

SIMULATION STUDIES FOR PRODUCTION OF ISOPROPYL ACETATE USING ASPEN PLUS

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Abstract: Isopropyl acetate is one of the most important fine chemical intermediate, which is formerly given as universal solvent. Acetic acid with Isopropyl alcohol to produce Isopropyl in amberlyst 36 wet in different reactors using Aspen plus has been researched. The feed mole ratio was differs from 1:1 to 1:1.6 and reaction temperatures were differs from 333.15 to 358.15 K for the solid catalysts. The acetic acid conversion was established to grow more in continuous stirred tank reactor compared to Gibbs reactor for a conversion is 61% under 85 °C for the feed of 1: 1.2 of Isopropyl Alcohol and acetic acid in the chosen method. In present work further studies was done for the combination of the continuous stirred tank reactor connected to simple purification pillar for the outcome of Isopropyl acetate was simulated using Aspen Plus to get high purity has been considered. The results were achieved with high conversion and purity of product 90% at feed temperature 358.15k with the reflux ratio was 5 and number of stages 22.

Key words: Amberlyst 36, Gibbs reactor, continuous stirred tank reactor, distillation column, chosidel method.

I.INTRODUCTION

Acetic acid (HoAc) esters are a usual application¹ of reactive purification, effective to avoid the response equanimity conditions by extract many of the outcomes from the reaction location. You and colleagues² considered uninterrupted RD system of the esters the HoAc with various alcohols from range of C1 to C5. They introduced comparative relation among feasible process flow charts and stage of equanimity and also suggested a systematic method to enhance the feasible methods for minimal Total Annual Cost (TAC). The output contains a great understanding for the theoretical methods of uninterrupted (BRD) for these esters. For the Isopropyl acetate (IPOAc), C₆H₁₂O₂ and Pentyl acetate systems, binate composition of H₂O and the acetate outcomes form 2 aqueous stages, as well as the infinite pureness of H₂O (99.6 mol % at 50 °C, 99.9 mol % at 91 °C, as well as 99.9 mol % at 25 °C for IPOAC³ BuOAc⁴ and AmOAc⁵ systems,

subsequently, at 1 at m) acquired in the liquid stage.

The mentioned 3 methods have a treble minimal -boiling heterogeneous azeotrope consists of different quantity of the alcohol, ester, and H₂O. This mixture which is having same level of concentration will also have the minimum boiling point in their quadruplicate combinations, so everything will be as a composed purified outcome by a refinement segment. The BuOAc as well as AMOAC systems, like the binate composition of water and acetate outcome, the treble azeotropes normally produce a comparatively great pureness (>99.5 mol %^{4,5}) of water in the liquid stage ensuing from aqueous-liquid split.

As an outcome, batch reactive distillation (BRD) can task positively for the Butyl acetate and AmOAc systems by discharging the water from the extracts. This switch the

reaction in the convenient path, and acetate outputs can be composed in the bottom by a full diminution of the natural extracts. Venimadhavan et al. displays that Batch Reactive Distillation process can create great pureness in BuOAc as well as in H₂O without any further bifurcation steps. By the study of you and staff, we can foresee equal output for the AmOAc system. Yet, the Isopropyl acetate model, in difference to a combination of two mixtures of Isopropyl acetate and water, the treble azeotrope didn't produce a large pureness of water in the liquid stage; it is important and more exhausting to utilize Batch Reactive Distillation process for the IPOAc synthesis.

IPOAc is an essential element with an extensive manufacturing collection applied in the chemical field. It is explained as an effectual solvent for numerous synthetic resins, like ethyl cellulose, nitrocellulose, reactive acrylics, and polyepoxides, and for more natural resins like kauri and manila gums, rosin, and dammar. It can be formed as main elements in printing inks, exclusively gravure inks, eight due to its quick evaporation and low hygroscopicity. It is utilized as a solution in producing adhesives, flavoring agents, and perfumes.

It examined a Batch Reactive Distillation system for the Isopropyl acetate synthesis. They exhibit the extract is assortment and divide into 2 phases a liquid and an natural and that by extracting the liquid stage, the reaction can be switched in the convenient path. Any how they find a dare rising from a important solvability of a IPOH(soluble reactant) in the liquid stage as, recorded. This dare also remain in steady-state model of the regular Isopropyl acetate BRD process.

