

# Exercise 3

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① If there is no reaction, Gibbs phase rule gives that

$$F = C - P + 2$$

by definition.

So in a case with 2 phases  
We get that the degrees of freedom,  $F$   
is

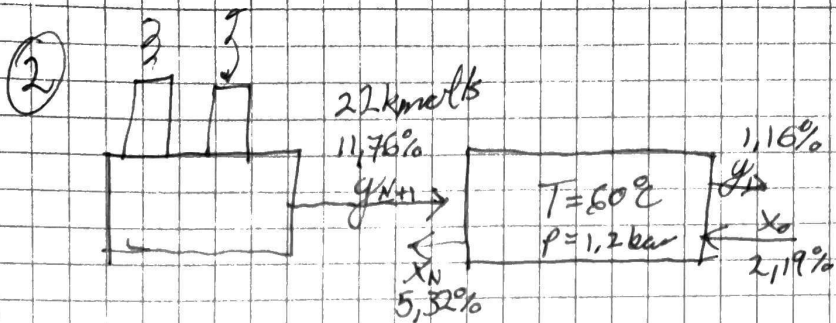
$$F = C$$

For distillation  $C = 2$

For Absorption  $C = 3$

Dist: Because  $x_A$  is defined for the system,  
we get that the pressure determines  
the system

Abs: Because  $x_A$  is defined for the system,  
we get that both  $T$  and  $p$  determines  
the system



$$V_{N+1} = 22 \text{ kmol/s}$$

$$y_{N+1} = 0,1176, \quad y_1 = 0,0116,$$

$$x_0 = 0,0219, \quad x_N = 0,0532$$

a) We can find the inert air flow

$$V' = V_{N+1}(1 - y_{N+1}) = 19,4128 \text{ kmol/s}$$

$$y_{N+1} V_{N+1} + x_0 L_0 = x_N L_N + y_1 V_1$$

$$\frac{V' y_{N+1}}{1 - y_{N+1}} + \frac{L' x_0}{1 - x_0} = \frac{L' x_N}{1 - x_N} + \frac{V' y_1}{1 - y_1}$$

$$2587,2 + \frac{L' 219}{9781} = \frac{L' 133}{2367} + 227,8313$$

$$0,0338 \cdot L' = 2359,3687$$

$$L' = 69,80 \text{ kmol/s}$$

$$L_0 = \frac{L'}{1 - x_0} = \frac{69,80}{1 - 0,0219} = 71,36 \text{ kmol/s}$$

$$L_N = \frac{L'}{1 - x_N} = \frac{69,8}{1 - 0,0532} = 73,72 \text{ kmol/s}$$

$$V_1 = (y_{N+1} V_{N+1} + x_0 L_0 - x_N L_N) / y_1 = 19,66 \text{ mol/s}$$

$$b) v = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = \frac{\dot{V}}{A} \Rightarrow A = \frac{\dot{V}}{v}$$

Find molar volume from ideal gas law

$$pV_m = RT$$

$$V_m = \frac{RT}{p} = \frac{8,3144721 \cdot 333}{1,2 \cdot 10^5} = 0,0231 \text{ m}^3/\text{mol}$$

$$\dot{V} = 22000 \text{ mol/s} \cdot 0,0231 \text{ m}^3/\text{mol} = 508,2 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

We then get the diameter:

$$A = \frac{\dot{V}}{v} \Rightarrow \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = \frac{\dot{V}}{v}$$

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{4\dot{V}}{\pi v}} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot 508,2}{\pi \cdot 2}} = \underline{\underline{17,99 \text{ m}}}$$

