipment and systems. High-speed computers have taken over the design, control, and operation of towers. Invention and innovation in tower internals have greatly enhanced tower capacity and efficiency. With all these advances, one would expect the failure rate in distillation towers to be on the decline. In fact, the opposite is the case: the tower failure rate is on the rise and accelerating. Distillation Troubleshooting collects invaluable hands-on experiences acquired in dealing with distillation and absorption malfunctions, making them readily accessible for those engaged in solving today's problems and avoiding tomorrow's. The first book of its kind on the distillation industry, the practical lessons it offers are a must for those seeking the elusive path to trouble-free distillation. Distillation Troubleshooting covers over 1,200 case histories of problems, diagnoses, solutions, and key lessons. Coverage includes: * Successful and unsuccessful struggles with plugging, fouling, and coking * Histories and prevention of tray, packing, and internals damage * Lessons taught by incidents and accidents during shutdowns, commissioning, and abnormal operation * Troubleshooting distillation simulations to match the real world * Making packing liquid distributors work * Plant bottlenecks from intermediate draws, chimney trays, and feed points * Histories of and key lessons from explosions and fires in distillation towers * Prevention of flaws that impair reboiler and condenser performance * Destabilization of tower control systems and how to correct it *

Discoveries from shutdown inspections * Suppression of foam and accumulation incidents A unique resource for improving the foremost industrial separation process, Distillation Troubleshooting transforms decades of hands-on experiences into a handy reference for professionals and students involved in the operation, design, study, improvement, and management of large-scale distillation.

Distillation: Equipment and Processes—winner of the 2015 PROSE Award in Chemistry & Physics from the Association of American Publishers—is a single source of authoritative information on all aspects of the theory and practice of modern distillation, suitable for advanced students and professionals working in a laboratory, industrial plants, or a managerial capacity. It addresses the most important and current research on industrial distillation, including all steps in process design (feasibility study, modeling, and experimental validation), together with operation and control aspects. This volume features an extra focus on distillation equipment and processes. Winner of the 2015 PROSE Award in Chemistry & Physics from the Association of American Publishers Practical information on the newest development written by recognized experts Coverage of a huge range of laboratory and industrial distillation approaches Extensive references for each chapter facilitates further study

Trays versus Packings in Separator Design to Underground Gas Storage

The rising trend towards the operation of packed towers in separation processes was initiated after the energy crisis in the seventies. This book is the first of its kind which treats all the important theoretical and practical aspects for the calculation, design and operation of these packed towers. The main applications of packed towers are in the

separation of gas-liquid or vapour-liquid systems. This book considers all features of packed towers for industrial separation plants that can be used in process and environmental technology. It includes a comprehensive treatment of packed-bed technology and the advantages of packed towers, such as the application of improved methods for energy saving purposes, environmental protection measures and the revamping of existing plants, are clearly outlined. The methods presented are based on sound physical and mathematical modelling, the validity of which have been confirmed by numerous experimental investigations performed in laboratories and pilot plants and then scaled up to meet practical, industrial requirements.

Multistage separation processes are essentially the heart and soul of the petroleum, petrochemical, and chemical industries. They yield products as common as gasoline and plastics and those as specialized as medical-grade pharmaceuticals. Predicting the Performance of Multistage Separation Processes provides chemical engineers with solid information and insights into these processes. It reaches beyond fundamental principles to focus on intuitive understanding and practical interpretation. To that end, it presents numerous examples from a variety of applications, effectively demonstrating the performance of processes under varying conditions and the relationship among the different operating variables. With major advances in computational techniques for solving complex multistage separation equations, a variety of simulation programs have emerged that allow accurate and efficient prediction of multistage separation

processes. These are valuable and effective tools, but are often hampered by a lack of understanding of the fundamentals and limitations of prediction techniques. The author addresses these problems and pursues a strategy that decouples the discussion of conceptual analysis and the computational techniques. Although Dr. Khoury presents mathematical methods in detail, he gives special attention to keeping the practical interpretation of the models in focus and emphasizes intuitive understanding. He applies graphical techniques and shortcut methods wherever possible and includes industrial practice heuristics about the ranges of operating variables that will work. With its updates and the addition of more than 100 new applications problems and solutions, *Predicting the Performance of Multistage Separation Processes, Second Edition* is ideal for a methodical study of separation processes and as a reference for the fundamental principles and shortcuts useful to the working professional.

