

CHAPTER IV

MATHEMATICAL MODEL

In dynamic simulation of distillation column, the conventional empirical methods are replaced by the rigorous calculation using mathematical models. In the present work two models, one for debutanizer column and one for thermodynamic models have been developed for process simulation.

4.1 Dynamic model development for multicomponent distillation column

Dynamic model of multicomponent distillation is similar to the steady state model but the dynamic model would consider accumulative term in each equation. The mathematical model for a multicomponent, nonideal column with NC component, nonequimolar overflow and inefficient trays will be developed with the following assumption:

1. Liquid on the tray is perfectly mixed and incompressible
2. Tray vapor holdups are negligible
3. Dynamic of the condenser and the reboiler will be neglected
4. Vapor and liquid are in thermal equilibrium (same temperature) but not in phase equilibrium. A Murphree vapor-phase efficiency will be used to describe the departure from equilibrium.

$$E_{nj} = \frac{Y_{nj} - Y^{T_{n-1,j}}}{Y^{*_{nj}} - Y^{T_{n-1,j}}} \quad (4-1)$$

Where $Y^{*_{nj}}$ = composition of vapor in phase equilibrium with liquid on n^{th} tray with composition X_{nj}

Y_{nj} = actual composition of vapor leaving n^{th} tray

$Y^{T_{n-1,j}}$ = actual composition of vapor entering n^{th} tray

Enj = Murphree vapor efficiency for j^{th} component on n^{th} tray

Multiple feeds, both liquid and vapor, and side stream draw off, both liquid and vapor are permitted. A general n^{th} tray is sketched in Fig 4-1. Nomenclature is summarized in Table 4-1. the equations describing this tray are:

Total continuity :

$$\frac{dMn}{dt} = L_{n+1} + F_n^L + F_{n-1}^V + V_{n-1} - V_n - L_n - \underline{S_n^L} - \underline{S_n^V} \quad 4-2)$$

Component Continuity equation :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(MnX_{nj})}{dt} = & L_{n+1}X_{n+1,j} + F_n^L X_{nj}^F + F_{n-1}^V Y_{n-1,j}^F + V_{n-1}Y_{n-1,j} \\ & - V_n Y_{nj} - L_n X_{nj} - S_n^L X_{nj} - S_n^V Y_{nj} \end{aligned} \quad 4-3)$$

Energy equation :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(MnUn)}{dt} = & L_{n+1}h_{n+1} + F_n^L h_n^F + F_{n-1}^V H_{n-1}^F + V_{n-1}H_{n-1} - V_n H_n \\ & - L_n H_n - S_n^L h_n - S_n^V H_n \end{aligned} \quad 4-4)$$

Where h = Liquid Enthalpies, BTU/mole
 H = Vapor Enthalpies, BTU/mole
 U = Internal energy, BTU/mole

The Francis weir formula :

$$F_L = 3.33 \text{ lh}^{3/2} \quad 4-5)$$

Where F_L = liquid rate, ft^3 / sec

- l = length of weir, ft.
 h = height of liquid over weir, ft.

Phase equilibrium :

$$Y^*_{nj} = f(X_{nj}, P_n, T_n) \quad 4-6)$$

Thermal properties :

$$h_n = f(X_{nj}, T_n) \quad 4-7)$$

$$H_n = f(Y_{nj}, T_n, P_n) \quad 4-8)$$

$$h_n^F = f(X_{nj}^F, T_n^F) \quad 4-9)$$

$$H_n^F = f(Y_{nj}^F, T_n^F, P_n) \quad 4-10)$$

4.2 Thermodynamics functions from cubic equation of state

4.2.1 Fugacity Coefficient

Fugacity coefficient was proposed as a more convenient function for use in making equilibrium calculations. Expressions for computing the fugacity coefficients from P-V-T data are obtained by starting with the equations relating free energy and fugacity with volume and pressure and integrating to pure real datum points, Fugacity coefficients can be evaluated from an equation of state that has been fitted to PVT data. For this purpose the equation of state must fit the PVT data of the pure components and the mixture as well. These data fits are accomplished by developing a set of constants for each component and then combining these constants to get constants for any mixture

