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PREFACE

This dissertation is concerned with providing an improved means of recycle convergence in block-type chemical process simulation. Several acceleration algorithms are tested on fourteen process problems. The problems represent industrial application, academic comparisons, and extreme test cases. Various modes of interaction are described with reference to the problems. None of the literature models are suitable for all these problems. Consequently, a modification of the Bounded Wegstein method is proposed, tested, and found to be superior to the other techniques. The result of using the new method is a general reduction in computer time and process iterations at a modest investment of computer core storage.

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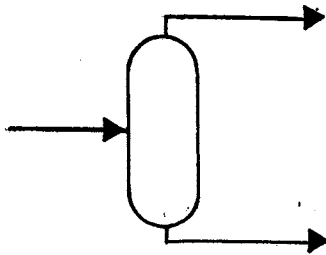
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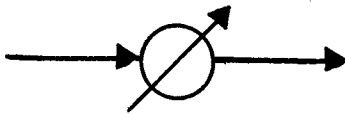
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| A | exponential factor for decay model |
| $^{\circ}\text{API}$ | API gravity |
| b | molar component flow rate of a component in the bottom stream from a distillation column |
| C | criterion parameter |
| d | molar component flow rate of a component in the distillate stream from a distillation column |
| E_A | desired fraction absorption |
| $f(X)$ | individual component function of molar flow rate |
| $\bar{f}(\bar{X})$ | calculated from stream vector \bar{X} |
| $\left \frac{\partial f(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right $ | Jacobian of stream vectors |
| F | fresh feed for split fraction technique; also feed to process module |
| HK | heavy key component |
| i | the ith component |
| I | identity matrix (k x k) |
| K | equilibrium constant |
| k | the number of components in the system |
| L | total molar liquid flow |
| LK | light key component |
| n | the iteration number |
| NBPT | normal boiling point, $^{\circ}\text{F}$ |

$|P|$ process matrix for split fraction method
 $|q|$ linear parameter matrix for forcing method
 q_i the linear Wegstein parameter for component i
 V total vapor flow
 X individual componential molar flow rate
 \bar{X} stream vector; also total feed vector for split fraction technique
 \bar{X}_0 initial guess for stream vector
 z Orbach and Crowe damping factor
 z_{jm} fraction of feed to j th module to product m of the module
 $\bar{\alpha}$ true solution vector
 γ_n error vector between calculated and true solution
 Δ tolerance value
 λ Orbach and Crowe application parameter

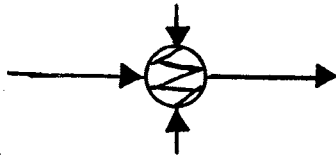
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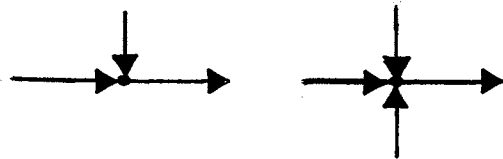
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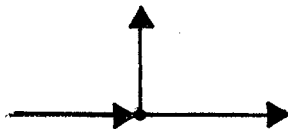
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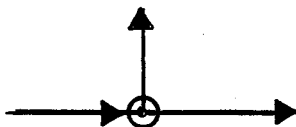
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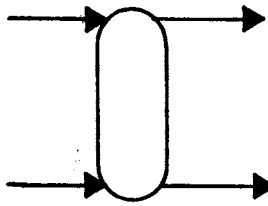
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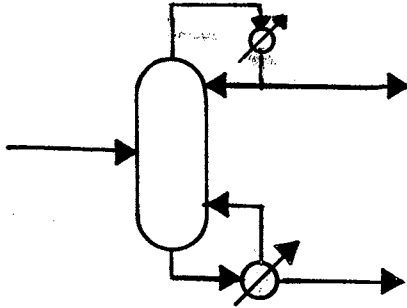
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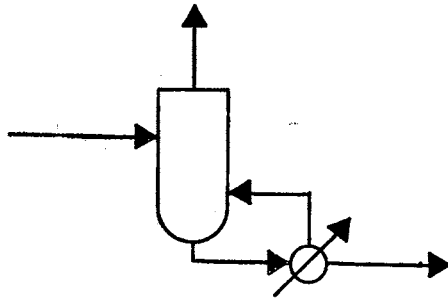
Absorber



Distillation Column



Compressor or Expander



Stabilizer Column



Pump



Reactor

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

The advances in computer technology, larger core memories and faster operation times, have led to the development of large, highly sophisticated chemical process simulation systems. These systems are used to calculate the performance of a variety of chemical processes. More alternatives can be evaluated by the process engineer due to these advancements. In addition, more complex methods may be applied to the evaluation of the performance of process equipment. In general, process flow systems fall into two broad categories: acyclic and cyclic systems. The flow diagrams of typical flow systems are shown in Figure 1. Acyclic systems may be analyzed from only one evaluation of each processing unit. Cyclic (recycle) processes, however, involves the return of material and/or energy from a later point in the system to an earlier point. Since the recycled stream may result in a change in the feed rate, composition, temperature, or phase split to the modules that have been previously calculated, the solution requires a reevaluation (iteration) of the process system.

The typical form of the iterative solution is given by Equation (1).

$$\bar{X}_{n+1} = \bar{F}(\bar{X}_n) \quad (1)$$

Such a form is a common iterative solution in many branches of mathematics. Two important features are different. First, the quantity \bar{X} represents a stream vector that may represent as many as sixteen or more molecular species. Not only is the problem multidimensional, but also each of the molecular species interacts one with another. Such quantities as the equilibrium constant are a function of the composition of the fluid stream. Secondly, the stream function f is a conglomerate of many functions due to the configuration of the process flow. To complicate the case further the behavior of most process elements is highly nonlinear. The functions, which are used to represent the process elements, usually are not explicit, but instead are of an iterative nature. This iterative nature is due to the nonlinear physical properties associated with each molecular species. For example, consider the simple adiabatic flash system presented in Figure 2. The basic operation of such vapor-liquid separation elements is represented by Equation (2).

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(1+L/V)(F_i/F)}{1+L/(K_i V)} - 1 \quad (2)$$

The basic variables are composition, temperature, and pressure. The equilibrium constant is typically a function of temperature and pressure as shown in Figure 3. Thus the nonlinear function becomes iterative whether one is seeking the temperature, the pressure, or the feed split to the vapor and liquid. After the split is determined the material balance is complete, but the respective streams must undergo the heat balance procedure. Enthalpy as a function of temperature and pressure typically may be represented in Figure 4. Here again another

nonlinear function is applied to the process stream. The nonexplicit, nonlinear nature of the simulation of a flash element is now apparent. The operation of the flash element is now apparent. The operation of the flash element is typical of many of the other elements. Rigorous analysis of absorber and distillation units require simultaneous solution of some number of interconnected flashes and many require as many iterative computations as the number of equilibrium stages in the units. Thus the process function f is a complex, nonexplicit function that is not susceptible to mathematical analysis per se.

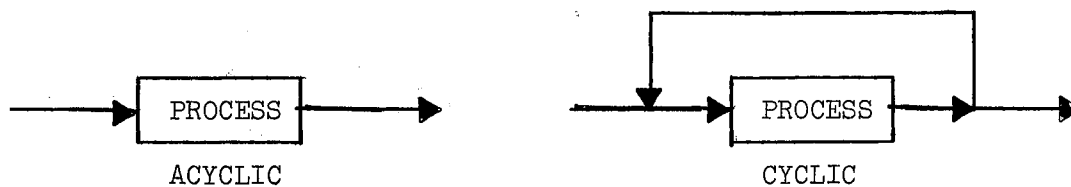


Figure 1. Types of Flow Patterns

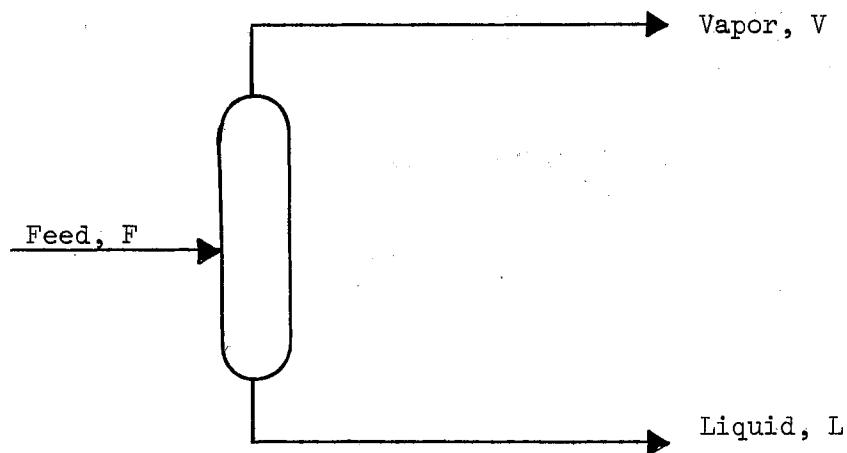


Figure 2. Diagram of Simple Adiabatic Flash

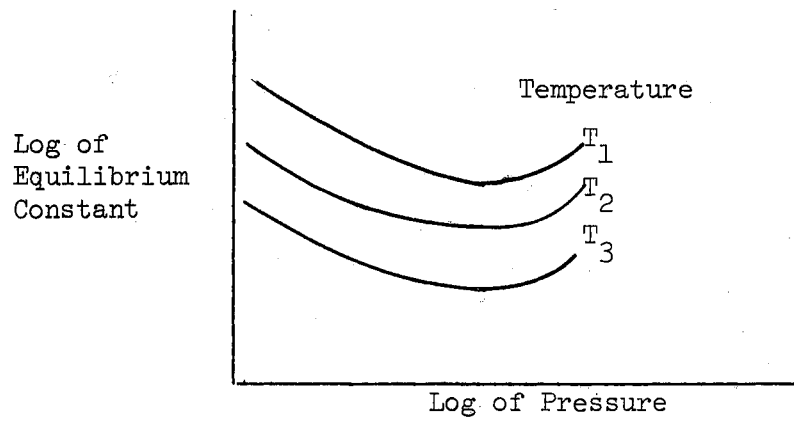


Figure 3. Equilibrium Constant

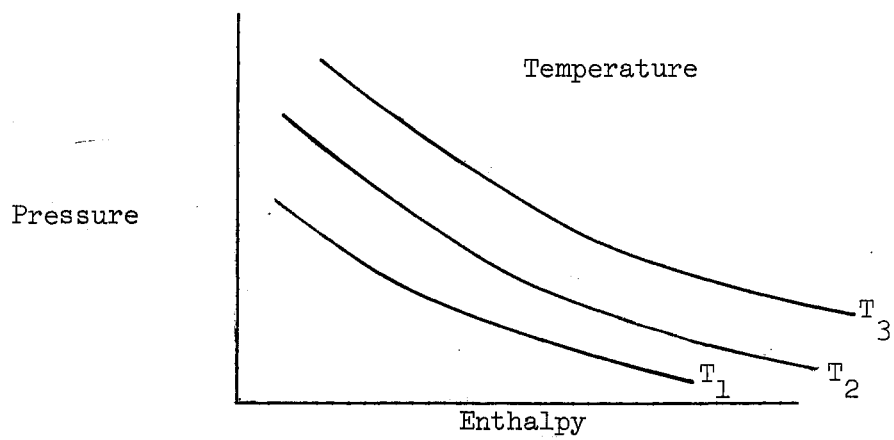


Figure 4. Enthalpy of a Typical Component

This work is concerned with the number of iterations needed to obtain the final answer in overall heat and material balances (process evaluations). The problem of internal simulation of the modules is not considered.