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Chemical Engineering Volume 2 covers the properties of particulate systems, including the character of individual particles and their behaviour in fluids. Sedimentation of particles, both singly and at high concentrations, flow in packed and fluidised beds and filtration are then examined. The latter part of the book deals with separation processes, such as distillation and gas absorption, which illustrate applications of the fundamental principles of mass transfer introduced in *Chemical Engineering Volume 1*. In conclusion, several techniques of growing importance - adsorption, ion exchange,

chromatographic and membrane separations, and process intensification - are described. A logical progression of chemical engineering concepts, volume 2 builds on fundamental principles contained in Chemical Engineering volume 1 and these volumes are fully cross-referenced. Reflects the growth in complexity and stature of chemical engineering over the last few years. Supported with further reading at the end of each chapter and graded problems at the end of the book.

Explore and review novel techniques for intensifying transport and reaction in liquid-liquid and related systems with this essential toolkit. Topics include discussion of the principles of process intensification, the nexus between process intensification and sustainable engineering, and the fundamentals of liquid-liquid contacting, from an expert with over forty-five years' experience in the field. Providing promising directions for investment and for new research in process intensification, in addition to a unique review of the fundamentals of the topic, this book is the perfect guide for senior undergraduate students, graduate students, developers, and research staff in chemical engineering and biochemical engineering.

This text offers fundamental analysis of the underlying physicochemical principles to select optimal modes of interaction, design efficient separations, and increase productivity in the manufacture of novel therapeutics and pharmaceuticals.

Presents the latest results of both academic and industrial research in the control, modelling and dynamics of two of the most fundamental constituents of all chemical

engineering plant. Includes contributions on fixed-bed, gas-phase and tubular reactors, thermal cracking furnaces and distillation columns, related to applications in all major areas of chemical engineering, including petrochemicals and bulk chemical manufacture. Contains 51 papers.

Packed bed columns are largely employed for absorption, desorption, rectification and direct heat transfer processes in chemical and food industry, environmental protection and also processes in thermal power stations like water purification, flue gas heat utilization and SO₂ removal. These Separation processes, are estimated to account for 40%-70% of capital and operating costs in process industry. Packed bed columns are widely employed in this area. Their usage also for direct heat transfer between gas and liquid, enlarge their importance. They are the best apparatuses, from thermodynamical point of view, for mass and heat transfer processes between gas and liquid phase. Their wide spreading is due to low capital investments and operating costs. Since 1995 there has not been published a specialised book in this area, and this is a period of quick development of packed columns. Packed Bed Columns reflects the state of this field including the author's experience on creating and investigating of new packings, column internals and industrial columns. Considers the theories of mass transfer processes and shows how they help the construction of highly effective packings Complete information about the performance characteristics of different modern types of highly effective packings Considers the models for calculation and areas of their application

The first German edition of the book "Fluid dynamics of packed columns with modern random and

structured packings for gas/liquid systems” was published in 1991. It sold out within a few years. Added to this were numerous enquiries, in particular within the industry, prompting me to publish a second, extended edition. A packed column remains the core element of any diffusional separation process. This underlines the need for basic design principles for packed columns, which enhance the design process by making it more accurate and reliable. The SBD (suspended bed of droplets) model introduced in the first German edition of the book was well received by the experts and is now used by a large number of companies in the industry, as it offers improved reliability in the fluid dynamic design of packed columns. For the purpose of facilitating the design process, the SBD model was integrated into the simulation programme ChemCAD. The software programme FDPACK, which is available for Windows, has certainly contributed to the widespread use of the SBD model. The programme is very user-friendly and the calculation results are presented in tabular as well as graphic form, showing food load, pressure drop and hold-up diagrams in the entire operating range.

