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Question #	Gained points	Full points
1	15.0	15
2	15.0	15
3	19.0	20
Total		50

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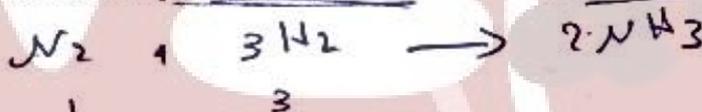
Question 1: [15 points]

The synthesis of ammonia proceeds according to the following reaction



In a given plant, 4202 lb of nitrogen and 1046 lb of hydrogen are fed to the synthesis reactor per hour. Production of pure ammonia from this reactor is 3060 lb per hour.

1. What is the limiting reactant?
2. What is the percent excess reactant?
3. What is the percent conversion obtained (based on the limiting reactant).



4202 1046

$$\frac{4202 \text{ lb mol } N_2}{1 \text{ lb mol } N_2} > \frac{1046 \text{ lb mol } H_2}{3 \text{ lb mol } H_2} \rightarrow 348.67$$

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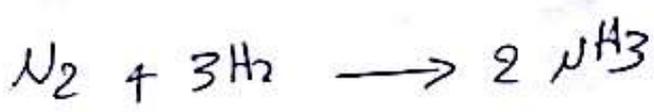
So the H_2 is limited

% excess $N_2 = \frac{n_{p, \text{Fed}} - n_{\text{Stoich}}}{n_{\text{Stoich}}}$

$n_{N_2}(\text{stoich}) = \frac{1046 \text{ lb mol } H_2}{3 \text{ lb mol } H_2} \times 1 \text{ lb mol } N_2 = 348.67 \text{ lb mol } N_2$

% excess $N_2 = \frac{4202 - 348.67}{348.67} \times 100\% = 1107.6\%$

Q1



$M_w H_2 = 2$
 $M_w N_2 = 28$
 $M_w NH_3 = 17.03$

$$4202 \text{ lb } N_2 \quad | \quad 1046 \text{ lb } H_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{m} = 3060 \text{ lbm/h}$$

$$\dot{n}_{N_2} = \frac{\dot{m}}{M_w}$$

$$= 150.1 \text{ lbmol/h}$$

$$\dot{n}_{H_2} = 523 \text{ lbmol/h}$$

$$\dot{n}_{NH_3} = \frac{\dot{m}}{M_w} = \frac{3060 \text{ lbm/h}}{17.03 \text{ lbm/lbmol}}$$

$$\dot{n}_{NH_3} = 179.7 \text{ lbmol/h}$$

① stoichiometry ratio

$$\frac{150.1 \text{ lbmol } N_2/h}{1} \quad ? \quad \frac{523 \text{ lbmol } H_2/h}{2}$$

$$150.1 \text{ lbmol } N_2/h < 261.5 \text{ lbmol } H_2/h$$

So N_2 is limited reactant.

② % excess $H_2 = \frac{\dot{n}_{H_2} - \dot{n}_{H_2}^{stoich}}{\dot{n}_{H_2}^{stoich}} \times 100\%$

$$\dot{n}_{H_2}^{stoich} = \frac{150.1 \text{ lbmol } N_2/h \times 3 \text{ lbmol } H_2}{1 \text{ lbmol } N_2} = 450.2 \text{ lbmol } H_2/h$$

$$\% \text{ excess } = \frac{523 \text{ lbmol/h} - 450.2 \text{ lbmol/h}}{450.2 \text{ lbmol/h}} \times 100\% = 16.17\%$$

③ Present conv. by $N_2 = \frac{\dot{n}_{reacted}}{\dot{n}_{fed}} \times 100\% = \frac{\dot{n}_{input} - \dot{n}_{output}}{\dot{n}_{input}} \times 100\%$

$$\dot{n}_{reacted} = \frac{179.7 \text{ lbmol } NH_3/h \times 1 \text{ lbmol } N_2}{2 \text{ lbmol } NH_3} = 89.85 \text{ lbmol } N_2/h$$

$$\text{Present conv by } N_2 = \frac{89.85 \text{ lbmol } N_2/h}{150.1 \text{ lbmol } N_2/h} \times 100\% = 59.86\%$$

$$1 \text{ atm} = 14.696 \text{ Psi}$$

$$P_{\text{absolute}} = P_{\text{gag}} + P_{\text{atmosphere}}$$

$$= 300 \text{ Psi} + 14.696 = \boxed{314.696 \text{ Psi}_a} \text{ } N_2$$

Question 2: [15 points]