Dissimilar the case for MeOAc producing, 10 utilizing Acetic Acid as a carrier to abstract pure Isopropyl acetate is not possible. To decrease the damage of IPOH

in the liquid stage as well as enhance the pureness of water, it is established an exterior heterogeneous carrier. They exhibit that a Batch Reactive Distillation considering chloroform as an entrainer, along with a conceptual stages (60) s well as large reflux ratios (>80) can provide huge pureness water in a extract, and finally a combination of Isopropyl acetate through with the entrainer is settled in the vessel.

Esters are of extraordinary significance to chemical producing companies. In that acetate esters are main natural solutions extensively, use making of varnishes, ink, synthetic resins and adhesive products. The manufacture from the reactions of acid and alcohols from an acidic state. An important controversy in producing these esters is the minimum alternations from the reactions. As an output, huge capital and maximum power values are certain. The reactive distillation is a inviting way to decrease these capital as well as power costs.

Carboxylic esters like acetate esters are main natural solvents that have a large trade in universe. They often incorporate by the esterification of acid as well as alcohol. Thus, reaction absorbs a important place in the producing method of chemical companies in latest years.

The esterification reactions are shifting heat-releasing; as well as the changing is finite by chemical equanimity. The RD can interrupt the chemical equanimity by extract of the outcome, and by using heat for reaction to develop the achievement of purification. The RD is an inviting path for the less changing esterification reaction method; it can decrease power utilization as well as enhance modification. Scientists in BRD had grown fast in previous years. In the reactive distillation the outcome of biphenyl carbonate was inspected.

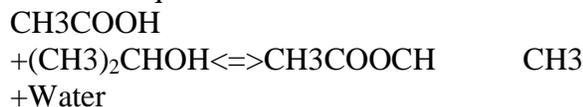
RD for the fusion of C₆H₁₂O₂ was considered. It should be noted, all esterification reactions are not convenient for conventional reactive distillation (RD) operation. Because of difficult azeotropic response of the esterification methods are unsimilar Reactive Distillation flow sheets for various esterification carboxylic acids are heated with alcohol with the help of an acid catalyst, esters are produced reactions. As a minimal boiling azeotrope and azeotropes with equal boiling point are established in C₄H₈O₂ and Isopropyl acetate methods the models are divided into 2 methods and the large pureness producing could be acquired by conventional reactive distillation.

HAC was established perpetually to continue the mixture of IPAC below than azeotropic mixture, later pureness of IPAC gained 85.97% as well as the continual reactive distillation activity gets aspects of huge outcome stability, which grab the observation of researchers.

II. PROCEDURE

2.1 DIFFERENT REACTORS IN ASPEN PLUS

Solid Catalyst Amberlyst catalyst has so far examined in the esterification and transesterification (process of exchanging the organic group R'' of an ester with the organic group R' of an alcohol) reaction, IPAC was combined by the esterification reaction about Amberlyst 36, Gibbs reactor, continuous stirred tank reactor, distillation column, chosidel method and HAC in the existence of catalyst in different reactors using Aspen Plus research. The esterification reaction of 3-isopropenyl-6-oxoheptanal IPOH and HAC is the changeable heat-releasing reaction and the chemical equation is as follows



Because of that, High conversion, up to 50% got in R-STIOC Reactor. To Increase the conversion further research done on Reactive Distillation Column using Aspen Plus.

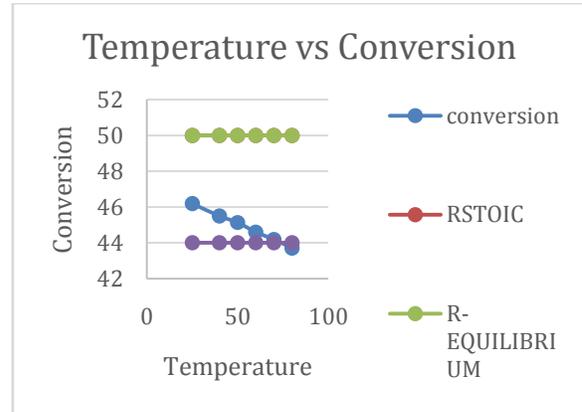


Fig. 1: Temperature vs. Conversion

2.2 SIMULATION OF DISTILLATION COLUMN IN ASPEN PLUS

The model of the RADFRAC COLUMN-RD- IN ASPEN PLUS was used for the producing the methyl acetate from the esterification mixture among acetic acid and methanol, improved with the addition of Aspen PLUS.