Many techniques (recycle convergence accelerator algorithms) have been advocated in the literature to decrease the number of process evaluations. The ultimate goal of such algorithms is to lessen the cost of simulation and permit more process evaluations to be made. Usually, the reports of such procedures have been in theoretical terms and not accompanied by illustrations of actual industrial applications. The objectives of this work are, therefore, to explore the literature for possible acceleration procedures, to test the promising algorithms for possible applications, and to provide a more general evaluation of the procedures based on iterations, time, and core storage. Fourteen problems are selected for this study in three areas. The areas are: (1) available problems with direct industrial application, (2) academic problems found in the literature for purposes of comparison, and (3) synthetic problems formulated to illustrate an extreme example. Erbar (2) has developed a steady state process simulator. The simulation, called OSUPAS, permits the use of a variable flow sheet. Implementing some of the algorithms in OSUPAS and applying the simulation to some realistic industrial processes, the acceleration patterns are examined and compared. Finally, by means of suitable determined comparisons, a recycle convergence acceleration procedure is developed for the OSUPAS simulator.

CHAPTER II

LITERATURE SURVEY

In order to understand the problem of recycle convergence acceleration, an appreciation of both simulation systems and the acceleration algorithms must be gained. The simulation systems have a complex organization to deal with the sequential calculation of many flow configurations. Since the iterative simulation problems are imposed upon the user, many attempts have been made to improve the recycle convergence. Simulation systems and acceleration algorithms are the subjects of interest for the establishment of background experience in the field of recycle convergence acceleration.

Characteristics of Simulation Systems

The purpose of the generalized block type simulation design tool is to provide a means of evaluating a number of design alternatives such as:

1. Allowing a variable flowsheet;
2. Using evaluation techniques commensurate with the accuracy required.
3. Handling a given problem with physical properties and other unspecified data in a self-contained format.
4. Providing an effective interface between the system and the user in the input and output phases.

The key to successful usage of a generalized system is the flexibility of the system. If a large number of process modules are available to the user, more flowsheets may be processed and fewer hand evaluations or special computer programs are necessary. Along with the presence of a number of available modules, the option to perform the simulation at various levels of rigor should be available to the user. For a preliminary evaluation, where design parameters are uncertain, shortcut techniques would be satisfactory. When the final design determinations are being made, more rigorous techniques would be in order.

A convenient physical and thermodynamic property prediction package must be available for each component in the total stream vector. Such factors as enthalpy, phase split, and density must be derived from temperature, pressure, and composition information. OSUPAS uses a standard thermodynamics property prediction method, (2). Non-discrete (or non-standard) components, such as an absorber oil fraction, called hypothetical components, may be characterized by means of API gravity, average molecular weight, and normal boiling point. The input sequence of the simulation system determines the amount of effort required to learn how to use the tool. A simple language and clearly defined input format can put the design tool in the hands of a well-informed non-technical person. Some simulation systems provide so many options with such detailed input data required that considerable technical evaluation must be conducted before they can be used. Similarly, the output phase determines who can evaluate the results.

The many different block-type design systems have certain features in common. The process flowsheet and process data pertaining to the individual modules must be defined in the input phase. Control

information such as tolerance levels and iteration limits for recycle processes must be defined. This information is then transferred to an executive subroutine which is responsible for the operation of the overall simulation. The executive subroutine must digest the input information, generate a process matrix defining the sequence of calculation and the route of the numbered streams, assimilate the design data parameters for each module and provide in the detail data parameters for each module as provided in the input data, carry out the calculations in some designated sequence, and produce answers with sufficient detail for analysis.

The solution to the given problem as presented to the executive subroutine proceeds in three phases. The first phase involves checking the input for correct format and completeness. If the presented data are not correct, further analysis would be pointless and the run is aborted. Additional checks are made on the operating range of the data. The second phase involves the sequential evaluation of the described unit operations. When the calculations are complete, the feed to any module will not have changed by more than a specified amount from the previous iteration. When an iteration is finished and the recycle streams, if any, have been converged, then the output phase is begun. Here adequate data are presented for the evaluation of the process including the stream-by-stream heat and material balances.

Because of the demand for computer simulation of chemical processes, a number of generalized simulation systems have developed. CHIPS, FLOWTRAN, PACER, FLOWSCRIPT, GENDER, and OSUPAS are among the many simulations that have been devised, Sargent (16). All share the

basic concepts, needs, and problems of generalized process simulation, namely:

1. Modularity, that is the independence of process modules.
2. The ability to perform the appropriate process calculations in some designated sequence.
3. Effective and appropriate communications between the user and the computer.

Many specific problems are encountered during simulation. Each system must be prepared for contingencies such as an iterative procedure to handle recycle streams. Furthermore, it is important to recognize that such simulation programs are a good deal more than just conglomerates of unit operations.

Recycle Convergence Acceleration Algorithms

Since the advent of the computer simulated process solution, workers have been searching for means to shortcut the tedious iterative schedule of cyclic calculations. The forms of the acceleration algorithms employed over the twenty year history of such investigations have run the gamut of mathematical sophistication ranging from intractable algorithms with many partial differentials to coarse curve fitting. In each case, it is advantageous to know the answer or at least the pattern of convergence prior to attempting the solution. In the following pages a brief synopsis is presented of some of the more widely known convergence methods and their relationships to one another. In the current literature, the methods most frequently considered are:

1. Geometric fitting.
2. Successive substitutions with forcing.

3. Newton-Raphson.
4. Wegstein and Pourciau.
5. Dominant eigenvalue.
6. Split fraction.

These methods are applicable to generalized process simulation where optimization procedures cannot be used due to the lack of explicit equations for various modules.

Successive Substitutions

The simplest procedure from a programming stand-point is successive substitutions. Successive substitutions, as the name implies, involves the solution of a previous trial being used to calculate the answer of the next. For a sample process, the relation between \bar{X}_n and \bar{X}_{n+1} for recycle stream vector \bar{X} is illustrated in Figure 5. Since n and $n+1$ correspond to successive iterations, the solution \bar{X}_{n+1} will replace \bar{X}_n on the $(n+2)^{\text{th}}$ iteration. The stream vector is repeatedly reestimated until $\left\| \frac{(X_{n+1} - X_n)}{X_n} \right\|$ maximum componential flow rate $\leq \Delta$ where Δ is a specific tolerance. Only two factors need to be noted here:

1. \bar{X}_0 , the initial guess for the recycle stream vector, may either be assumed to be zero (some processes will not converge with this assumption) or some finite value set at the user's discretion.
2. Δ may take more than one form. Some methods define Δ as previously stated. Others select $\Delta < \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(X_{n+1} - X_n)_i^2}{X_{i,n}^2}$ where k is the number of components. For this reason some confusion about the convergence tolerance has arisen.

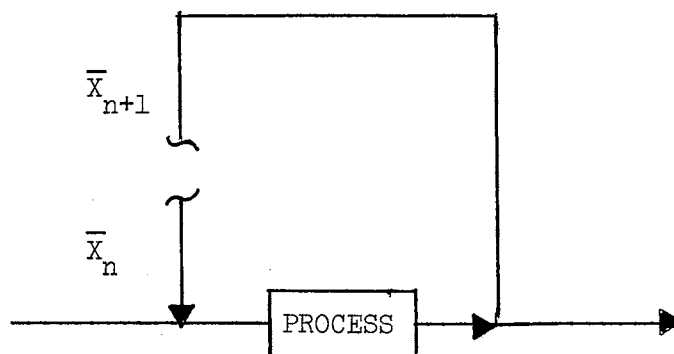


Figure 5. Typical Recycle Scheme

Geometric Algorithms

The simplest type of acceleration algorithm fits a geometric form to a convergence pattern. The convergence schemes for the chemical processes converged by successive substitutions appear to be exponential in form as shown in Figure 6. Such a function to determine the solution vector, X , is proposed by Isakson (3) and presented in Equation (3).

$$X_i = \alpha_i (1 - e^{-An}) \quad (3)$$

Although the total stream flow rate appears to follow this general functional form, the individual component flow rates do not necessarily converge monotonically or fit the specified form even if monotonically increasing. Poor convergence characteristics may be associated with the lack of independence of the components.