Biopharmaceutical Processing: Development, Design, and Implementation of Manufacturing Processes covers bioprocessing from cell line development to bulk drug substances. The methods and strategies described are essential learning for every scientist, engineer or manager in the biopharmaceutical and vaccines industry. The integrity of the bioprocess ultimately determines the quality of the product in the biotherapeutics arena, and this book covers every stage including all technologies related to downstream purification and upstream processing fields. Economic considerations are included throughout, with recommendations for lowering costs and improving efficiencies. Designed for quick reference and easy accessibility of facts, calculations and guidelines, this book is an essential tool for industrial scientists and

managers in the biopharmaceutical industry. Offers a comprehensive, go-to reference for daily work decisions Covers both upstream and downstream processes Includes case studies that emphasize financial outcomes Presents summaries, decision grids, graphs and overviews for quick reference

This latest edition covers the technical performance and mechanical details of converting the chemical and petrochemical process into appropriate hardware for distillation and packed towers. It incorporates recent advances and major innovations in distillation contacting devices and features new generations of packing. In addition, this new edition reflects the significant progress that has been made in process design techniques in recent years. Volume 2's example calculation techniques guide in the preparation of preliminary and final rating designs. In some instances, the book includes manufacturers' procedures and notes clearly indicate when manufacturers should verify results. Covers distillation and packed towers, and contains material on azeotropes and ideal and non-ideal systems Includes important findings from recent literature to illustrate alternate design methods New illustrations and rating charts Providing coverage of design principles for distillation processes, this text contains a presentation of process and equipment design procedures. It also highlights limitations of some design methods, and offers guidance on how to overcome them.

Part I: Process design -- Introduction to design -- Process flowsheet development -- Utilities and energy efficient design -- Process simulation -- Instrumentation and process control -- Materials of construction -- Capital cost estimating -- Estimating revenues and production costs -- Economic evaluation of projects -- Safety and loss prevention -- General site considerations -- Optimization in design -- Part II: Plant design -- Equipment selection, specification and

design -- Design of pressure vessels -- Design of reactors and mixers -- Separation of fluids -- Separation columns (distillation, absorption and extraction) -- Specification and design of solids-handling equipment -- Heat transfer equipment -- Transport and storage of fluids.

MATLAB is an indispensable asset for scientists, researchers, and engineers. The richness of the MATLAB computational environment combined with an integrated development environment (IDE) and straightforward interface, toolkits, and simulation and modeling capabilities, creates a research and development tool that has no equal. From quick code prototyping to full blown deployable applications, MATLAB stands as a de facto development language and environment serving the technical needs of a wide range of users. As a collection of diverse applications, each book chapter presents a novel application and use of MATLAB for a specific result.

This new edition of a trusted guide combines and updates the best available field knowledge on both trayed and packed distillation columns. In one complete, user-friendly volume, it presents a compilation of techniques rather than a single set of compulsory steps, allowing readers to select the procedure that best suits their needs. With its engineer-tested procedures and detailed explanations, the third edition provides chemical engineers, plant managers, and other professionals with first-class advice on assessing and measuring performance for a variety of distillation column types in multiple applications.

Compiled by the editor of Dekker's distinguished Chromatographic Science

series, this reader-friendly reference is as a unique and stand-alone guide for anyone requiring clear instruction on the most frequently utilized analytical instrumentation techniques. More than just a catalog of commercially available instruments, the chapters are wri

The fourth edition of Ludwig's Applied Process Design for Chemical and Petrochemical Plants, Volume Three is a core reference for chemical, plant, and process engineers and provides an unrivalled reference on methods, process fundamentals, and supporting design data. New to this edition are expanded chapters on heat transfer plus additional chapters focused on the design of shell and tube heat exchangers, double pipe heat exchangers and air coolers. Heat tracer requirements for pipelines and heat loss from insulated pipelines are covered in this new edition, along with batch heating and cooling of process fluids, process integration, and industrial reactors. The book also looks at the troubleshooting of process equipment and corrosion and metallurgy. Assists engineers in rapidly analyzing problems and finding effective design methods and mechanical specifications Definitive guide to the selection and design of various equipment types, including heat exchanger sizing and compressor sizing, with established design codes Batch heating and cooling of process fluids supported by Excel programs