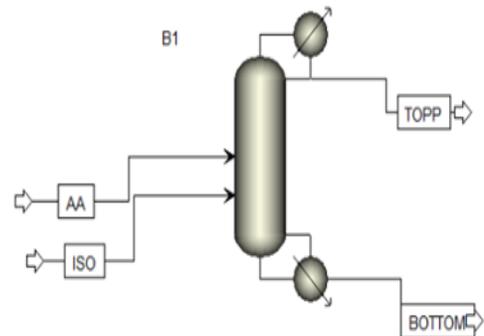


Fig. 2: RADFRAC COLUMN-RD- IN ASPEN PLUS

The chosen reactive distillation system, Acetic Acid (AA) and Isopropyl alcohol form Isopropyl acetate (IPAC) and water (H₂O). Simulations are done on a 22 tray column including a reboiler and a total condenser. Stages are numbered from top to bottom. Column specifications and other

data used for the simulations are given in Table 1. Isopropyl alcohol and acetic acid are delivered into the column that operates near atmospheric pressure. Acetic acid being heaviest component moves towards the down of the column. Other three components (Isopropyl acetate, Isopropyl alcohol, and water) pass forward to the top of the column.

For modeling an equilibrium stage in reactive distillation, MESH (Material balance, Energy balance, Summation, and Enthalpy (Enthalpy(H) is the measurement of energy in a thermo dynamic system)) equations with reaction term are used. RADFRAC uses inside-out method for the mixture of model equations. Some of Design parameters taken using Shot-cut Distillation column which are given below in table

Table. 1: COLUMN INPUTS

Parameters	Design Values
REFLUX RATIO	5
LIGHT KEY COMPONENT	ISOPROPYL ACETATE
LIGHT KEY RECOVERY	0.90
HEAVY KEY COMPONENT	WATER
HEAVY KEY RECOVERY	0.90
CONDENSER PRESSURE	1 Atmosphere
REBOILER PRESSURE	1 Atmosphere

2.3 Sensitivity analysis

At the end of model development and assumption, it (the model) was there after optimized using the optimization section of Model Analysis Tools of Aspen PLUS. The manipulated variables of the optimization were the reflux proportion as well as the reboiler duty of the model while the objective function was the maximization of

the mole fraction of Isopropyl acetate the top product of the column. The limits of the manipulated variables used in the optimization of the process are as given in table -1 The manipulated variables of the optimization was the reflux proportion and the reboiler duty of the model while the objective function was the maximization of the mole fraction of methyl acetate in the top outcome of the column. The limits of the manipulated variables used in the optimization of the process are as given in Table-1 below

RD simulation studies have used UNIQUAC (universal quasi chemical), UNIFAC (UNIQUAC Functional-group Activity Coefficients) and empirical methods for liquid phase activity model, in the present work; simulations are run for UNIFAC in Aspen Plus.

Design Parameter	Variables
Minimal reflux ratio	0.50
Actual reflux ratio	5.0
Minimal number of stages	22
Number of actual stages	24
Feed stage	8 and 12
Number of actual stages above feed	27
Reboiler heating required	11066450.5cal/sec
Condenser cooling required	13484504.8cal/sec
Distillate temperature	73.2462205⁰C

Below temperature	52.28378445⁰C
Distillate to feed fraction	0.945

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The optimum feed location was find where acetic acid is fed at tray 8 and ethanol at tray 12. The outcome of reflux ratio and bottoms rate on the ethyl acetate composition in the distillate is displayed. Control of distillate flow rate is completed by using condenser duty as framed variable, where liquid is being vented for a set point of 0.75 or more than that for the ethyl acetate distillate composition. Control of bottom flow rate is completed by using boiling duty as framed variable. The reactive distillation column for Isopropyl acetate outcome is simulated using RADFRAC (Region Identification for Realistic Operation under Uncertainty) module of ASPEN PLUS. The output displays UNIQUAC design, gives high conversion and purity in single Reactive Distillation column.

IV. CONCLUSION

We successfully got ISOPROPYL ACETATE as the top product with 50% conversion rate in reactors. Researchers are trying to improve the conversion from 50% to 75%. The reactive distillation column for Isopropyl acetate output is assumed by RADFRAC method of ASPEN PLUS. Output displays that the Wilson method for aqueous condition program with the UNIQUAC method. The hybrid project pattern address to develop the simulation prognosis, specifically in the bottom position of the column. By considering sensitivity analysis.

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