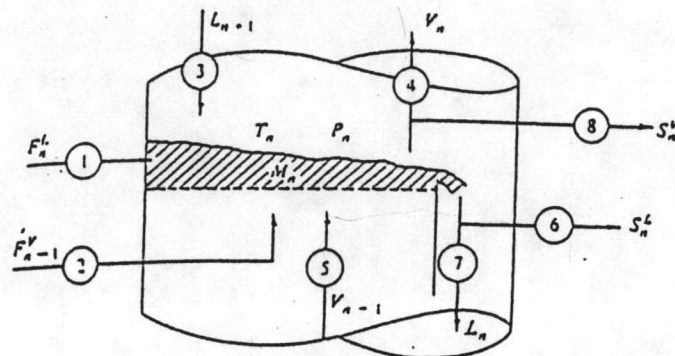


Figure 4-1 A general Nth tray

Number	Flow Rate	Composition	Temperature
1	F_n^V	X_{nj}^F	T_n^F
2	F_{n-1}^V	$Y_{n-1, j}^F$	T_{n-1}^F
3	L_{n+1}	$X_{n+1, j}$	T_{n+1}
4	V_n	Y_{nj}	T_n
5	V_{n-1}	$Y_{n-1, j}$	T_{n-1}
6	S_n^L	X_{nj}	T_n
7	L_n	X_{nj}	T_n
8	S_n^V	Y_{nj}	T_n

Table 4-1 Nomenclature of Nth tray

Source : William L. Luyben, Process Modeling, Simulation and Control for Chemical Engineers, pp 71, Mc Graw-Hill publishing company, Second Edition, 1990

of the components. The followings express the fugacity coefficient from GRK, SRK and PR equation of state.

$$\ln \phi_i = \frac{1}{RT} \int_a^v \left[\frac{RT}{V} - \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial n_i} \right)_{T,V,n_j} \right] dv - \ln Z \quad 4-11)$$

GRK equation of state :

$$\ln \phi_i = (Z-1) \frac{Bi}{B} - \ln(Z-BP) - \frac{A^2}{B} \left(2 \frac{Ai}{A} - \frac{Bi}{B} \right) \ln \left(1 + \frac{BP}{Z} \right) \quad 4-12)$$

$$a_i = 0.0278 R^2 T_c^{2.5} / P_c$$

$$b_i = 0.0867 RT_c / P_c$$

$$A_i = a_i^{0.5} / RT^{1.25} \quad 4-13)$$

$$B_i = b_i / RT \quad 4-14)$$

$$A = \sum y_i A_i \quad 4-15)$$

$$B = \sum y_i B_i \quad 4-16)$$

SRK equation of state :

$$\ln \phi_i = \frac{b_i}{b} \left(\frac{PV}{RT} - 1 \right) - \ln \left(\frac{PV}{RT} - B \right) - \frac{A}{B} \left(2 \frac{a_i^{0.5}}{a^{0.5}} - \frac{b_i}{b} \right) \ln \left(1 + B \frac{RT}{PV} \right) \quad 4-17)$$

$$b_i = 0.08664 \frac{RT_c i}{P_c i}$$

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i b_i$$

$$b = 0.08664 R \sum_{i=1}^N X_i T_{ci} / P_{ci} \quad 4-18)$$

$$a_i = 0.42748 \frac{R^2 T_{ci}^2}{P_{ci}} \alpha$$

$$a = \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j (a_i a_j)^{0.5} (1 - K_{ij})$$

$$a = 0.42748 R^2 \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j \frac{T_{ci} T_{cj}}{(P_{ci} P_{cj})^{0.5}} (1 - K_{ij}) \alpha \quad 4-19)$$

$$\alpha^{1/2} = 1 + (0.480 + 1.57\omega - 0.176\omega^2)(1 - \text{Tr}^{1/2}) \quad 4-20)$$

$$A = \frac{aP}{R^2 T^2} \quad 4-21)$$

$$B = \frac{bP}{RT} \quad 4-22)$$

PR equation of state :

$$\ln \phi_i = \frac{b_i}{b} (Z-1) - \ln(Z-B) - \frac{A}{2\sqrt{2}B} \left(\frac{2 \sum_{k=1}^N x_k a_{ki}}{a} - \frac{b_i}{b} \right) \left(\frac{Z+2.414B}{Z-0.414B} \right) \quad 4-23)$$

$$b_i = 0.07780 \frac{RT_{ci}}{P_{ci}}$$

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i b_i$$

$$b = 0.07780 R \sum \frac{X_i T_{ci}}{P_{ci}} \quad 4-24)$$

$$ai = 0.45724 \frac{R^2 T_{ci}^2}{P_{ci}} [1 + m(1 - Tr^{1/2})]^2$$

$$a = 0.45724^2 \sum_i \sum_j x_i x_j \frac{T_{ci} T_{cj}}{P_{ci}^{0.5} P_{cj}^{0.5}} [1 + m_i(1 - T_i^{1/2})] [1 + m_j(1 - T_j^{1/2})] (1 - k_{ij}) \quad 4-25)$$

$$m = 0.37464 + 1.54226 \omega - 0.26992\omega^2 \quad 4-26)$$

$$A = \frac{aP}{R^2 T^2} \quad 4-27)$$

$$B = \frac{bP}{RT} \quad 4-28)$$

$$Z = \frac{PV}{RT} \quad 4-29)$$

4.2.2 Enthalpy Departure

$$\frac{H - H^*}{RT} = Z - 1 + \frac{1}{RT} \int_a^v \left[T \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_v - P \right] dv \quad 4-30)$$

