

SUMMARY REPORT

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MASS TRANSFER

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INTRODUCTION

A preliminary survey was made in 1976 to estimate classroom time allocations to those topics generally referred to as the unit operations. This survey indicated that 1/4 of the total time was devoted to heat transfer, 1/4 to fluid flow, 3/8 to mass transfer and the remaining 1/8 to all other topics. The 1977 survey covered heat transfer and fluid flow. This year's survey deals with mass transfer and the other unit operations.

A three-page questionnaire was sent in May, 1978 to the Chairman of each chemical engineering department in the United States and Canada, together with a cover letter asking that the appropriate faculty member(s) complete and return the questionnaire. A follow-up letter was sent in August to those schools which had not responded. Of the 156 schools contacted, 111 returned completed questionnaires. This is the highest number of responses in the seven years this survey has been conducted.

SI SYSTEM OF UNITS

Both the American Chemical Society and the AIChE require that dimensions in their journals be expressed in SI units. Last year's survey showed that 2/3 of the heat transfer and fluid flow courses employ both English and SI units. 27% use only English units and 5% use only SI units. The question on dimensions in this year's questionnaire was included to discover the relative popularity of these two systems.

The results show a marked preference for the English system in mass transfer problem assignments. In 38% of the schools, the SI system is used in less than 10% of the assignments. Almost 70% of the schools use the English system in at least 75% of the assignments. From another viewpoint, the fact that about 2/3 of the schools use both systems is in close agreement with last year's study.

| <u>Percent of Assignments using SI Units</u> | <u>No. of Schools</u> |
|--|-----------------------|
| Less than 10% | 42 |
| About 25% | 36 |
| About 50% | 24 |
| About 75% | 8 |
| Over 90% | <u>1</u> |
| TOTAL | 111 |

TEXTBOOKS

Seventeen textbooks were mentioned in the 192 courses reported by the responding universities. In 11 courses, either no text was used or personal notes by the instructor constituted the text. The texts by McCabe and Smith and by Treybal were used in over half the courses. The six most popular texts were used in 87% of the courses which used texts. The other 11 books were scattered through the remaining 13% of the courses.

| <u>Authors (Publication Year)</u> | <u>No. of Courses</u> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| McCabe and Smith (1976) | 53 |
| Treybal (1968) | 45 |
| Bird, Stewart and Lightfoot (1960) | 22 |
| Bennett and Myers (1974) | 20 |
| King (1971) | 10 |
| Welty, Wicks and Wilson (1969) | 7 |
| Other texts | <u>24</u> |
| TOTAL | 181 |

COURSE ORIENTATION

Instructors were asked to judge whether their mass transfer course textbook was oriented toward the unit operations or toward transport theory. It appears that transport theory is less frequently applied to

mass transfer than to heat transfer or fluid flow. The transport approach was used in 35% of the heat transfer courses and 30% of the fluid flow courses, but only 17% of the mass transfer courses. The unit operations approach was correspondingly more popular in mass transfer (53%) than in heat transfer (40%) or fluid flow (38%).

| <u>Course Orientation</u> | <u>% of Courses</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Unit Operations | 53% |
| Transport Theory | 17% |
| Some of both | 30% |

COURSES AND COURSE LEVEL

The 110 schools responding reported a total of 192 courses devoted wholly or in part to mass transfer. This total excludes courses devoted entirely to laboratory. There were slightly more schools offering two mass transfer courses than one course.

| <u>Mass Transfer Courses</u> | <u>No. of Schools</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| One | 43 |
| Two | 53 |
| Three | 13 |
| Four | <u>1</u> |
| TOTAL | 110 |

Slightly more mass transfer courses are taught in the junior year than the senior year.