$$c) \frac{y_1}{x_1} = 0,52$$

$$\frac{y_3}{x_3} = 0,88$$

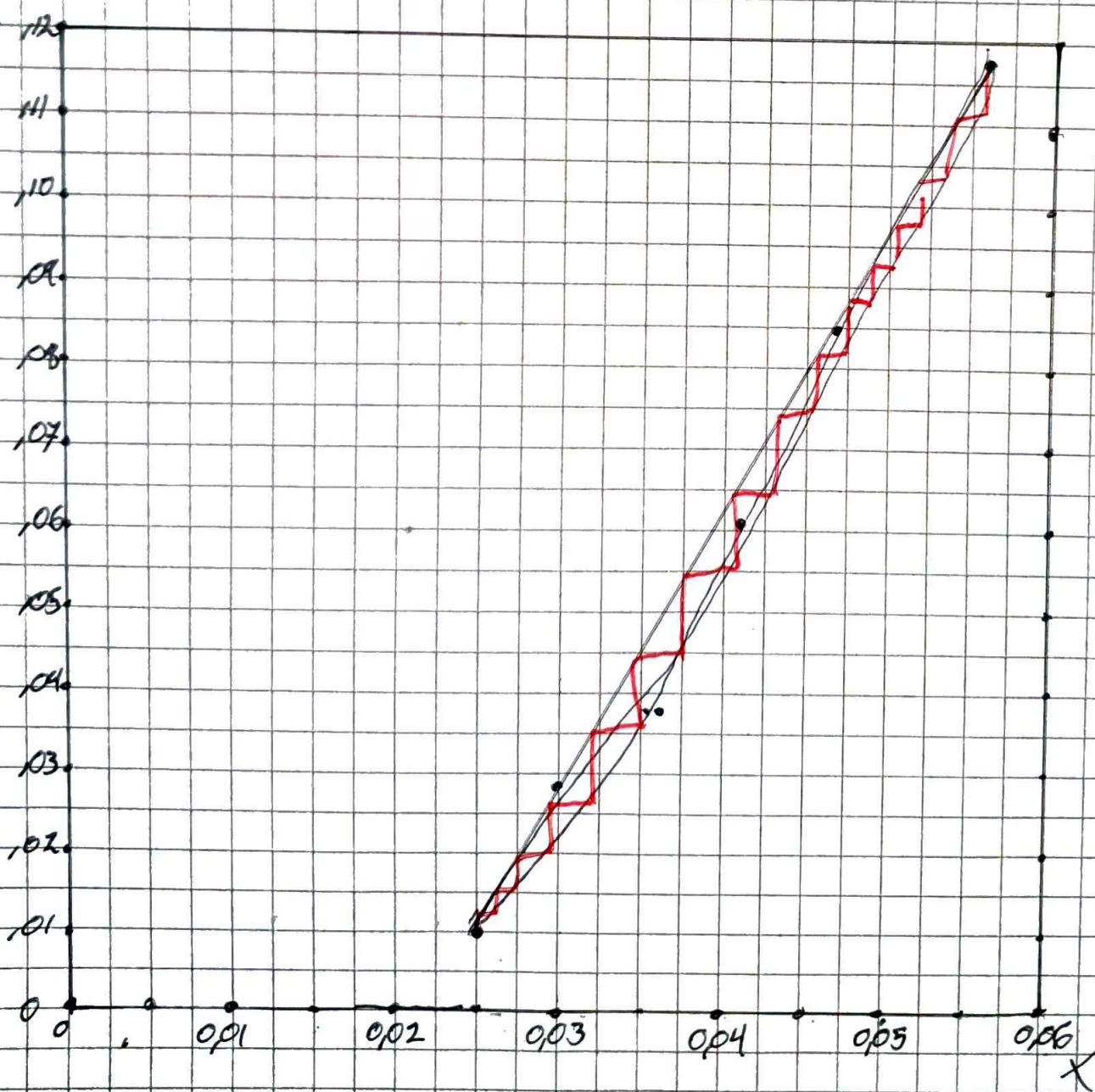
$$\frac{y_5}{x_5} = 2,18$$

No it is not reasonable

to use Henry's law.

Because the  $\frac{y}{x}$  is not constant

d)



$N = 15$

e) Assuming diluted flows  $y_n, x_n \ll 1$

We have the Mass equation

$$V_{n+1} y_{n+1} + L_0 x_0 = L_n x_n + V_1 y_1$$

We can then get the equation for the operating line  $y_{n+1}$

$$y_{n+1} = \frac{L_n}{V_{n+1}} x_n + \frac{V_1 y_1 - L_0 x_0}{V_{n+1}} \quad (1)$$

By looking at the whole system and using that  $\dot{V}_{in} = \dot{V}_{out}$

We get that

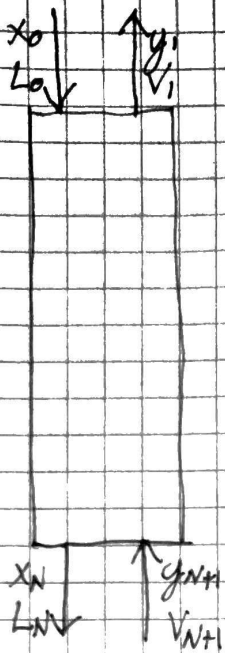
$$\frac{L_{in}}{V_{in}} \approx \frac{L_{out}}{V_{out}} \approx \frac{L'}{V'} \quad (2)$$

By implementing this into eq (1) we get

$$y_{n+1} \approx \frac{L_0}{V_{n+1}} x_n + \frac{V_{n+1} y_1 - L_0 x_0}{V_{n+1}}$$

This makes it so that the operating line is not quite linear but goes through  $(x_0, y_1)$  and  $(x_{N+1}, y_{N+1})$

③



$x_0 = 0,033$  ETOH  $y_{N+1} = 0$   
 $y_1$  have 99% of the ETOH from  $L_0$

$P = 1 \text{ atm} = 101,32 \text{ kPa}$

Going to find  $\frac{V_{N+1}}{L_0}$

a) Assuming constant molar flows

$\Rightarrow V_{N+1} = V_1$  and  $L_0 = L_N$

~~that will be equilibrium in the whole tank due to the assumption of  $\infty$  steps.~~

$$x_N L_N = 0,01 x_0 L_0 = L_0 \cdot 3,3 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_N = 3,3 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