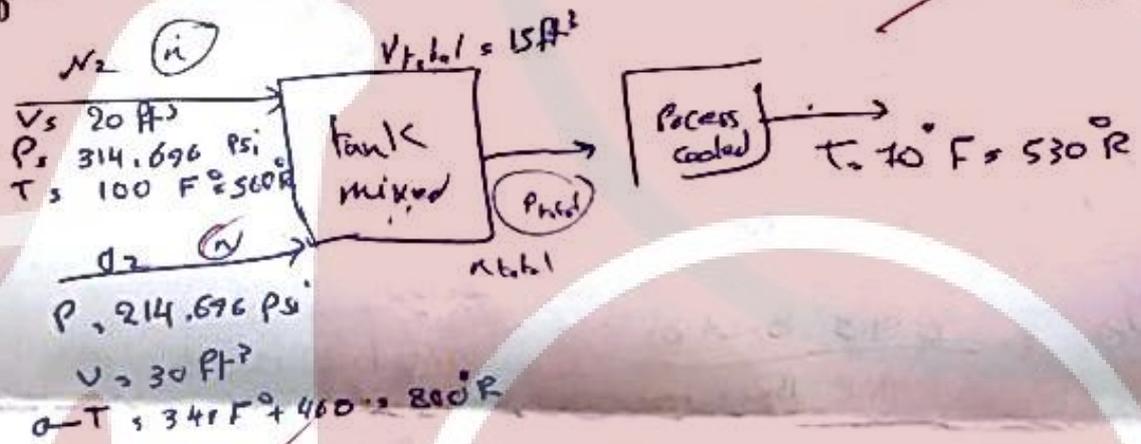
20 ft³ of nitrogen gas at 300 psig and 100°F and 30 ft³ of oxygen gas at 200 psig and 340°F are mixed in a 15 ft³ tank. The tank is then cooled to 70°F. Find the pressure, and the mole fraction and partial pressure of each component in the 15 ft³ tank. Assume that the ideal gas law applies.

$$R = 10.73 \text{ ft}^3 \cdot \text{psia} / \text{lb-mole} \cdot \text{R}$$

$$T[\text{R}] = T[\text{F}] + 460$$

$$P_{\text{absolute}} = 200 + 14.696$$

$$P = 214.696 \text{ abs Psi}$$



For N_2

$$PV = nRT$$

$$n = \frac{PV}{RT} = \frac{314.696 \text{ Psi} (20 \text{ ft}^3)}{10.73 \left(\frac{\text{ft}^3 \cdot \text{Psi}}{\text{lb-mole} \cdot \text{R}} \right) (560 \text{ R})} = \boxed{1.05 \text{ lbmol } N_2}$$

For O_2

$$PV = nRT$$

$$n = \frac{PV}{RT} = \frac{214.696 \text{ Psi} (30 \text{ ft}^3)}{10.73 \left(\frac{\text{ft}^3 \cdot \text{Psi}}{\text{lb-mole} \cdot \text{R}} \right) (800 \text{ R})} = \boxed{0.75 \text{ lbmol } O_2}$$

$$\text{mol mixture} = \text{mol } N_2 + \text{mol } O_2 = \boxed{1.8 \text{ lbmol mixture}}$$

$$V_{\text{mix}} = 15 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$T_{\text{mix}} = 530 \text{ R cooled.} \rightarrow \text{calculated } P_{\text{total}}$$

$$PV = nRT \rightarrow P_T = \frac{n_{\text{mix}} R T}{V}$$

$$P_{\text{Total}} = \frac{(530 \text{ R}) (1.8 \text{ lbmol}) (10.73 \text{ ft}^3 \cdot \text{Psi} / \text{lb-mole} \cdot \text{R})}{15 \text{ ft}^3} = \boxed{682.428 \text{ Psi}}$$

(Q2)

mole fraction, Partial pressure

Partial pressure same container

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{P_2 V_2} = \frac{n_1 R T_1}{n_2 R T_2}$$

$$P_i = y_i P$$

$$P_A = P (y_A)$$

mole fraction

$$y_{N_2} = \frac{\text{mol } N_2}{\text{Total mol}}$$

$$= \frac{1.05 \text{ lbmol } N_2}{1.8 \text{ lbmol mix}}$$

mol total = 1.8 lbmol mix
 mol N_2 = 1.05 lbmol N_2
 mol O_2 = 0.75 lbmol O_2

$$y_{N_2} = 0.583 \text{ lbmol } N_2 / \text{lbmol mix}$$

$$y_{O_2} = \frac{0.75 \text{ lbmol } O_2}{1.8 \text{ lbmol mix}} = 0.416 \text{ lbmol } O_2 / \text{lbmol mix}$$