Course Level - Semester Basis

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| Sophomore year | 4% |
| Junior, Semester 1 | 25% |
| Junior, Semester 2 | 31% |
| Senior, Semester 1 | 30% |
| Senior, Semester 2 | 10% |

Course Level - Quarter Basis

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| Sophomore year | 0% |
| Junior, Quarter 1 | 11% |
| Junior, Quarter 2 | 16% |
| Junior, Quarter 3 | 27% |
| Senior, Quarter 1 | 31% |
| Senior, Quarter 2 | 13% |
| Senior, Quarter 3 | 2% |

COMPUTERS IN MASS TRANSFER COURSES

Design of multicomponent distillation columns is usually done by a computer program rather than by hand calculations. Questions about the access to multicomponent distillation programs and the relative number of assignments requiring computer solutions were placed on the questionnaire. Only 30% of the schools make a multicomponent computer program available to their mass transfer students. About 85% of the schools require 10% or less of the course problem assignments to be solved by the computer.

| <u>Percent of Assignments Requiring Computer Solution</u> | <u>No. of Schools</u> |
|---|-----------------------|
| 0% | 33 |
| 1-10% | 59 |
| 11-50% | <u>15</u> |
| TOTAL | 107 |

| <u>Access to Multicomponent Distillation Program</u> | <u>No. of Schools</u> |
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| Yes | 31 |
| No | <u>78</u> |
| TOTAL | 109 |

COURSE ADMINISTRATION

Five questions were asked regarding the conduct and content of the course.

1. Do you require students to turn in assigned problems?

| <u>Reply</u> | <u>% of Schools</u> |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Most of the time | 92%* |
| Sometimes | 5% |
| Rarely | 2% |
| Never | 1% |

* 9% wrote in "All of the time".

2. Do you use articles from the chemical engineering literature in your course?

| <u>Reply</u> | <u>% of Schools</u> |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Yes | 52% |
| No | 48% |

3. How is your course time apportioned?

| <u>Activity</u> | <u>Average of Replies</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Lecture | 59% |
| Problem solving | 26% |
| Questions and answers | 15% |

4. Do your quizzes emphasize theory or applications?

| <u>Quiz Emphasis</u> | <u>% of Schools</u> |
|---|---------------------|
| Mainly theory | 5% |
| Mainly application problems | 50% |
| About evenly split between theory and application | 45% |

5. What methods do you present for design of distillation columns?

| <u>Method</u> | <u>% of Schools*</u> |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Ponchon-Savarit | 85% |
| McCabe-Thiele | 81% |
| Thiele-Geddes | 33% |
| Other multicomponent methods | 19% |

* Most schools teach several methods

The replies to these questions show the emphasis placed on mass transfer as a practice-oriented subject. A number of instructors indicated use of the chemical engineering literature as sources of problem assignments and sources of data on new developments such as tower packing. At least half the schools teach a multicomponent distillation method in the undergraduate mass transfer course, although only 1/3 of the schools have access to an appropriate computer program in this area.

COURSE STRUCTURE

About two dozen topics were selected from textbooks recently used in mass transfer and unit operations. Instructors were asked to show the number of class sessions spent on each of these topics. Each school spent an average of 53 sessions on these topics. A 40-session course plan assumes a 15-week course meeting three times a week, with 5 sessions for quizzes. Thus, the replies indicate about 1 1/3 courses devoted to mass transfer. While a number of schools devoted two or more courses to mass transfer, few of these second and third courses were devoted exclusively to mass transfer. This is especially true for transport-oriented courses, where one course covers mass, heat and momentum transfer.