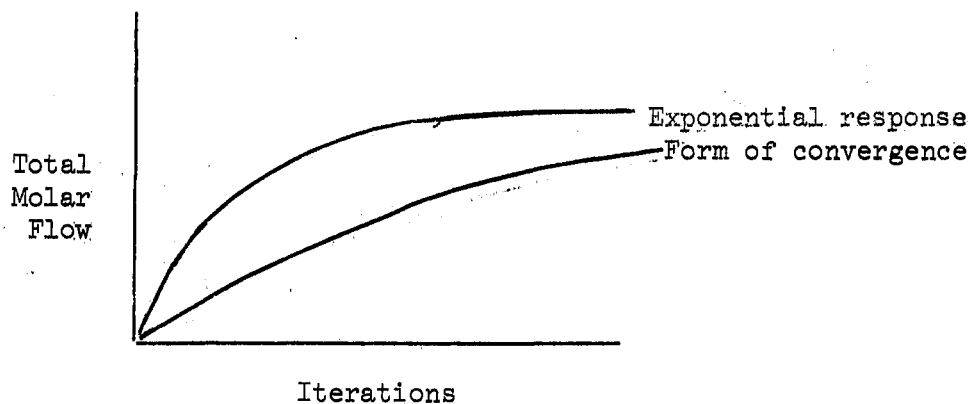


Figure 6. Typical Response Patterns

Since independence between variables may be characterized by the partial derivative of componential flow rates, convention places all the combinations of the partial derivatives in a matrix called a Jacobian. Further, because of the nature of the stream vector, molar flow rates are considered the Jacobian variables in this instance (the form is $\bar{X}_{n+1} = \bar{f}(\bar{X}_n)$) as shown in Equation (4).

$$\left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial X_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial X_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial X_k} \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial X_1} & \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial X_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial X_k} \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

If the condition of independence is satisfied, all partial derivatives off the main diagonal are zero.

Since two parameters (α and A) are involved in Isakson's algorithm, the first accelerated point cannot occur until the process has been evaluated twice. Once the parameters are calculated the acceleration step may be applied to each successive iteration. Isakson fails to apply the procedure to any chemical process system. Apparently the intended use of the method is in mechanical systems work. Another version of the same approach, presented by Cavett (1). The form of the model function is a rectangular hyperbola. After basic algebra, the algorithm takes the form given by Equation (5).

$$X_{2n+2} = X_{2n+1} + (X_{2n} - X_{2n+1}) \left[\frac{1 - (X_{2n-1} - X_{2n})(X_{2n} - X_{2n+1})}{(X_{2n-1} - X_{2n})(X_{2n} - X_{2n+1}) - 1} \right] \quad (5)$$

The procedure may be used after the second iteration and then repeated on alternating iterations. The algorithm suffers from the same problems as does the exponential form. The variables must be independent and the form of the convergence pattern must be reasonably close to a rectangular hyperbola. Cavett tests the hyperbolic algorithm on typical gas-liquid separation systems, Figure 7, and obtains a net reduction of six iterations. Cavett, however, does not report the results of the procedure on a flash network, Figure 8. Further, the convergence is not monotonic, but rather has the appearance of a saw-tooth which indicates that the assumption of independence is not completely valid.

Successive Substitutions With Forcing

Kliesch (4) develops several algorithms in his dissertation. Among the algorithms discussed are successive substitutions with

forcing and Newton's method. To aid in understanding Newton's and the forcing methods, a criterion for convergence for successive substitutions is first derived.

The general pattern of the convergence scheme for successive substitutions proceeds as follows (where f is the process function internal to the recycle loop considered) in Equation (6).

$$\bar{X}_{n+1} = \bar{F}(\bar{X}_n) \quad (6)$$

Again, the main difficulty with this expression is that f is not usually explicit, so that the derivatives cannot be analytically determined. This expression is useful in deriving a convergence criterion and as a springboard to the development of some acceleration methods.

The representation of \bar{X}_n as the sum of $\bar{\alpha}$ (the true solution) and $\bar{\gamma}_n$ (the error of the n^{th} iteration) may be made. By means of a first order Taylor's series expansion about the true solution $\bar{\alpha}$, Equation (6) becomes Equation (7).

$$\bar{\gamma}_{n+1} + \bar{\alpha} = \bar{f}(\bar{\alpha}) + \left. \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right|_{\bar{X}=\bar{\alpha}} \bar{\gamma}_n \quad (7)$$

Since a first order approximation implies linearity, the slope is constant and may be evaluated at any point on the function. The partial differential of the vector takes the form of a Jacobian as is presented in Equation (4). The nature of process convergence implies that at the solution all slopes go to zero. But obviously, if all slopes go to zero at the solution, the function cannot be linear, and the original assumption is defunct. Since nonanalytical second derivatives are difficult

to accurately determine, linearity is used as approximation. In any event, if the slope of the process function is zero at the solution, then this may be represented by Equation (8).

$$\bar{\alpha} = \bar{f}(\bar{\alpha}) \quad (8)$$

The next step is to reduce Equation (7) by making the solution vector substitution as reduced in Equation (9).

$$\bar{\gamma}_{n+1} = \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| \bar{\gamma}_n \quad (9)$$

From the rules of matrix multiplication, the rule for convergence may be established in Equations (10, 11, and 12).

$$\text{If } \bar{\gamma}_{n+1} < \bar{\gamma}_n \text{ for all } n \quad (10)$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^k \left| \frac{\partial f(X_i)}{\partial X_j} \gamma_{nj} \right| = \gamma_{(n-1)_i} \quad (11)$$

convergence cannot be guaranteed unless Equation (12) is satisfied.

$$\sum_{j=1}^k \left\| \frac{\partial f(X_i)}{\partial X_j} \right\| \ll 1 \text{ for all } i \quad (12)$$

Since the slope is the greatest at the beginning of the successive substitutions procedure, the criterion may be evaluated after one iteration to determine if convergence is assured. This principle corresponds roughly to a multidimensional Lipschitz condition. Since typical behavior has shown that the slope usually is quite steep at

the beginning to the solution (see Figure 20), there is not much likelihood of the condition being satisfied.

A linear combination of \bar{X}_n and $\bar{f}(\bar{X}_n)$ is the basis for convergence procedure with forcing. A linear combination of two iterative results is formed in Equation (13), then Equations (14) and (15) solve for the linear factor q .

$$\alpha = |q| \bar{f}(\bar{X}_n) + (|I| - |q|)\bar{X}_n \quad (13)$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| = |0| = |q| \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X}_n)}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| + (|I| - |q|) \quad (14)$$

$$|q| = \left[I - \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X}_n)}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| \right]^{-1} \quad (15)$$

An expression is obtained that would rigorously provide the solution vector if the system were linear. The procedure contains the standard difficulty that a number of convergence accelerators have, namely, the determination of the derivatives by perturbation requires additional iteration through the system. If the number of components is fifteen, the fifteen perturbation iterations which are required increase the iteration time fifteen fold.

Newton-Raphson Algorithm

For completeness, no convergence acceleration discussion is thorough without the Newton-Raphson first order approximation. Starting with a first order Taylor series representation of \bar{f} , Newton's method is derived in Equations (16, 17, and 18).

$$\bar{f}(\bar{X}_n) = \bar{\alpha} + \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| (\bar{X}_n - \bar{\alpha}) \quad (16)$$

$$\bar{f}(\bar{X}_n) - \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| \bar{X}_n = \bar{\alpha} - \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| \bar{\alpha} \quad (17)$$

$$\left| 1 - \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| \right|^{-1} (\bar{f}(\bar{X}_n) - \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right| \bar{X}_n) = \bar{\alpha} \quad (18)$$

This expression can be shown to be the same as the previous forcing method complete at the solution point with the same first order approximation and derivative calculational difficulties.

Of significance at this point is the redefinition of the process function to another function such that $\bar{h}(\bar{\alpha}) = \bar{f}(\bar{X}_n) - \bar{f}(\bar{\alpha}) = 0$.

When this is applied to the Newton-Raphson solution system, Equation (19) assumes a more familiar form.

$$\bar{X}_n - \left| \frac{\partial \bar{f}(\bar{X})}{\partial \bar{X}} \right|^{-1} \bar{f}(\bar{X}_n) = \bar{\alpha} \quad (19)$$

Such redefinitions in process modules would be difficult. The form is presented here for comparison.

Obviously, a large number of perturbation iterations would damage the convergence acceleration with respect to time. Cavett (1) suggests the possibility of evaluating only the major components of the process stream. As yet the criterion for selection has not been successfully developed as is demonstrated in Cavett's work. Newton's method is applied by Cavett to both Problem 2 and 7, Figures 7 and 8. In Problem 7 the method converges in fifteen iterations compared with fifty-five iterations for successive substitutions. However, the time of solution is proportional to the number of process evaluations,