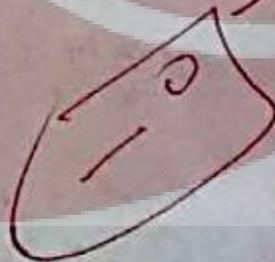
Partial pressure

$$P_A = P_{total} y_{A, \text{psi}}$$

$$P_{total} = 682.428 \text{ Psi}$$

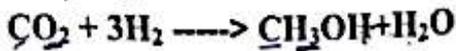
$$P_{N_2} = (682.428) \left(\frac{0.583 \text{ lbmol } N_2}{\text{lbmol}} \right) = 397.85 \text{ Psi } N_2$$

$$P_{O_2} = 682.428 \text{ Psi} \left(\frac{0.416 \text{ lbmol } O_2}{\text{lbmol}} \right) = 283.89 \text{ Psi } O_2$$

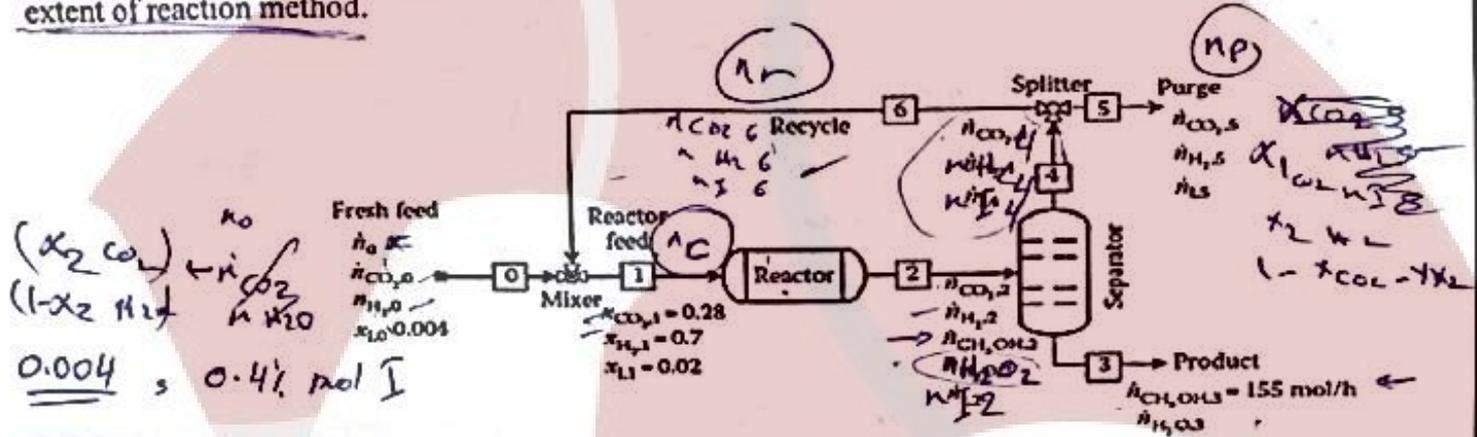


Question 3: [15 points]

Methanol is produced by the reaction of carbon dioxide and hydrogen:



The fresh feed to the process contains hydrogen, carbon dioxide, and 0.40 mol% inert (I). The reactor effluent passes to a separator that removes essentially all of the methanol and water formed, but none of the reactants or inert. The methanol produced in the reactor is 155 mol CH₃OH/h. The latter substances are recycled to the reactor. To avoid buildup of the inert in the system, a purge stream is withdrawn from the recycle as shown in the following figure. The feed to the reactor (not the fresh feed to the process) contains 28.0 mol% CO₂, 70.0 mol% H₂, and 2.00 mol% inert. The single-pass conversion of hydrogen is 60.0%. Calculate the molar flow rates and molar compositions of the fresh feed, the total feed to the reactor, the recycle stream, and the purge stream. Use the extent of reaction method.