Assuming pinch at feed

$$\frac{L_0}{V_{N+1}} = \frac{y_1 - y_{N+1}}{x_0 - x_N}$$

We want

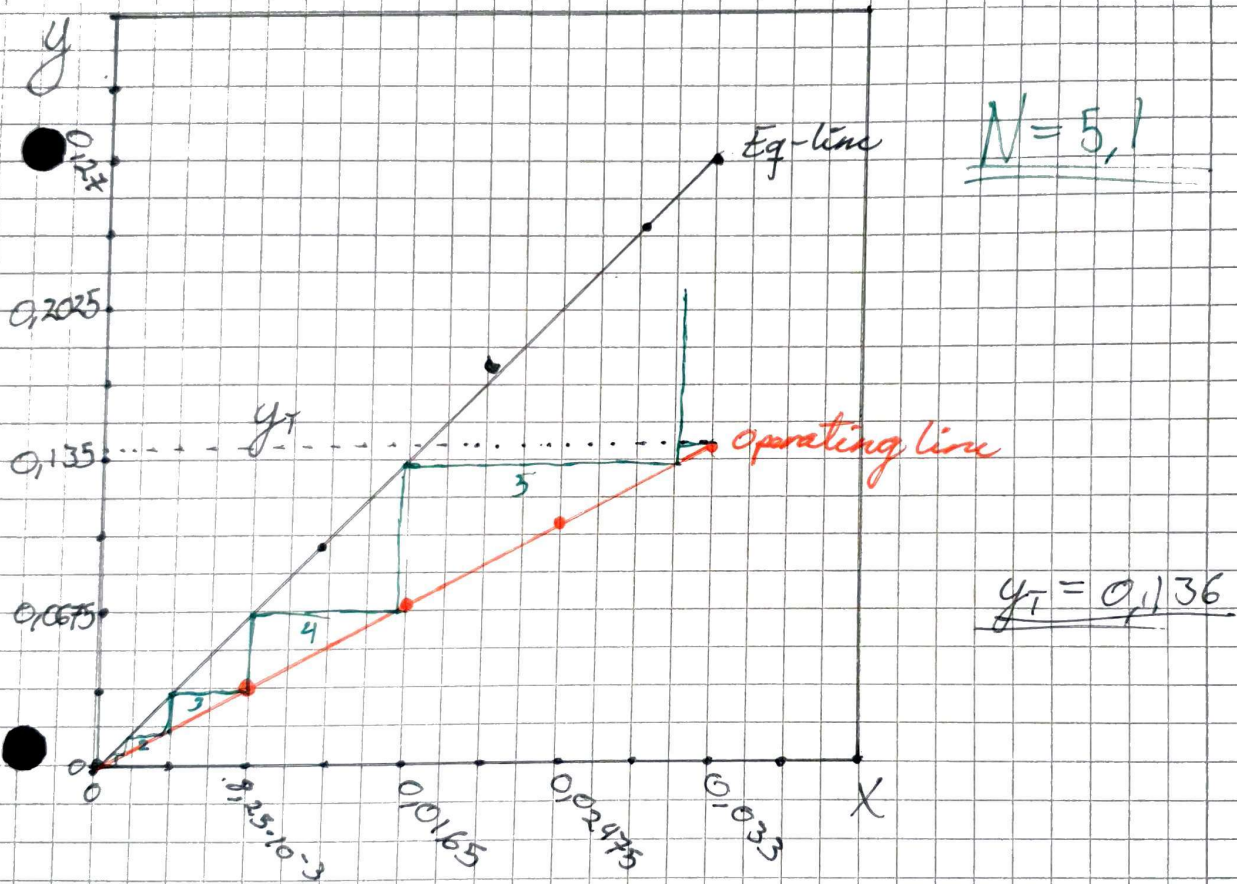
$$\frac{V_{N+1}}{L_0} = \frac{x_0 - x_N}{y_1 - y_{N+1}} = \frac{0,033 - 3,3 \cdot 10^{-4}}{0,270 - 0} = \underline{\underline{0,121}} \frac{\text{mol steam}}{\text{mol feed}}$$

b) Still assuming pinch at feed.  $V_{N+1} = 0,242$ ,  $L_0 = 1$   
 Finding the operating line from the eq:

$$y_{n+1} = \frac{L_0}{V_{N+1}} x_n + y_1 - \frac{L_0}{V_{N+1}} x_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{0,242} x_n + 0,270 - \frac{1}{0,242} \cdot 0,033$$

$$= 4,13 x_n + \dots$$



2) Kremser eq:  $\frac{y_{N+1} - y_1}{y_{N+1} - y_0^*} = \frac{A^{N+1} - A}{A^{N+1} - 1} = \phi$

simplified:

$$A^N = \frac{y_{N+1} - y_1^*}{y_1 - y_0^*}$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{y_{N+1} - y_1^*}{y_1 - y_0^*}\right)}{\ln(A)}$$

$$= \frac{\ln\left(\frac{y_{N+1} - y_1^*}{y_1 - y_0^*}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{y_{N+1} - y_1}{y_1^* - y_0^*}\right)}$$

$$A = \left(\frac{L}{VK}\right) = \frac{1}{0,121 \cdot K} = \frac{8,26}{K}$$

$$A = \frac{y_{N+1} - y_1}{y_1^* - y_0^*}$$

$$y_0^* = Kx_0$$

Don't know how to find the value of K.