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III SEMESTER B.TECH. (BIOTECHNOLOGY) END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, Nov/Dec 2018

SUBJECT: Bioprocess Calculations [BIO 2104]

REVISED CREDIT SYSTEM

Time: 3 Hours

MAX. MARKS: 50

Instructions to Candidates:

- ✤ Answer ALL the questions.
- ✤ Missing data may be suitable assumed.

1A.	In biological systems, enzymes are used to accelerate the rates of certain biological reactions. Glucoamylase is an enzyme that aids in the conversion of starch to glucose. Experiments show that 1 μ g mol of glucoamylase in a 4% starch solution results in a production rate of glucose of 0.6 μ g mol/(mL. min). Determine the production rate of glucose for this system in the units of 1b mol/(ft ³ .day)?	2
1B.	The density of a fluid is given by $\rho = 70.5 \exp (8.27 \text{ X } 10^{-7} P)$ where, ρ is density (lb _m /ft ³) and P is pressure (lb _f /in ²) Derive the formula for ρ , g/cm ³ as a function of P (N/m ²)	3
1C.	Discuss the different steps involved in Bioprocess development with a neat flow diagram.	5
2A.	A solution of caustic soda contains 20% NaOH (MW=40) by weight. Taking density of the solution as 1.196 kg/L. find normality, molarity and molality of the solution	3
2B.	Natural gas is piped from the wall at 300 K and 400 kPa. The gas is found to contain 93 % methane, 4.5 % ethane and the rest nitrogen (mole %). Calculate the following: a) The pure component volume of ethane in 10 m ³ of the gas b) The composition in weight percent	3
2C.	Aerobic degradation of benzoic acid by a mixed culture of microorganisms can be represented by the following reaction. $C_6H_5COOH + a O_2 + b NH_3 > c C_5H_7NO_2 + d CO_2 + e H_2O$ Determine the coefficients a, b, c, d, and e where RQ=0.9	4
3A.	Find the value of the gas constant R in $\frac{m3.mmHg}{mol K}$ and $\frac{Cal}{mol K}$ using STP conditions of ideal gas.	3
3B.	3000 kg/h of solution containing 10 wt % NaOH is evaporated in the first evaporator giving a 20% NaOH solution. This is then fed in to a second evaporator, which gives a product of 50% NaOH. Calculate the following.	3