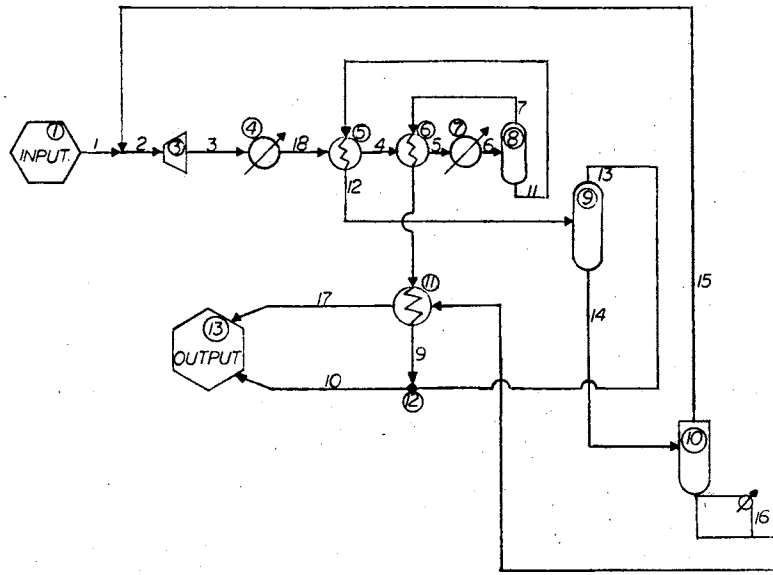


Figure 7. Cavett's Second Problem

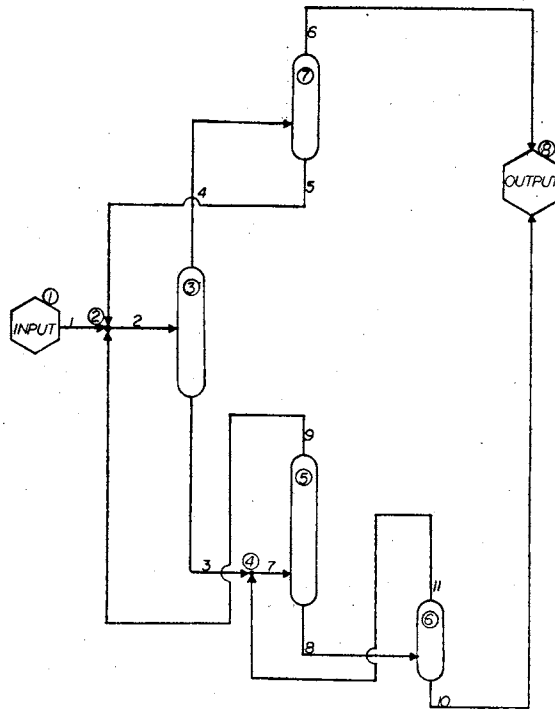


Figure 8. Cavett's First Problem

the time for the Newton's method solution is increased by a factor of 4.63 over the successive substitutions solution time as shown by Equation (20).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{time ratio} &= \frac{\text{solution time for algorithm}}{\text{solution time for successive substitutions}} = \\ &= \frac{(K+1) N_{s,s}}{(16 + 1) (15)} = \frac{17}{55} = 4.63 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Attempts to use only some of the derivatives leads to even poorer results. Newton's method applied to Problem 2 yields a time ratio of 7.32. The analysis here only considers time, but also additional storage would be required to implement Newton's method. Kliesch also evaluates Problem 7 by successive substitutions and Newton's method. The results of the work yield a solution time ratio of 3.52. On the whole, Newton's method leaves much to be desired in terms of the time for solution. However, in the most sophisticated simulation systems, analytical derivatives are becoming available. As the derivatives of process modules become generally available, time factors become more inviting for Newton's method as well as the iterative method with forcing. Considering this evidence, a decision to forego any further examination of Newton's method has been made for this work.

Wegstein Algorithm

The Wegstein method of iteration acceleration is also examined by Cavett. Pourciau (14) proposes the concept of a solution being a linear combination of any two iterations. Lacking a method for

evaluating the linear parameter, the parameter is simply assumed to be a constant or altered in a sequential method between two bounds. However, the value of the parameter must be empirically determined for the particular process system being evaluated. The difference between the Wegstein and successive substitutions method with forcing lies in the fact that each component is treated independently by Wegstein (17) thus avoiding the necessity of obtaining k partial derivatives and inverting the subsequent matrix. The expression for q_i (for the i th component) can be developed by modifying Equation (15) to Equations (21) and (22).

$$q_i = \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{\Delta X_{n,i}}{\Delta f_{n,i}}\right)} \quad (21)$$

$$\alpha_i = q_i f_i (X_{n,i}) + (1-q_i) X_{n,i} \quad (22)$$

Clearly, the case for componential independence is not strong in many process circumstances. Wegstein (17) noted in the application of the algorithm that unless $\left\|q_i\right\|$ remains less than unity, the procedure would cause a divergence between the iteration solution and the true solution. Cavett has applied the procedure to Problem 2 and found an iteration reduction from twenty-one to twelve. Apparently, the independence assumption is not suited to Problem 7 since results for the method are not indicated.

Kleisch has noted Wegstein's criterion for divergence of the algorithm and reasoned that if the value of q_i is constrained not to exceed the bound of one, the procedure would be forced to converge.

Making this observation, the technique called the "Bounded Wegstein" is applied to Problem 7 by Kleisch and a time ratio of 0.763 is obtained. On an ammonia synthesis loop developed by Klesich the Bounded Wegstein has given a time ratio of 0.583. Apparently, the two cases that Kliesch tests lie in the gray region: too much interaction for the technique to be rigorous, but not enough interaction for detrimental oscillation in the method to occur.

Dominant Eigenvalue

Orbach and Crowe (12) have done the most recent available work in the area of first order convergence accelerators. Essentially, the method uses the eigenvalues of the Jacobian based on the molar flow rates of the stream vector. From the value of the largest eigenvalue that is associated with the Jacobian, the convergence may be tested and a solution may be predicted. Through algebra, as shown in Equations (23) through (28), the algorithm of Orbach and Crowe may be seen to be identical, with one exception, to the Wegstein.

$$\bar{\alpha} = \bar{X}_{n-1} + \frac{Z(\bar{X}_n - \bar{X}_{n-1})}{(1-\lambda)} \quad (23)$$

$$\text{where } \lambda = \left| \frac{\Delta X_n}{\Delta X_{n-1}} \right| \Big/ \left| \Delta X_{n-1} \right| \text{ max componential flow rate} \quad (24)$$

$$\text{or } \lambda = f' \quad (25)$$

From the previous algorithms for the maximum component j ,

$$1-q_j = \frac{1}{(1-\lambda_j)} \quad (26)$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{1 - 1/f'_j} = \frac{1}{1 - f'_j} \quad (27)$$

$$\frac{1}{1 - f'_j} = \frac{1}{1 - f'_j} \quad (28)$$

There is only one value of λ for all the components of the system. The authors suggest that the method does not ignore the lack of independence between the variables, but at the same time does not deal with the problem explicitly. Disregarding the interaction problem is not a recommended method of obtaining the solution. Additionally the empirical criterion for the application of an acceleration step is that the value of λ on two successive iterations be less than 0.5%. Also the value 0.7 for the damping factor z is used. When the algorithm is applied to an alkylation plant, a time ratio of 0.40 is obtained. Orbach and Crowe also apply the "Wegstein" method and find "unstable oscillations."

Other Algorithms

Over the years, many other methods have been proposed along the lines of scaling toward the final answer based on previous iterations. Cavett tests one such method called relaxation. Relaxation involves a holding tank approach to a dynamic solution. When the tank input matches the output, the solution is said to occur. However, when applied to Problem 7, a time ratio of 4.40 is obtained.

Ravicz and Norman (11) use a nonlinear programming approach to calculate the results of the recycle network. The problems are solved by means of a Newton-Raphson approach. Since the Newton-Raphson

method requires iterations to evaluate the partial derivatives, Naphthali (10) reduces the complexity of the problem by removing the dependent variables from consideration. The variable reduction is accomplished by means of nodal material balances. The values of the unspecified independent variables are then altered by the Newton-Raphson procedure. A Fibonacci search is then used to explore the region between the preceding value and the predicted value by use of an objective function. The objective function is the discrepancy in the overall material balance. Law and Fariss (5) extend this approach to an optimization problem. They present a method called rotational discrimination which corresponds to a nonlinear programming problem. The method is quite rigorous but is unsuitable for simulation procedures due to the complexity of surfaces generated in process simulation techniques and the cumbersome evolution of new vector values as confirmed by Kliesch. Other methods have been proposed but have no applications recorded in the literature and are included in the literature review presented by Kliesch.

Split Fraction Material Balance

Still another approach to the simulation problem has been formulated by Nagiev (9). A material balance expression is written for each component, characterizing each module by splitting a portion of the input into each product stream. Essentially, the process attempts to linearize the highly nonlinear operation of the process modules. The resulting balance then takes the form as shown by Equations (29) and (30).

For a single module and component,
 Fresh Feed = Total Feed - Feed from Other Modules (29)

For a process system and single component,
 $\bar{F} = \bar{X} - [P]\bar{X}$. (30)

The matrix $[P]$ is a function of the configuration of the process modules as well as linear splits. For example, one may wish to consider a process system as shown in Figure 9. The material balance equations for a single component i are Equations (31) and (32).

$$F_i = X_{1i} - z_{2a} X_{2i} \quad (31)$$

$$0 = X_{2i} - z_{1a} X_{1i} \quad (32)$$

The matrix notation for the equations is given by Equation (33).

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -z_{2a} \\ -z_{1a} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{1i} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (33)$$

The result of a single process iteration is an incorrect material balance due to changes in modular operation (split fraction) resulting from feed modifications. The method of Nagiev proposes that the material balance be completed in one step as given by Equation (34) rearranging the matrix equation.

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{1i} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -z_{2a} \\ -z_{1a} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} F_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (34)$$

The difficulty is obtaining the correct split fractions which Nagiev assumes to be constant over the course of the solution. The obvious flaw, which seems to be standard by now, is that all components are treated separately and independently.

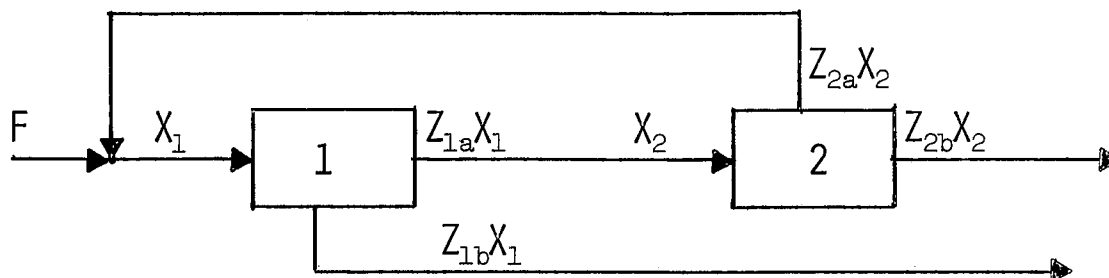


Figure 9. Sample Recycle Process for Split Fractions

Rosen (15) recognizes the variance of the split fractions and proposes to revise them by iteration. In this manner, the dependence of each variable is adjusted in each iteration even though the interdependence is not formally considered by the algorithm. Rosen also has developed a procedure which would cause components to appear and disappear due to chemical reactions. Kliesch does not consider Rosen's treatment of chemical reactors useful. Use of the split fraction method is generally restricted to process modules with only one feed. The specified \bar{X}_j is the total feed to the j^{th} module. Therefore, if the module has more feed, some supplementary material balance has to be used.

One of the advantages of the split fraction approach is that

split fractions are bounded between 0 and 1. These fractions are stable which permits more effective use of acceleration means. Rosen examines a simple reactor system by the split fraction formulation with a Pourciau acceleration algorithm ($q = 0.5$). Unfortunately, no comparison is made with successive substitutions, and no time ratio is available. Kliesch also tests the split fraction formulation on Problem 7. For the direct split fraction formulation and the split fraction technique supplemented with Pourciau acceleration ($q = 0.2$), time ratios of 0.944 and 0.916, respectively, are obtained. Strangely enough, Kliesch does not apply the Bounded Wegstein method to the split fractions in the algorithm. The apparent disadvantage to the split fraction procedure is the time required to invert the matrices. In addition the number of inversions are equal to the number of components in the system.