Surveys the selection, design, and operation of most of the industrially important separation processes. Discusses the underlying principles on which the processes are based, and provides illustrative examples of the use of the processes in a modern context. Features thorough treatment of newer separation processes based on membranes, adsorption, chromatography, ion exchange, and chemical complexation. Includes a review of historically important separation processes such as distillation, absorption, extraction, leaching, and crystallization and considers these techniques in light of recent developments affecting them. This book provides, in one place, basic information and considerations necessary to plan, build and operate seawater systems for culturing purposes. It provides design, construction and operations guidance for seawater (salinities from freshwater to brine) systems with flow rates of 10-1,000 gallons (40-4,000 liters) per minute. While the book concentrates on general circumstances, situations and concepts, comprehensive referencing of text and annotated bibliographies are provided in critical technical areas to allow readers to pursue specialized areas of interest. This upgraded and expanded Second Edition contains a considerably increased number of numerical examples relative to the first edition to demonstrate practical applications of the concepts and presented data. Acquire the tools and techniques that will help meet the world's growing natural

gas demand. Handbook of Natural Gas Transmission and Processing, 2nd Edition gives engineers and managers complete coverage of natural gas transmission and processing in the most rapidly growing sector to the petroleum industry. Emphasizing the practical aspects of natural gas production over the theoretical, the authors provide a unique discussion of new technologies that are energy efficient and environmentally appealing at the same time. This 2nd edition examines ways to select the best processing route for optimal design of gas-processing plants and includes three new chapters on dynamics of process controls, process modeling and simulation and optimal design of gas processing plants. Both Chapter 7 (Acid Gas Treating) and Chapter 9 (Natural Gas Dehydration) are heavily revised. The objective of this work is to provide plant designers and owners/operators methods to decrease construction costs and total cost of ownership while addressing reliability and availability.

Contains the papers presented at a symposium which aimed to address and record changes in distillation and absorption and to discuss new directions.

Topics covered include: column sequencing; equipment; batch distillation; azeotropic and extractive distillation; packed columns and more.

The latest edition of a perennial bestseller, Multistage Separation Processes, Fourth Edition provides a clear and thorough presentation of the theoretical foundation, and

understanding of the development, evaluation, design, and optimization steps of these processes, from both an academic and industrial perspective. The book's emphasis on starting with theoretical models and their role in computer simulation, followed by practical applications, sets it apart from other texts on this topic. The author also highlights the importance of relating fundamental concepts to intuitive understanding of the processes. See What's New in the Fourth Edition: Chapter on fluid-solid operations Expanded development of theories and methods for many applications Adds numerous industry-related examples and end-of-chapter problems Case studies combined with examples Updated and enhanced figures The book includes a generous number of examples from a wide variety of applications to relate theory to actual results, and to demonstrate the performance of process under varying conditions. The chapter topics follow a logical path that starts with basics and theoretical concepts, and progresses systematically into the various separation processes. Each chapter provides the information relevant to a specific topic, and refers to appropriate chapters in the book as needed. These features combine to give you the understanding required to make the best selections of property prediction and simulation techniques and avoid the cost incurred by the use of improper simulations.

A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO TROUBLESHOOTING PROCESS EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTIONS Process Equipment Malfunctions offers proven techniques for finding and fixing process plant problems and contains details on failure identification.

Diagnostic tips, examples, and illustrations help to pinpoint and correct faults in chemical process and petroleum refining equipment. Complex math has been omitted. An essential resource for plant operators and process engineers, this book is based on the author's long career in field troubleshooting process problems. **COVERAGE INCLUDES:** Distillation tray malfunctions Packed tower problems Distillation tower pressure and composition control Fractionator product stripping Pumparounds Reboiled and steam side strippers Inspecting tower internals Process reboilers--thermosyphon circulation Heat exchangers Condenser limitations Air coolers Cooling water systems Steam condensate collection systems Steam quality problems Level control problems Process plant corrosion and fouling Vapor-liquid separation vessels Hydrocarbon-water separation and desalters Fired heaters--draft and excess O₂ Disabling safety systems Vacuum systems and steam jets Vacuum surface condensers Centrifugal pump limitations Steam turbine drivers Centrifugal compressors Reciprocating compressors Discussing distillation, this book gives readers guidelines for operation, troubleshooting and control. It offers a compendium of Do's and Don'ts, good practices, and guidelines for trouble-free design; operation and troubleshooting for inlets and outlets; avoiding tray damage; installation; commissioning and startup techniques; and more.

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