

Example 6.1 Open Steam separation of MeOH / water.

Feed 60% MeOH
40% Water
Two Phase $V_F/F = 0.3$
 $m_F = 350 \text{ kg mole/h}$
 $Q_{col} = 0$ insulated.
Total condenser.
Reflux is sat'd liq.
 $L/D = 3$

Require $x_D = 95\%$
 $x_B = 8\%$
Injected with sat'd steam
(second feed?)
1 atm operation.

Calc: N_{stage}
 $N_{Feed opt.}$

- ① Draw Column schematic Fig 6-1
- ② Check CMO $\lambda_M = 8.43 \text{ kcal/gmole}$
 $\lambda_W = 9.72$
 $\therefore$ Variation $\approx 15\%$ CMO not great but utilize
- ③ Derive top op line (upper ---- CV)
 $\frac{MB}{Tot}: V_{j+1} = L_j + D$
 $\frac{MB}{MVC}: y_{j+1} V_{j+1} = L_j x_j + D x_D$
- ④ Assume CMO $\therefore V_j = V \quad L_j = L$

$$\therefore y_{j+1} = \frac{L}{V} x_j + \left(1 - \frac{L}{D}\right) x_D$$

⑤ Observe $\text{slope} = L/V$
 $y_{\text{int}} = (x=0) = \left(1 - \frac{L}{V}\right) x_D$

⑥ Consider reflux (sat'd liq.)

$$V_1 = L_0 + D \quad (\text{see Fig})$$

$$\therefore V = L_0 + D$$

$$\therefore \frac{L}{V} = \frac{L_0}{L_0 + D} = \frac{L_0/D}{L_0/D + 1} \quad \sim \text{given}$$

$$\frac{L}{V} = \frac{3}{4} \quad (\text{slope top op line})$$

⑦ Feed line

$$y = \frac{q}{q-1} x + \frac{z}{1-q}$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{q}{q-1} = \frac{0.7}{-0.3} = -\frac{7}{3}$$

$$y_{\text{int}} = (x=0) = \frac{z}{1-q} \quad \sim \text{book error p160}$$

$$q \equiv \frac{\bar{L} - L}{F} \equiv \frac{\bar{V} - V + F}{F} = \frac{F}{F} - \frac{V_F}{F}$$

$$q = 1 - \frac{V_F}{F}$$

⑧ Bottom Op Line (see ---- bot sect)

$$\frac{MB}{Tot} : \quad \bar{V} + B = \bar{L} + S \quad \sim \text{steam injected}$$

$$\frac{MB}{MVC}$$

$$\bar{V} y + B x_B = \bar{L} x + S y_s$$

← dropped subscripts

Pure Steam is $y_s = 0$

Sat'd Steam is $S = \bar{V}$

and $B = \bar{L}$

(no liquid added due to addition of steam)

Bot Op Line solved for y

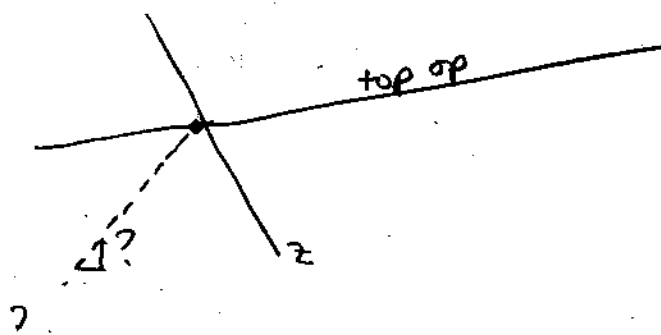
$$y = \left(\frac{\bar{L}}{\bar{V}}\right)x - \left(\frac{\bar{L}}{\bar{V}}\right)x_B \quad (6-1)$$

(Not identical w/
reboiler type)

$$\text{slope} = \frac{\bar{L}}{\bar{V}} \quad (\text{unk})$$

$$y_{\text{int}} = (x=0) = -\left(\frac{\bar{L}}{\bar{V}}\right)x_B \quad (\text{unk})$$

We do know the bot op line "attaches"
to the top op line at the feed line
intersection.



However solve 6-1 for $y=0$ ∴

$x = x_B$ is the other
end of the op. line
(see Fig 6-2)

Note This is not on the diagonal.

With the above, we can complete the stepping off process.

Construct TOL at $y=x=x_D=0.95$

$$\text{slope} = 3/4$$

$$(\text{or } y_{\text{int}} = (1 - \frac{L}{V}) x_D = 0.2375)$$

Construct FOL

$$\text{slope} = -7/3$$

$$y=x=z=0.6$$

Construct BOL

TOL int FOL

$$x_{\text{int}} = (y=0) = x_B = 0.08$$

From Fig 6-2

$$N_{\text{stage}} \simeq 5 \quad (\text{no reboiler})$$

$$\text{Act. } N_{\text{stage}} = 4.92$$

$$N_{\text{Feed}} = 4$$

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