Other acceleration methods are known and compiled by Sargent (16) along with a great deal of information concerning the philosophy and organization of many simulation systems. Of course, many industrial simulation systems, which are proprietary, may have successfully dealt with the recycle convergence problem.

Optimization Techniques

A more recent approach to increasing the efficiency of computerized calculations are the optimization techniques. In 1963, Cavett, in applying recycle convergence accelerators, terms optimization techniques as "not very useful," referring to nonlinear programming solutions. Work reported recently by Rudd (6, 7, 8) extends the idea of optimal sequences of calculations and design variable selection for the modules without the benefit of nonlinear programming.

A paper by Lee, Christensen, and Rudd (6) sets forth criteria to select design variables. The analysis of the number of degrees of freedom in a given design problem specifies the selection of a number of variables called design or decision variables. The authors suggest that by judicious selection of these variables the magnitude of the design problem may be reduced. Through graphical methods, the inter-relationship of variables is studied. Algorithms are devised based upon these graphs to specify the proper number of design variables (corresponding to the degrees of freedom analysis) and a minimal modular interaction scheme. Examples to show the usefulness of the technique are devised and in some cases, cyclic problems are converted to acyclic problems. Unfortunately, in generalized simulation procedures such as OSUPAS, the explicit equations needed to make such evaluations are unavailable. Further, the specification of the decision variables for calculational purposes is such that simulations are, in general, not capable of such optimization.

Lee and Rudd (8) report a method for sequencing modular calculations to reduce the number of recycle streams presented for calculation. The objective of such an analysis is recycle stream tearing (breaking a recycle stream with the subsequent assignment of a value) to create an acyclic process. Since an additional objective is to minimize the number of tears, the order of calculation is altered. Through a sequence of matrix operations, algorithms are used to select the proper sequence of calculation. The obvious drawback is that the calculational sequence is fixed for process simulation by the known quantities such as feed rate. When a good estimate of the recycled quantities or selected modular feeds is available such

analysis could prove of value for complex problems. However, poorly chosen starting values can have a detrimental effect on the convergence of a process simulation.

More recently, K. Lee (7) formulates the selection of process equipment and the subsequent integration of the flowsheet into a linear programming problem. By use of the branch and bound method of solving integer programming problems, (a method of linear programming), Lee seeks to optimize a heat exchanger network based on equipment cost. Difficulties arise when uncalculable parameters such as fouling factors share control of the actual operation of all process equipment. Ultimately, if all design problems could be carefully formulated in terms of design variables and other factors such as improved correlations for true heat transfer coefficients, the solution of multiple nonlinear equations could replace some of the artistry of design. However, so many physical properties and mechanical problems are so poorly defined in the current state of the art that much of design must be based on previous success. As design engineers receive better prediction methods for physical properties and design variables, the optimization procedures may become of greater value.

CHAPTER III

PROCEDURE

One of the difficulties individuals such as Kliesch encounter in evaluating recycle acceleration techniques is the creation of a satisfactory simulation system to handle the recycle problem. At Oklahoma State University, Erbar (2) has developed a chemical process simulation system for hydrocarbons and related compounds. Contained in the system are the following modules: adder, divider, compressor, pump, flash, heat exchanger, distillation column, and absorber. The OSUPAS system, depending on the form of recycle acceleration, requires between 190K and 380K in the "link edit" step on the IBM 360/65 computer belonging to Oklahoma State University. To facilitate a complete analysis of results, both the processor time in the "go" step and the amount of storage required in the "go" step in each of the fourteen problems is reported.

Methods Tested

1. Successive substitutions is the standard solution technique used in the OSUPAS system. The technique involves the substitution of a calculated value for a recycle stream vector in place of the previously assumed (or calculated) value of the vector at each recycle entry point.

2. An exponential model is attempted in two versions. The basic form of the model in either case is shown in Equation (35).

$$X_i = \alpha_i (1 - e^{-An}) \quad (35)$$

In the first case the values of α and A are determined by the method of Isaksen (3) on an independent componential basis. The other form utilizes empirically fitted values of A on the total stream molar flow rate.

3. The Bounded Wegstein method is tested to determine the usefulness of the approach over a broad range of applications. Because of difficulties with oscillation, application of the method is initially deferred for three iterations as suggested by Kliesch. The method is then applied on alternate iterations to suppress oscillation. Subsequent tests, including the criterion developed at the end of this section, reduce the degree of oscillation that is inherently present in the convergence pattern of the algorithm by the introduction of an application parameter.

4. The split fraction approach of Rosen (15), is implemented to test the effect of a closed material balance on the rate of convergence acceleration of the system. The procedure is developed for Problem 7, Figure 16 and although other systems are examined with the procedure, the internal function is only verified for the original problem.

5. The split fraction approach is then coupled with the Bounded Wegstein algorithm to accelerate the final value determination of the split fractions.

Problems

The problems are examined insofar as possible by the methods mentioned to compare convergence patterns. Figures 10 to 22 contain the flowsheets and design variable specifications. Some of the problems are of no industrial importance. These are used either to illustrate an extreme (no variable interaction) case as in Problem 11, or to serve as a basis of comparison with previous work as in Problem 7. Each problem assumes a zero starting value for all elements in the recycle stream vector, except for Problems 5 and 6. Additional design variable specifications are shown in Tables I through XIII.

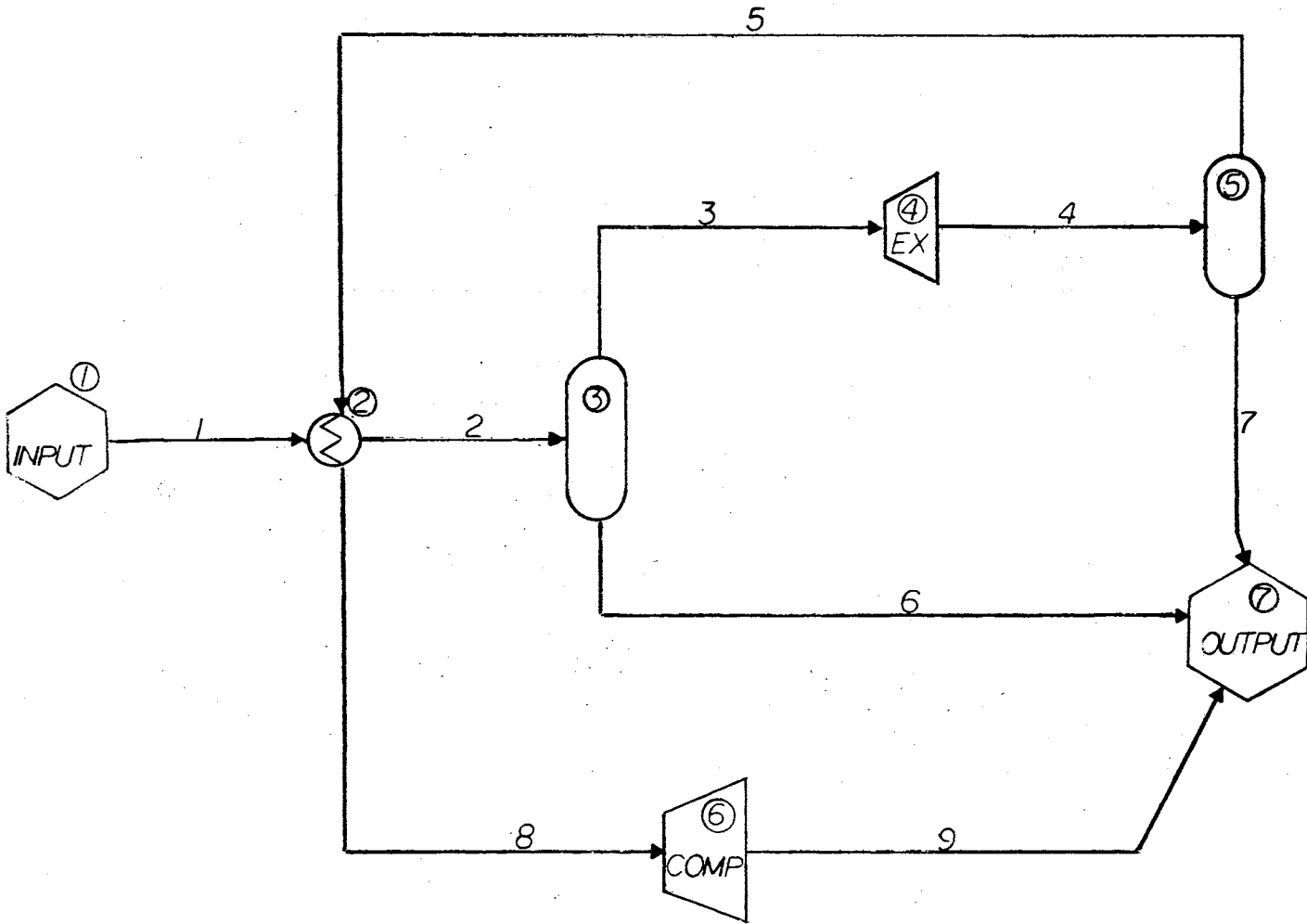


Figure 10. Schematic Flow Design of Compressor-Expander (Problem No. 1)

TABLE I
PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE
COMPRESSOR-EXPANDER PROBLEM

| Process Description | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| 2 - Heat Exchanger | 3 - Flash | 4 - Expander | 5 - Flash | 6 - Compressor |
| Approach = 10°F Pressure drop on either side = 5 psia | Pressure = 245 psia | Discharge pressure = 80 psia Efficiency = 60% | Pressure = 80 psia | Discharge pressure = 98 psia Efficiency = 55% |

Feed Stream 1

Temperature = 95°F Pressure = 250 psia

| Component | Moles/hr |
|-----------|----------|
| Methane | 5900.0 |
| Ethane | 410.0 |
| Propane | 160.0 |
| i-Butane | 30.0 |
| n-Butane | 45.0 |
| i-Pentane | 9.0 |
| n-Pentane | 15.0 |
| n-Heptane | 5.0 |