Unit	Unknown	Equations	Dof
Overall	7 unknown ($n_0, n_{CO_2}, n_{H_2}, n_{H_2O}, n_{CH_3OH}, n_{CO_2}, n_{H_2}, n_{H_2O}, n_{CH_3OH}$)	4 C can represent by ξ 1 (M.B) Inert + 1 reaction	1 0
Mix	7 unknown	4 species ξ 5 M.B	3
Reactor	5 unknown ($n_{CO_2}, n_{H_2}, n_{H_2O}, n_{CH_3OH}, n_{CO_2}, n_{H_2}$)	4 species ξ 1 conv.	0
Separator	8 unknown	4 species ξ M.B	4
Purge	4	1 M.B	

Reactor ξ

$$n_{CO_2}(2) = n_{CO_2}(1) - \xi \rightarrow n_{CO_2}(2) = 0.28 n_C - 155 \text{ kmol/h}$$

$$n_{H_2}(2) = n_{H_2}(1) - 3\xi \rightarrow n_{H_2}(2) = 0.7 n_C - 465 \text{ kmol/h}$$

$$n_{H_2O}(2) = \xi$$

$$n_{CH_3OH}(2) = \xi = 155 \text{ kmol/h}$$

Q3
 reactor
 by conv. n_2 . 60%

Fract $\frac{n_{fed} - n_{out}}{n_{fed}} = 60\%$

$\frac{0.7 n_C - (0.7 n_C - 465)}{0.7 n_C} = 60\%$

$0.42 n_C = 0.7 n_C - 465$

$0.42 n_C = 465$

$n_C = 1107.14 \text{ mol/h}$ ✓

$n_I = 0.02 / 1107.14$

$n_I = 22.14 \text{ mol/h}$

back to eqn of carbon dioxide

$n(\text{CO}_2) = 0.28 n_C - 155$ ✓

$n(\text{CO}_2) = 154.9 \approx 155 \text{ mol/h CO}_2$

$n(\text{H}_2) = 0.7 n_C - 465$

$n(\text{H}_2) = 309.9 \approx 310 \text{ mol/h H}_2$ ✓

over all:

$n(\text{CO}_2)_S = n(\text{CO}_2)_0 - \epsilon$

$n(\text{H}_2)_S = n(\text{H}_2)_0 - 3\epsilon$

$n(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})_S = \epsilon = 155 \text{ mol/h}$

$(n(\text{H}_2\text{O})_S - n(\text{H}_2\text{O})_0) = \epsilon = 155 \text{ mol/h}$

$n(\text{CO}_2)_S = n(\text{CO}_2)_0 - 155$

$n(\text{H}_2)_S = n(\text{H}_2)_0 - 465$

$0.318 n_P = \alpha_{\text{CO}_2} n_0 - 155$

by overall. int.

$0.004 n_0 = n_S$

n_{Total} of go. of Separator above stream

$$n_{Total} = n_{CO_2} + n_{H_2} + n_{I_2}$$

$$= 155 + 310 + 22.14$$

$$n_{Total} = 487.14$$

Separator

$$x_{CO_2} = \frac{n_{CO_2}}{n_{Total}} = \frac{155 \text{ mol H}_2\text{CO}_2}{487.14}$$

$$x_{CO_2} = 0.318 \text{ mol CO}_2/\text{mol}$$

$$x_{H_2} = \frac{310}{487.14} = 0.636 \text{ mol H}_2/\text{mol}$$

$$x_{I_2} = \frac{22.14}{487.14} = 0.045 \text{ mol I}_2/\text{mol}$$

by mixing process

total balance

$$n_0 + n_r = n_c \rightarrow n_0 + n_r = 1107.14$$

balance CO₂

~~$$x_2 n_0 + 0.318 n_r = 0.28 n_c$$~~

by inert

$$0.045 n_0 + 0.045 n_r = 2$$

$$n_{Total} \text{ of Separator} = n_p + n_r$$

~~$$n_0 = 1125 \text{ mol Total}$$~~

$$n_0 = 6750.8 \text{ mol}$$

~~$$n_p = 487.14 \text{ mol}$$~~

$$n_p = 674.95 \text{ mol}$$

~~$$n_r = 54 \text{ mol}$$~~

$$n_r = 432.05 \text{ mol}$$

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by ~~basis~~ basis 100

Composition of fresh feed

$n_0 = 675.08$

balance CO₂

$$(x_{CO_2})_{n_0} \neq (x_{CO_2})_{nr} = 0.28 \text{ nr}$$

$$(x_{CO_2})_g = 0.225$$

$$(x_{H_2})_g = 1 - 0.004 - 0.225$$

$$= 0.771$$

ask : believe & recieve

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