MASS TRANSFER

TOPIC TIME ALLOCATIONS

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|------------------------------|------------|-----|
| Molecular Diffusion | 5.5 | |
| Gases | 2.8 | |
| Liquids | 2.0 | |
| Solids | 0.7 | |
| Mass Transfer Coefficients | 6.0 | |
| Laminar Flow | 2.0 | |
| Turbulent Flow | 2.0 | |
| Local/Overall | 2.0 | |
| Equilibrium Stage Operations | 7.5 | |
| Principles | 4.0 | |
| Equipment | 2.2 | |
| Heat and Mass Transfer | 1.3 | |
| Humidification | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| Gas Absorption | 6.9 | |
| Single Component, Isothermal | 4.9 | |
| Multicomponent | 0.9 | |
| Non-isothermal | 1.1 | |
| Distillation | 12.3 | |
| Differential | 1.7 | |
| Multistage | 6.9 | |
| Multicomponent | 2.9 | |
| Azeotropic | 0.8 | |
| Liquid Extraction | 6.2 | |
| Equipment | 0.9 | |
| Equilibria | 1.2 | |
| Single Stage | 1.1 | |
| Multistage | 2.6 | |
| Multicomponent | 0.4 | |
| Other Unit Operations | 3.6 | |
| Adsorption | 0.38 | |
| Ion Exchange | 0.13 | |
| Drying | 1.21 | |
| Leaching | 1.07 | |
| Crystallization | 0.21 | |
| Membrane Separations | 0.18 | |
| Filtration | 0.43 | |
| Other Topics | <u>2.5</u> | |
| TOTAL | 52.9 hours | |

REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRES

The replies to the Mass Transfer questionnaires received from each school are summarized on the following pages. The following form is used:

NAME OF UNIVERSITY

- TX: Authors of text(s). Complete listings are given in the bibliography.
(Year/Semester/Class hours - lab hours)
Jr/S2/3-0 indicates a course with 3 hours classroom, 0 hours lab given in the second semester of the junior year.
- ORIENTATION: Unit operations or transport theory.
- SI PROBLEMS: Percent of problem assignments requiring SI units.
- TEXT COMMENTS: Comments on how the text could be improved.
- DIFFICULT TOPICS: What subject areas seem most difficult for the students to grasp.

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| <u>UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA</u> | <u>CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK</u> | <u>CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. Treybal 2. Treybal ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ DIFFICULT TOPICS: Design of packed towers and associated theory. | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot 2. King ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: More emphasis on solving design and operating problems in mass transfer controlled separations DIFFICULT TOPICS: Extraction using ternary diagrams; Simultaneous mass and heat transfer. | TX: 1. Geankoplis 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Case study approach to illustrate concepts. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Gas absorption HNU/NTU approach. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-DAVIS</u> | <u>CARNEGIE-MELLON UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Cover less material with more examples and explanations. TEXT COMMENTS: Most texts are good reference books but not very good for instruction. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Heat effects in gas absorption. | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot 2. Treybal ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: Better correlation between transport phenomena and applications. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion theory. | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Extend section on humidity design in McCabe & Smith. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Bulk flow term in Fick's Law. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF AUBURN</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES</u> | <u>CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. Smith ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: Much material simpler to understand. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion theory. | TX: 1. Edwards, Denny & Millis, 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: 1. "Transfer Processes" SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 DIFFICULT TOPICS: Bulk flow term in Fick's Law. | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: About 1/4 SI PROBLEMS: Make texts more readable. TEXT COMMENTS: Make texts more readable. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Abortion, basic notation of diffusion. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-SANTA BARBARA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI</u> |
| TX: 1. Treybal or McCabe & Smith 2. Smith ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Simple exercise problems are needed prior to the more difficult comprehensive problems at the end of the chapters. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion, Gas Absorption. | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers 2. Bennett & Myers ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: More theoretical discussion of transport phenomena is needed. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Simultaneous heat, mass and momentum transport. | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. McCabe & Wilson ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: Unit Op. |
| <u>AUBURN UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</u> | <u>COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion | TX: 1. Treybal ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion |