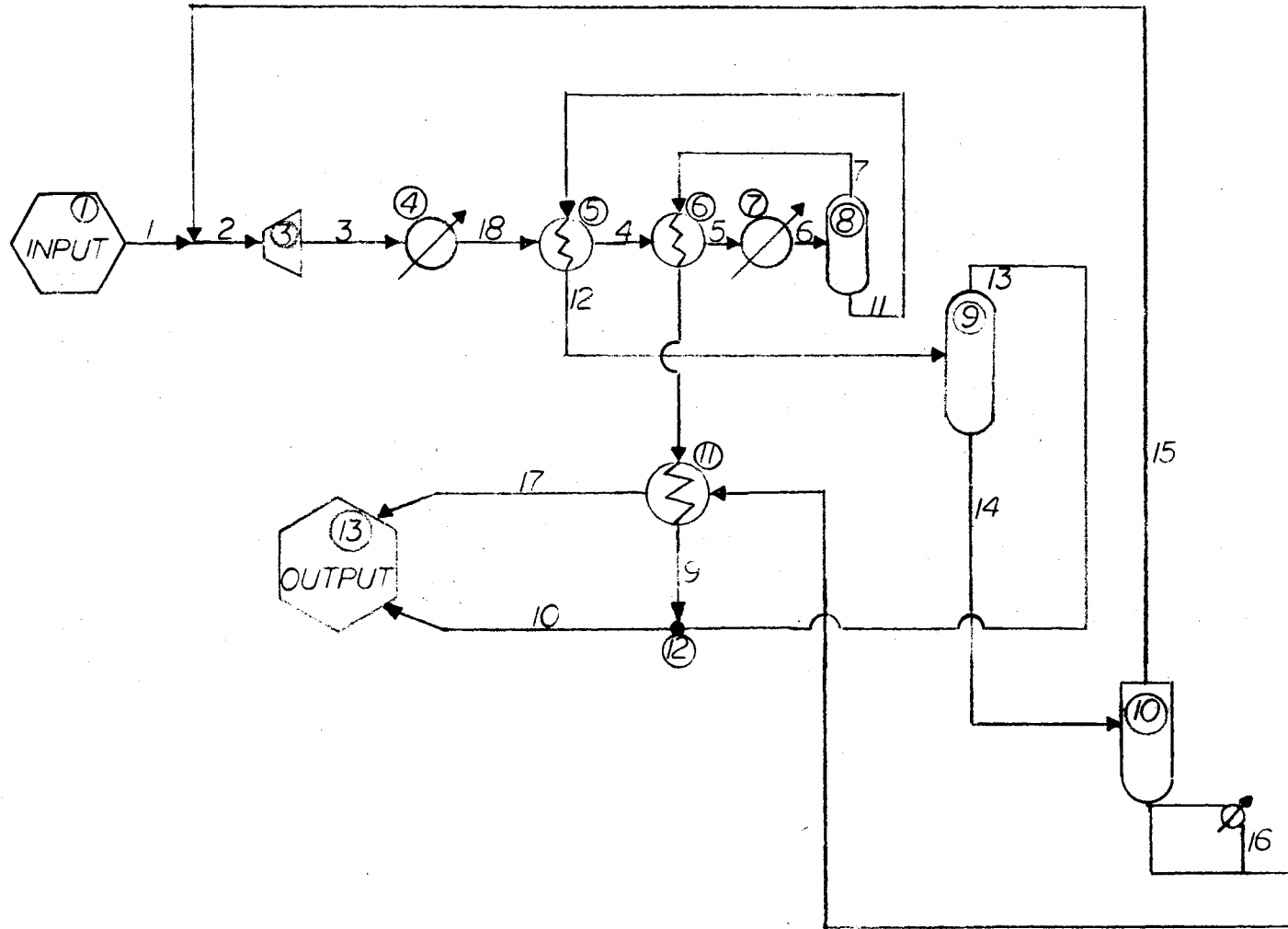


Figure 11. Schematic Flow Design of Cavett's Second Problem (Problem No. 2)

TABLE II

PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAVETT'S SECOND PROBLEM

| Process Description | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|---------------------|---|----------------|
| 3 - Compressor | 4 - Heat Exchanger | 5 - Heat Exchanger | 6 - Heat Exchanger | 7 - Heat Exchanger | 8 - Flash | 9 - Flash | 10 - Stabilizer | Exchanger |
| Discharge pressure = 400 psia Efficiency = 60% | Outlet temperature = 70°F Pressure drop = 2 psi | Approach = 10°F Pressure drop = 30 psi | Approach = 10°F Pressure drop = 30 psi | Outlet temperature = 0°F Pressure drop = 2.0 psi | Temperature = 0°F Pressure = 390 psia | Pressure = 300 psia | Pressure = 150 psia D/F = .82 Stage = 8 Tray Spacing = 24" | Approach = 1°F |

TABLE II (Continued)

Feed Stream 1

Temperature = 70°F Pressure = 150 psia

| Component | Moles/hr |
|----------------|----------|
| Methane | 8276.0 |
| Ethane | 871.0 |
| Propane | 411.0 |
| i-Butane | 28.0 |
| n-Butane | 113.0 |
| i-Pentane | 25.0 |
| n-Pentane | 32.0 |
| n-Hexane | 21.0 |
| n-Heptane | 12.0 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 20.0 |
| Nitrogen | 191.0 |

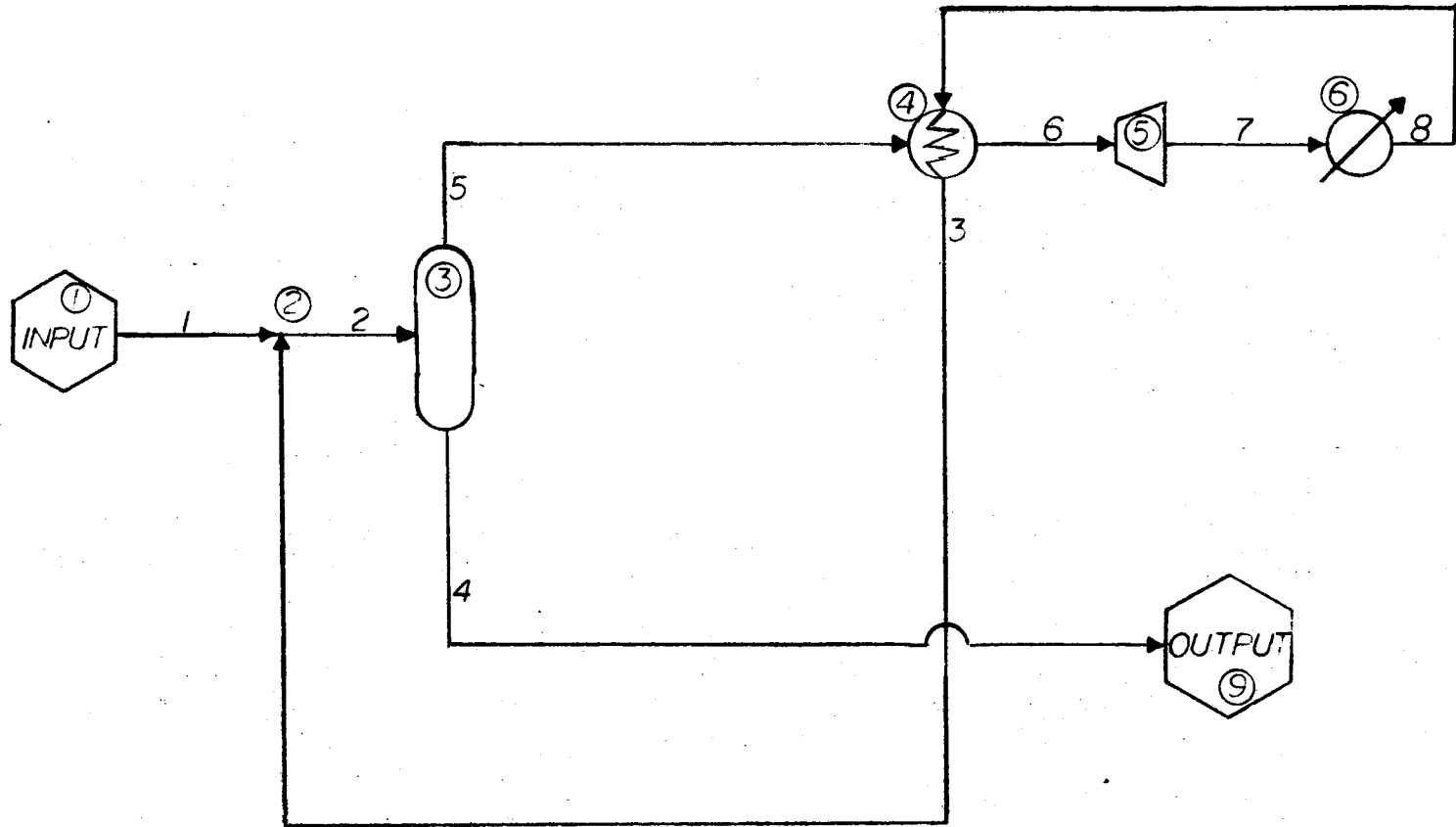


Figure 12. Schematic Flow Design of Olefin Tank Refrigeration (Problem No. 3)

TABLE III
PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR
OLEFIN TANK REFRIGERATION

| Process Description | | | |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| 3 - Flash | 4 - Heat Exchanger | 5 - Compressor | 6 - Heat Exchanger |
| Pressure = 75 psia | Approach = 10 ^o F Pressure drop = 2 psi | Discharge pres- sure = 260 psia Efficiency = 85% | Outlet temperature = 130 ^o F |

Feed Stream 1

Temperature = 105^oF

Pressure = 200 psia

| Component | Moles/hr |
|-----------|----------|
| Propane | 192.5 |
| i-Butane | 452.5 |
| n-Butane | 515.0 |
| i-Pentane | 505.0 |
| Propylene | 400.0 |
| 1 Butene | 532.5 |
| 1 Pentene | 267.5 |