H^* is an enthalpy of ideal gas,

$$H^* = \sum_i^N x_i H_i^*$$

$$H_i^* = \int_{T_0}^T C_{PV}^o dT = \int_{T_0}^T (a_1 + a_2 T + a_3 T^2 + a_4 T^3 + a_5 T^4) dT$$

$$H_i^* = a_1 T + \frac{a_2}{2} T^2 + \frac{a_3}{3} T^3 + \frac{a_4}{4} T^4 + \frac{a_5}{5} T^5 \quad 4-31)$$

a_1 through a_5 are constant.

GRK equation of state:

$$\frac{H-H^*}{RT} = Z - 1 - 1.5 \frac{A^2}{B} * \ln \left(1 + \frac{BP}{Z} \right) \quad 4-32)$$

$$a_i = 0.0278 R^2 T_c^{2.5} / P_c$$

$$b_i = 0.0867 RT_c / P_c$$

$$A_i = a_i^{0.5} / RT^{1.25}$$

$$B_i = b / RT$$

$$A = \sum y_i A_i$$

$$B = \sum y_i B_i$$

$$Z = \frac{PV}{RT}$$

SRK equation of state :

$$\frac{H-H^*}{RT} = Z - 1 - \frac{A}{B} \left[1 - \frac{T}{a} \left(\frac{da}{dT} \right) \right] \ln \left(1 + \frac{B}{Z} \right) \quad 4-33)$$

$$T \left(\frac{da}{dT} \right) = \sum_i \sum_j x_i x_j m_j (a_i a_{cj} T_{ij})^{0.5} (1 - K_{ij}) \quad 4-34)$$

$$b_i = 0.08664 \frac{RT_c i}{P_c i}$$

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i B_i$$

$$b = 0.08664 R \sum_{i=1}^N X_i T_{ci} / P_{ci}$$

$$a_i = 0.42748 \frac{R^2 T_{ci}^2}{P_{ci}} \alpha$$

$$a = \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j (a_i a_j)^{0.5} (1 - K_{ij})$$

$$a = 0.42748 R^2 \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j \frac{T_{ci} T_{cj}}{(P_{ci} P_{cj})^{0.5}} (1 - K_{ij}) \alpha$$

$$\alpha^{1/2} = 1 + (0.480 + 1.57\omega - 0.176\omega^2) (1 - T_r^{1/2})$$

$$A = \frac{aP}{R^2 T^2}$$

$$B = \frac{bP}{RT}$$

PR equation of state :

$$\frac{H - H^*}{RT} = Z - 1 - \frac{A}{2.8284B} \left[1 - \frac{T}{a} \frac{da}{dT} \right] * \ln \left[\frac{Z + 2.4142 * B}{Z - 0.4142 * B} \right] \quad 4-35)$$

$$T \left(\frac{da}{dT} \right) = \sum_i \sum_j x_i x_j m_j (a_{ci} a_{cj} T_j^{0.5}) * (1 - K_{ij}) \quad 4-36)$$

$$b_i = 0.07780 \frac{RT_{ci}}{P_{ci}}$$

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i b_i$$

$$b = 0.07780 R \sum \frac{X_i T_{ci}}{P_{ci}}$$

$$ai = 0.45724 \frac{R^2 T_{ci}^2}{P_{ci}} [1 + m(1 - T_r^{1/2})]^2$$

$$a = 0.45724^2 \sum_i \sum_j x_i x_j \frac{T_{ci} T_{cj}}{P_{ci}^{0.5} P_{cj}^{0.5}} [1 + m_i(1 - T_{ri}^{1/2})] [1 + m_j(1 - T_{rj}^{1/2})] (1 - k_{ij})$$

$$m = 0.37464 + 1.54226 \omega - 0.26992 \omega^2$$

$$A = \frac{aP}{R^2 T^2}$$

$$B = \frac{bP}{RT}$$

$$Z = \frac{PV}{RT}$$