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| <u>UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO</u> | <u>CROVE CITY COLLEGE</u> | TX: 1. Notes ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 3/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Continuous contact modeling. | (Jr/1/1) | <u>UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS</u> | TX: 1. Treybal 2. Treybal ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Distillation seems a mystery to some. | (Jr/1/1) |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT</u> | | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> More illustrative problems. | (Jr/1/0) | <u>KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | TX: 1. Treybal ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 | (Sr/2/0) |
| <u>CORNELL UNIVERSITY</u> | | TX: 1. None ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 | (Jr/1/0) | <u>UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY</u> | TX: 1. Treybal 2. Treybal ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Separate the staged and rate Portions into separate sections of the book. Introduce a number of computer-oriented problems. <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Simultaneous heat and mass transfer. | (Jr/2/0) (Jr/3/0) |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO</u> | | TX: 1. Thomson & Smith 2. Smith & Van Ness ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Multicomponent operations in general. | (Jr/3/2) (Jr/1/0) | <u>UNIVERSITY OF IOWA</u> | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2. Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: 1. Less than 10%; 2. About 1/2 <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> More diverse illustrations: Treat all stage equilibrium processes alike. <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Relating triangular solvent-free phase diagrams. | (Sr/2/0) (Sr/3/0) |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE</u> | | TX: 1. King 2. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Give text to computer solutions. | (Sr/2/0) (Jr/3/0) | <u>LAFAYETTE COLLEGE</u> | TX: 1. Treybal ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 3/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Mass transfer-heat transfer analogy; humidification. | (Sr/4/1) |
| <u>Drexel University</u> | | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers 2. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2. Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Problems in SI units. <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Gas absorption with chemical reaction; Multicomponent distillation. | (Jr/1/0) (Jr/3/0) | <u>LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith 2. McCabe & Smith, Dennett & Myers ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: 1. Less than 10%; 2. About 1/2 <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Better integration of theory and design problems. <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Non-ideal vapor-liquid equilibria. | (Jr/4/0) (Sr/4/0) |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE</u> | | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith and Treybal ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Redo over 1/2 of the mass transfer material. | (Jr/3/0) | <u>UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND</u> | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Difficult topics: Diffusion | (Jr/3/0) |
| <u>MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</u> | | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot 2. King ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% | (Jr/4/0) (Sr/3/0) | <u>UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS</u> | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith and Bird 2. King ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% | (Jr/4/0) (Sr/3/0) |
| <u>MC NEESE STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | | TX: 1. Sherwood, Pigford & Wilke 2. King ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | (Jr/3/0) | <u>UNIVERSITY OF LAMAR</u> | TX: 1. Treybal ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Give more illustrations and problems in SI units. <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Mass transfer coefficient under different conditions. | (Sr/3/1) |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF WILMINGTON</u> | | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers or Walty, Wicks and Wilson ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Transport phenomena, About 1/2 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Multicomponent diffusion. | (Jr/4/0) (Sr/3/0) | | | |

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| <u>MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO</u> | <u>NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. Bennett & Myers or 2. McCabe & Smith (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Jr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Simultaneous mass and heat transfer; multicomponent distillation. | TX: 1. Skelland: "Diffusional Mass Transfer" (Jr/4/0). ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Extraction. |
| <u>MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA</u> | <u>OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/6/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | TX: 1. Geankoplis (Jr/4/0) 2. Geankoplis (Jr/5/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2. Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Boundary conditions at interfaces. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA-RENO</u> | <u>OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/6/0) | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Jr/3/0) 2. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2. Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Physical interpretation, mathematics. | TX: 1. Welty, Wicks & Wilson (Jr/4/0) 2. Treyball (sr/5/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2. Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Boundary layer and turbulent eddy transfer. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-COLUMBIA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA</u> |
| TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (sr/3/0) 2. King (sr/3/0) 3. Smith (sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Transport SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA</u> | <u>PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. Bennett & Myers or 2. Bennett & Myers or McCabe & Smith (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. Foust, et al (Jr/2/31) ORIENTATION: Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/4/0) 2. Treyball (sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Phase Equilibria and Differential Absorption |
| <u>NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA</u> | <u>NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. Foust, et al (sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Change to Treyball, Diffusion, Drying. | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Unit Op., 2. Transport SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Change order of McCabe-Thiele & Ponchon-Savarit Methods. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-ROLLA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-COLUMBIA</u> | |
| TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. Foust, et al (sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Extension of mass transfer theory to applications. | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/4/0) 2. Treyball (sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 <u>DIFFICULT TOPICS:</u> Phase Equilibria and Differential Absorption |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-ROLLA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-COLUMBIA</u> | |
| TX: 1. Foust, et al (Jr/5/0) 2. Bennett & Myers (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Jr/4/0) 2. Bennett & Myers (sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Unit Op.; 2. Some of both. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% <u>TEXT COMMENTS:</u> Expansion of treatment of multicomponent sections. | TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (Jr/4/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (sr/4/0) 3. King (sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2, 3. Unit op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% |