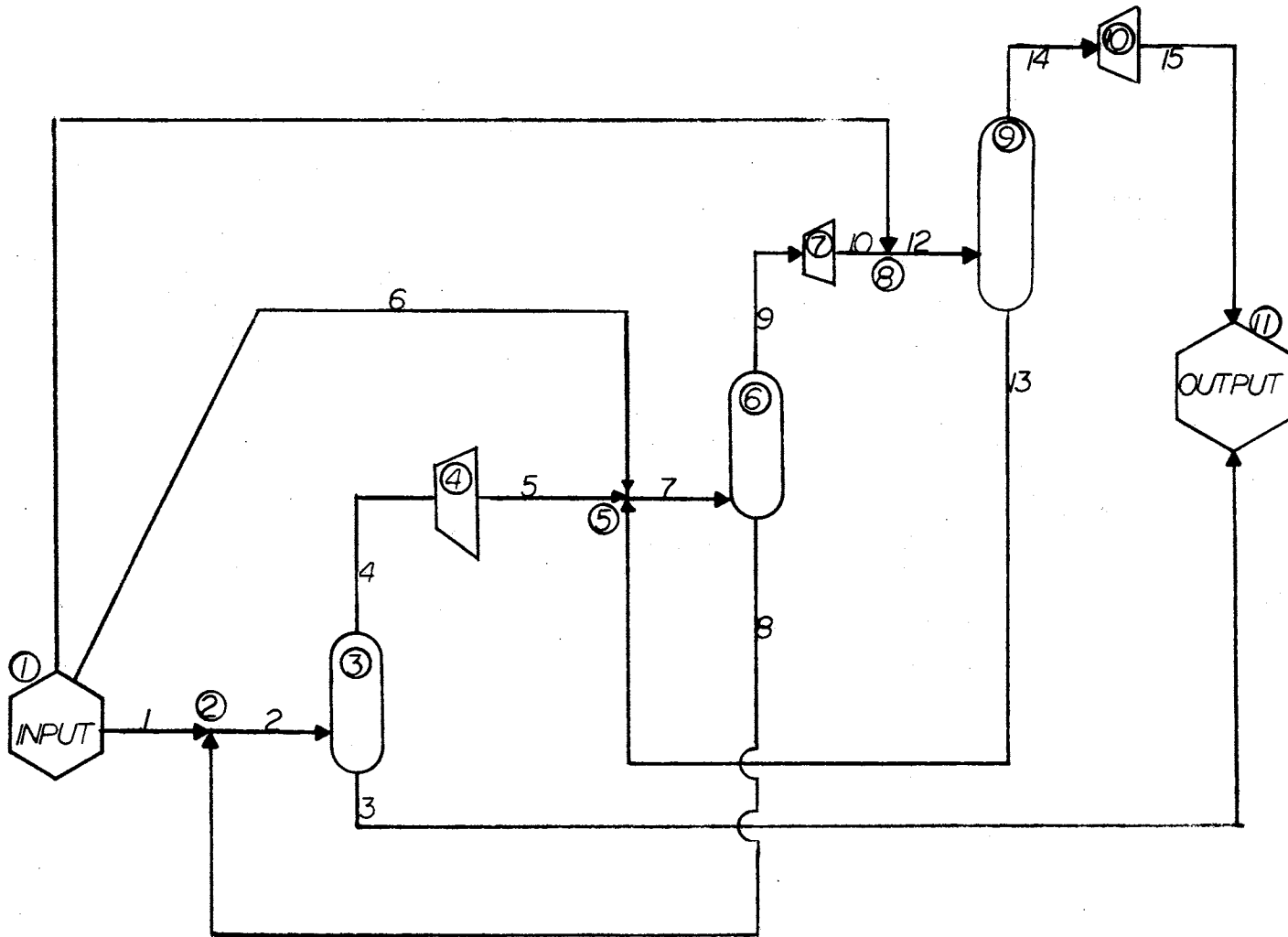


Figure 13. Schematic Flow Design of a Recompression Plant (Problem No. 4)

TABLE IV
 PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR
 A RECOMPRESSION PLANT

| Process Description | | | | | |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 3-Flash | 4-Compressor | 6-Flash | 7-Compressor | 9-Flash | 10-Compressor |
| Temperature = 110°F | Discharge pressure = 90 psia | Temperature = 110°F | Discharge pressure = 280 psia | Temperature = 55°F | Discharge pressure = 1025 psia |
| Pressure = 30 psia | Efficiency = 82% | Pressure = 90 psia | Efficiency = 82% | Pressure = 280 psia | Efficiency = 82% |

Feed Stream 1

Temperature = 110°F
 Pressure = 30 psia

Feed Stream 6

Temperature = 100°F
 Pressure = 90 psia

Feed Stream 11

Temperature = 55°F
 Pressure = 280 psia

| Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr |
|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 0.0 | Nitrogen | 0.1 | Nitrogen | 0.33 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 0.1 | Carbon Dioxide | 0.9 | Carbon Dioxide | 2.93 |
| Methane | 5.1 | Methane | 73.4 | Methane | 185.33 |
| Ethane | 5.8 | Ethane | 20.1 | Ethane | 67.28 |
| Propane | 10.4 | Propane | 14.7 | Propane | 6.33 |
| i-Butane | 4.6 | i-Butane | 4.7 | i-Butane | 0.75 |
| n-Butane | 4.4 | n-Butane | 3.4 | n-Butane | 0.38 |
| i-Pentane | 1.8 | i-Pentane | 1.1 | i-Pentane | 0.04 |
| n-Pentane | 1.2 | n-Pentane | 0.6 | n-Pentane | 0.02 |
| n-Heptane | 1.8 | n-Heptane | 0.8 | n-Heptane | 0.00 |
| n-Nonane | 0.0 | n-Nonane | 0.0 | n-Nonane | 0.16 |

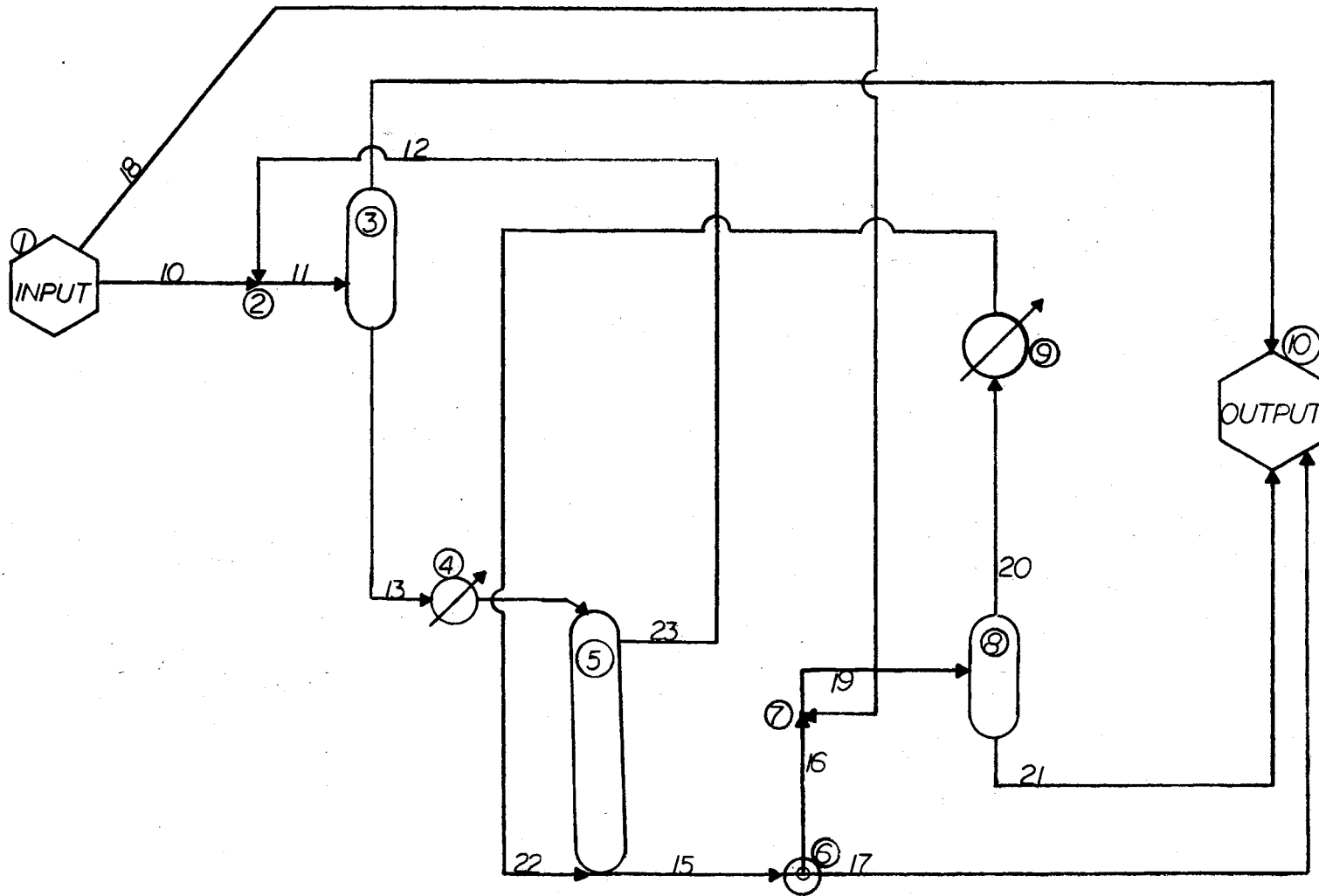


Figure 14. Schematic Flow Design of Absorber Network (Problem No. 5)

TABLE V
 PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE ABSORBER
 NETWORK PROBLEM

| Process Description | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| 3-Flash | 4-Heat Exchanger | 5-Absorber | 6-Splitter | 8-Flash | 9-Heat Exchanger |
| Temperature = 110°F Pressure = 544 psia | Outlet temperature = 233°F | Stages = 4 Lean gas pressure = 620 psia Rich oil pressure = 624 psia Tray spacing = 24" | 100% of heavy oil is sent to stream 17, the remainder of stream 15 is sent to stream 16 | Temperature = 110°F Pressure = 324 psia | Outlet temperature = 231°F |

TABLE V (Continued)

| Feed Stream 10 | | Feed Stream 18 | |
|--|----------|--|----------|
| Temperature = 110°F Pressure = 544 psia | | Temperature = 110°F Pressure = 324 psia | |
| Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr |
| Hydrogen | 0.0 | Hydrogen | 1994.5 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 22.0 | Hydrogen Sulfide | 0.0 |
| Methane | 0.0 | Methane | 330.5 |
| Ethane | 0.0 | Ethane | 249.7 |
| Propane | 0.0 | Propane | 248.7 |
| i-Butane | 0.0 | i-Butane | 78.6 |
| n-Butane | 2.2 | n-Butane | 129.1 |
| Hypothetical Component * | 1629.4 | Hypothetical Component * | 412.5 |