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| <u>PRINCETON UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE</u> | <u>TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. Welty, Wicks & Wilson (Jr/1/3) 2. Smith (So/3/6) | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/2/0) 2. Bennett & Myers (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) 3. Chemical Engineers' Handbook (Sr/3/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) |
| ORIENTATION: Transport SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 | ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Clean up the mass transfer coefficient stuff. It appears unnecessarily intimidating in Treybal. | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: More example problems. |
| TEXT TOPICS: Material on order-of-magnitude estimates to identify controlling phenomena. | TEXT TOPICS: Various types of mass transfer coefficients. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Bridge between exact equations and empirical correlations for transfer coefficients. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Multicomponent distillation. |
| <u>PURDUE UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>TEXAS A&I UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (So/2/0) 2. Greenkorn & Kessler (Jr/5/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (Sr/2/0) | TX: 1. Holland (Sr/3/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) |
| ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Additional example problems needed. | ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Modeling differential equations. | ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Change notation, pay more attention to thermodynamics. |
| DIFFICULT TOPICS: Anything with partial differential equations. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Distillation, extraction. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Leaching, Absorption. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Phase equilibria, convective and diffusive contributions to mass flux in a fixed coordinate frame. |
| <u>RENNSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE</u> | <u>SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MINES</u> | <u>TEXAS A&I UNIVERSITY</u> | |
| TX: 1. Welty, Wicks & Wilson (Sr/1/0) 2. Smith (Jr/2/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) 2. McCabe & Smith (Sr/2/0) | TX: 1. Holland (Sr/3/0) | |
| ORIENTATION: 1. Transport; 2. Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: More descriptive materials on Unit Operations. | |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</u> | <u>TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY</u> | |
| TX: 1. Treybal (Jr/2/0) 2. Treybal (Jr/2/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/4/0) 2. Geankoplis (Jr/3/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/1/0) | |
| ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Text is being revised and SI units will be used. | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Eliminate the errors. TEXT COMMENTS: Molecular Diffusion, Absorption. | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% | |
| <u>UIUC UNIVERSITY</u> | | <u>UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA</u> | |
| TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (Sr/3/0) 2. Various texts (Jr/3/0) | | TX: 1. Welty, Wicks and Wilson (Jr/3/1) 2. Bennett & Myers (Jr/3/1) | |
| ORIENTATION: Transport | | ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Unsteady state analysis; cooling towers. | |

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| <u>UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO</u> | <u>TUFTS UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF TULSA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) | TX: 1. Coulson & Richardson, (Jr/3/0) | TX: 1. Welty, Wicks and Wilson (Jr/3/1) |
| ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 | ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: More practical applications; more Pictures of actual equipment. | ORIENTATION: 1. Unit Op.; 2. Transport SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: More example problems. | ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Unsteady state analysis; cooling towers. |
| TEXT COMMENTS: Material on order-of-magnitude estimates to identify controlling phenomena. | TEXT COMMENTS: Less than 10% DIFFICULT TOPICS: triangular phase diagrams in liquid-liquid extraction. | TEXT COMMENTS: Modeling differential equations. | TEXT COMMENTS: More example problems. |
| DIFFICULT TOPICS: Bridge between exact equations and empirical correlations for transfer coefficients. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Various types of mass transfer coefficients. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Distillation. | DIFFICULT TOPICS: Multicomponent distillation. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-AUSTIN</u> | | | |
| TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (Jr/3/0) | | | |
| ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Continuous countercurrent contacting is more difficult than stagewise. | | | |
| TEXT COMMENTS: More applications, but by an author who understands the applied field. | | | |
| DIFFICULT TOPICS: Distillation, extraction. | | | |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF TULSA</u> | | | |
| TX: 1. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (Jr/3/0) | | | |
| ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Continuous countercurrent contacting is more difficult than stagewise. | | | |
| TEXT COMMENTS: Modeling differential equations. | | | |
| DIFFICULT TOPICS: Distillation. | | | |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA</u> | | | |
| TX: 1. Coulson & Richardson, (Jr/3/0) | | | |
| ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10% TEXT COMMENTS: Cooling towers. | | | |
| TEXT COMMENTS: More practical applications; more Pictures of actual equipment. | | | |
| DIFFICULT TOPICS: Unsteady state analysis. | | | |

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| <u>UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON-SEATTLE</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE</u> | <u>LAVAL UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Emphasize similarities between operations rather than treating each topic as unique. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion controlled operations; simultaneous mass and heat transfer. | TX: 1. Sherwood, Pigford & Wilke (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: Better sections on gas absorption and air-water contact operations. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Two film theory of gas absorption. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Needs more "real life" problems. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Getting a physical feel for reference frames. | TX: 1. None (Jr/5/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 3/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Need a single unified book (not too long) on both Unit Operations and transport phenomena. |
| <u>WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE</u> | <u>ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE</u> | <u>MCMASTER UNIVERSITY</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: Better sections on gas absorption and air-water contact operations. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Two film theory of gas absorption. | TX: 1. Stewart & Lightfoot (Jr/5/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 3/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Needs more "real life" problems. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Getting a physical feel for reference frames. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/2/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: Need a single unified book (not too long) on both Unit Operations and transport phenomena. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Need a single unified book (not too long) on both Unit Operations and transport phenomena. |
| <u>UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO</u> |
| TX: 1. Fouast, et al (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 | TX: 1. Brid, Stewart & Lightfoot (Jr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Book combining transport phenomena and mass transfer correlations. | TX: 1. Bennett & Myers (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: Continuous contacting concentrated solutions. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: Book combining transport phenomena and mass transfer correlations. |
| <u>WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO</u> | <u>NOVA SCOTIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO</u> |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 DIFFICULT TOPICS: Humidification. | TX: 1. Treybal (Jr/4/0) 2. King (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: 1. Unit Op., 2. Transport SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ DIFFICULT TOPICS: Diffusion. | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/3) 2. Treybal (Sr/2/3) J. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: 1,2. Unit Op., 3. Transport SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: More theoretical treatment in course 1. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: General continuing equation. |
| <u>WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO</u> |
| TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: Less than 10 ¹ TEXT COMMENTS: More design information, difficult topics: Gas absorption and humidification. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/3/2) 2. Treybal (Sr/2/2) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 3/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Should have more worked out problems. DIFFICULT TOPICS: Correct usage of k and P values. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Convert part of course to SI units. | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/1) 2. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/1) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: Significance of the mass transfer coefficient. |
| <u>WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY</u> | <u>UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY</u> | <u>WIDENER COLLEGE</u> | |
| TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Jr/3/2) 2. Bonnett & Myers (Jr/3/2) ORIENTATION: 1. Unit Op., 2. Transport SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: Emphasize similarities between separations. | TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/3/0) 2. Treybal (Sr/3/0) ORIENTATION: Unit Op. SI PROBLEMS: About 3/4 TEXT COMMENTS: Packed column design. | TX: 1. Treybal (Sr/4/0) ORIENTATION: Both SI PROBLEMS: About 1/2 TEXT COMMENTS: Add furnace design. | |

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

TX: 1. McCabe & Smith (Sr/4/0)
ORIENTATION: Unit Op.
SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4
TEXT: COHENERS: Stress more analytical
techniques, including computer
analysis of mass transfer systems.
DIFFICULT TOPICS: Distillation
(enthalpy-concentration).

ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

TX: 1. Treyball (Jr/4/2)
ORIENTATION: Unit Op.
SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4
TEXT: Comments: Provide introductory
Chapter on transport phenomena
approach to mass transfer.
DIFFICULT TOPICS: Vector notation;
similarity transformation.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK-BUFFALO

TX: 1. Bennett & Myers; Welty,
Wicks & Wilson (Jr/3/1)
ORIENTATION: Transport
SI PROBLEMS: About 1/4
TEXT: COMMENTS: Some organizational
changes.

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

TX: 1. Treyball (Jr/3/0)
2. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot (Jr/3/0)
ORIENTATION: 1. Both 2. transport
SI PROBLEMS: less than 1/4
TEXT: Comments: Treatment of degrees of
freedom for equipment and processes.
DIFFICULT TOPICS: Treatments of inter-
facial conditions, nature and
direction of mass transfer driving
forces.

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ST I - GENERAL INFORMATIONCourse Identification

| <u>Course Catalog Number</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Hrs/Wk</u> | <u>Year</u> | <u>Sem/Qtr</u> |
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| | | <u>Class</u> <u>Lab</u> | <u>(Circle)</u> | <u>(Circle)</u> |
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| 2 | | | Jr/Sr | 1 2 3 |
| 3 | | | Jr/Sr | 1 2 3 |

Course Resources/Class Data (Please attach a course outline)

| <u>Course Number</u> | <u>Text (Author, Title, Ed.)</u> | <u>Class Size</u> | <u>%**</u> | <u>RE*</u> <u>(Circle)</u> |
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| 1 | | | | R E |
| 2 | | | | R E |
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* Required (R) or Elective (E) Course

** % of Course Allocated to Mass Transfer (if other than 100%)

Time AllocationsWeeks per (Semester/Quarter) (Circle 1)Minutes per Class Session (based on three sessions/week)

(do, do not) plan to attend the Miami meeting.

Do you use any demonstrations or films in the classroom? If so, please elaborate.

Would you classify the text as unit operations oriented (e.g. McCabe & Smith) or transport phenomena (e.g. Bird, Stewart & Lightfoot) oriented? (Circle 1)

Unit Op. Transport Some of Both Neither

What portion of the problem assignments are solved in SI units (as contrasted with English units)? (Circle 1)

Less than 10% About 1/4 About 1/2 About 3/4 More than 90%

Is this text used as the principal text for another course? If so, please give course title.

5. About what percent of the assignments require use of a digital or analog computer? (Express to nearest 10%) _____ %
6. Do you require students to turn in assigned problems? (Circle 1)
Most of the time Sometimes Rarely Never
7. Do you supplement your lectures with articles from the chemical engineering literature? (e.g. Chemical Engineering, I/EC, CEP) If so, how are these articles used?
8. Approximately what percent of your course time is devoted to lecture _____ % problem solving _____ %, questions and answers _____ %.
9. Are your tests
a. mainly theory
b. mainly application problems
c. about evenly split between a and b.
10. What are some typical students' reactions upon completion of the course?
What topics, if any, seems particularly difficult for the student?
11. If you were revising the text for the course, what additions or changes would you make?
12. Which methods do you cover in distillation (e.g. Ponchon-Savarit, Thiele-Geddes)?
13. Do students have access to a multi-component distillation computer program If so, which?

PART II - TOPICS IN MASS TRANSFERCourse # a SessionsMolecular Diffusion

Gases _____

Liquids _____

Solids _____

Mass Transfer Coefficients

Laminar Flow _____

Turbulent Flow _____

Local/Overall _____

Equilibrium Stage Operations

Principles _____

Equipment _____

1 Simultaneous Heat & Mass TransferHumidificationGas Absorption

Single Component, Isothermal _____

Non-isothermal _____

Multicomponent _____

Distillation

Differential _____

Multistage _____

Multicomponent _____

Azeotropic _____

Course # a SessionsLiquid Extraction

Equipment _____

Equilibria _____

Single Stage _____

Multistage _____

Multicomponent _____

PART III - OTHER UNIT OPERATIONSAdsorptionIon Exchange

Drying _____

Leaching _____

Crystallization _____

Membrane SeparationsFiltration

a From Part IA