* Physical properties of hypothetical component -- NBPT = 240°F
 °API = 56.8 Molecular Weight = 112.1

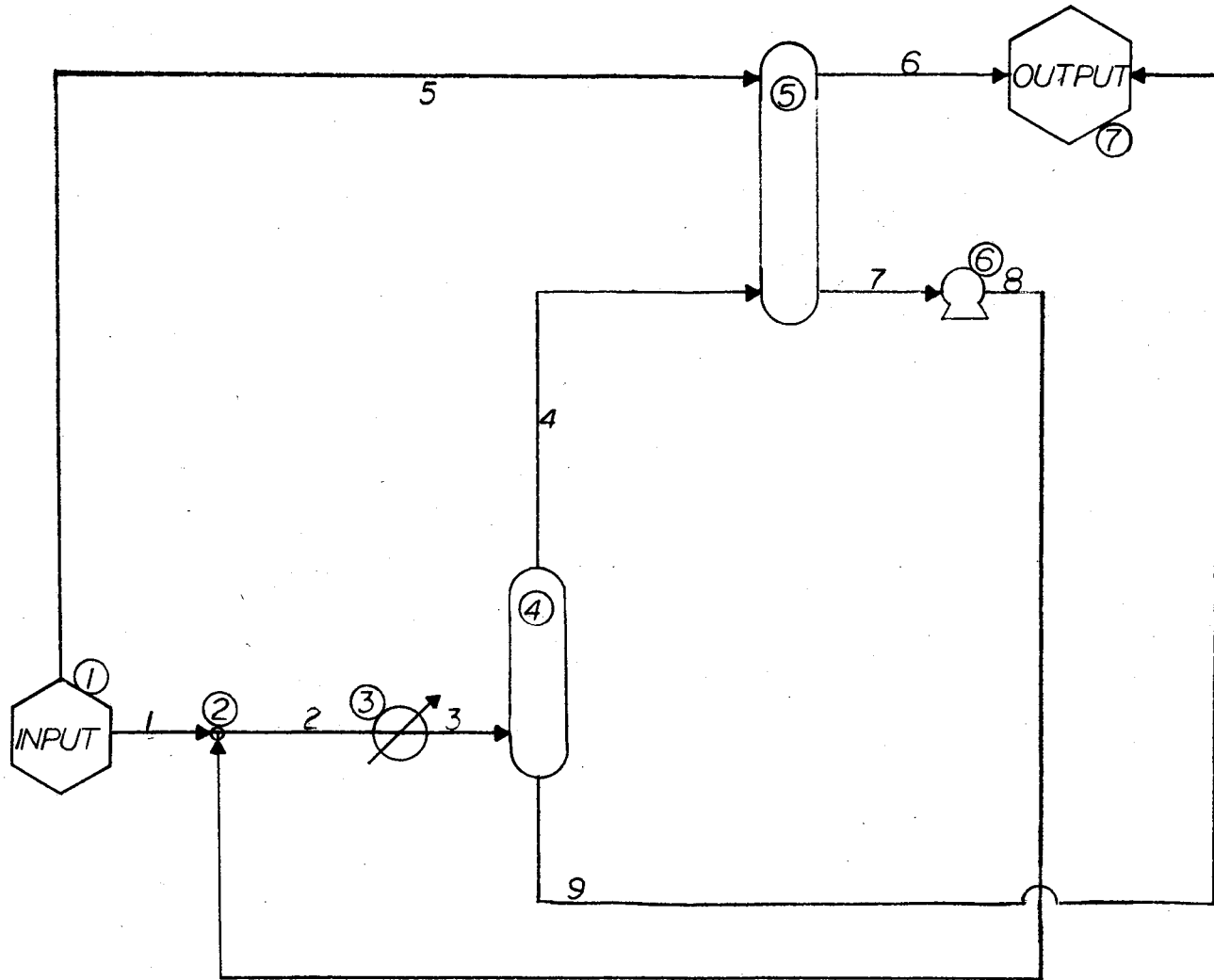


Figure 15. Schematic Flow Design of Gas Cleanup Before Depropanization (Problem No. 6)

TABLE VI
PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR GAS CLEANUP
BEFORE DEPROPANIZATION

| Process Description | | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| 3-Heat Exchanger | 4-Flash | 5-Absorber | 6-Pump |
| Outlet temperature = 100°F Pressure drop = 5 psi | Temperature = 100°F Pressure = 90 psia | Stages = 4 Lean gas pressure = 90 psia Rich oil pressure = 80 psia Tray spacing = 24" | Discharge pressure = 95 psia Efficiency = 60% |
| Feed Stream 1 | | Feed Stream 5 | |
| Temperature = 120°F Pressure = 111 psia | | Temperature = 100°F Pressure = 80 psia | |
| Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr |
| Methane | 50.3 | Methane | 0.0 |
| Ethane | 78.4 | Ethane | 0.0 |
| Propane | 120.6 | Propane | 0.0 |
| i-Butane | 172.6 | i-Butane | 0.0 |
| n-Butane | 243.7 | n-Butane | 0.0 |
| i-Pentane | 5.1 | i-Pentane | 0.0 |
| Hypothetical Component * | 0.0 | Hypothetical Component * | 600.0 |

* Physical properties of hypothetical component -- NBPT = 270°F
 ρ_{API} = 70.0 Molecular Weight = 130

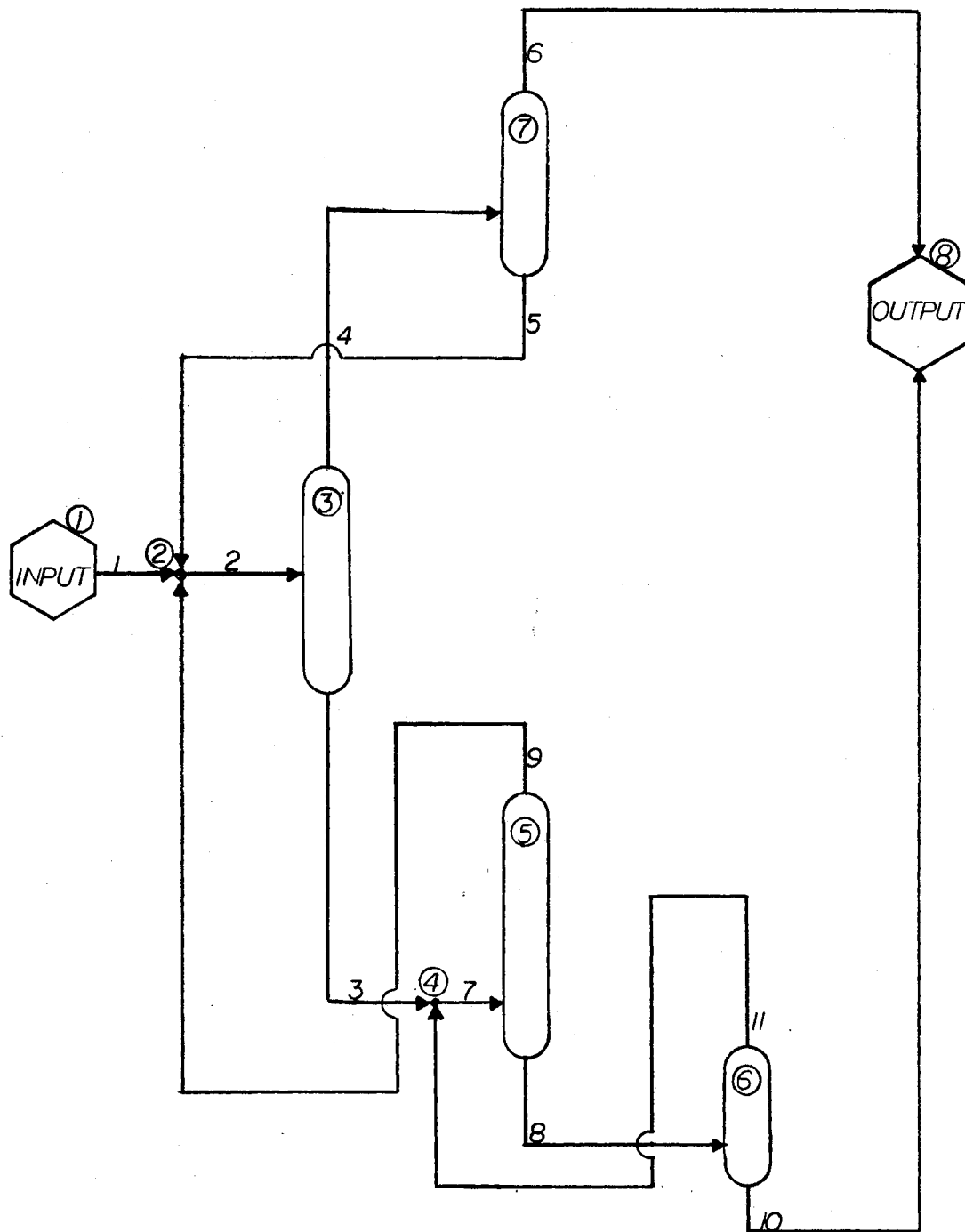


Figure 16. Schematic Flow Design of Cavett's First Problem (Problem No. 7)

TABLE VII
 PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR
 CAVETT'S FIRST PROBLEM

| Process Description | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 3-Flash | 5-Flash | 6-Flash | 7-Flash |
| Temperature = 120°F | Temperature = 96°F | Temperature = 85°F | Temperature = 100°F |
| Pressure = 270 psia | Pressure = 49 psia | Pressure = 13 psia | Pressure = 800 psia |

Feed Stream 1

Temperature = 120°F

Pressure = 270 psia

| Component | Moles/hr |
|------------------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 358.2 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.6 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.4 |
| Methane | 2995.5 |
| Ethane | 2395.5 |
| Propane | 2291.0 |
| i-Butane | 604.1 |
| n-Butane | 1539.9 |
| i-Pentane | 790.4 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.9 |
| n-Hexane | 1754.7 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.7 |
| n-Octane | 1844.5 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.0 |
| n-Decane | 831.7 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.5 |

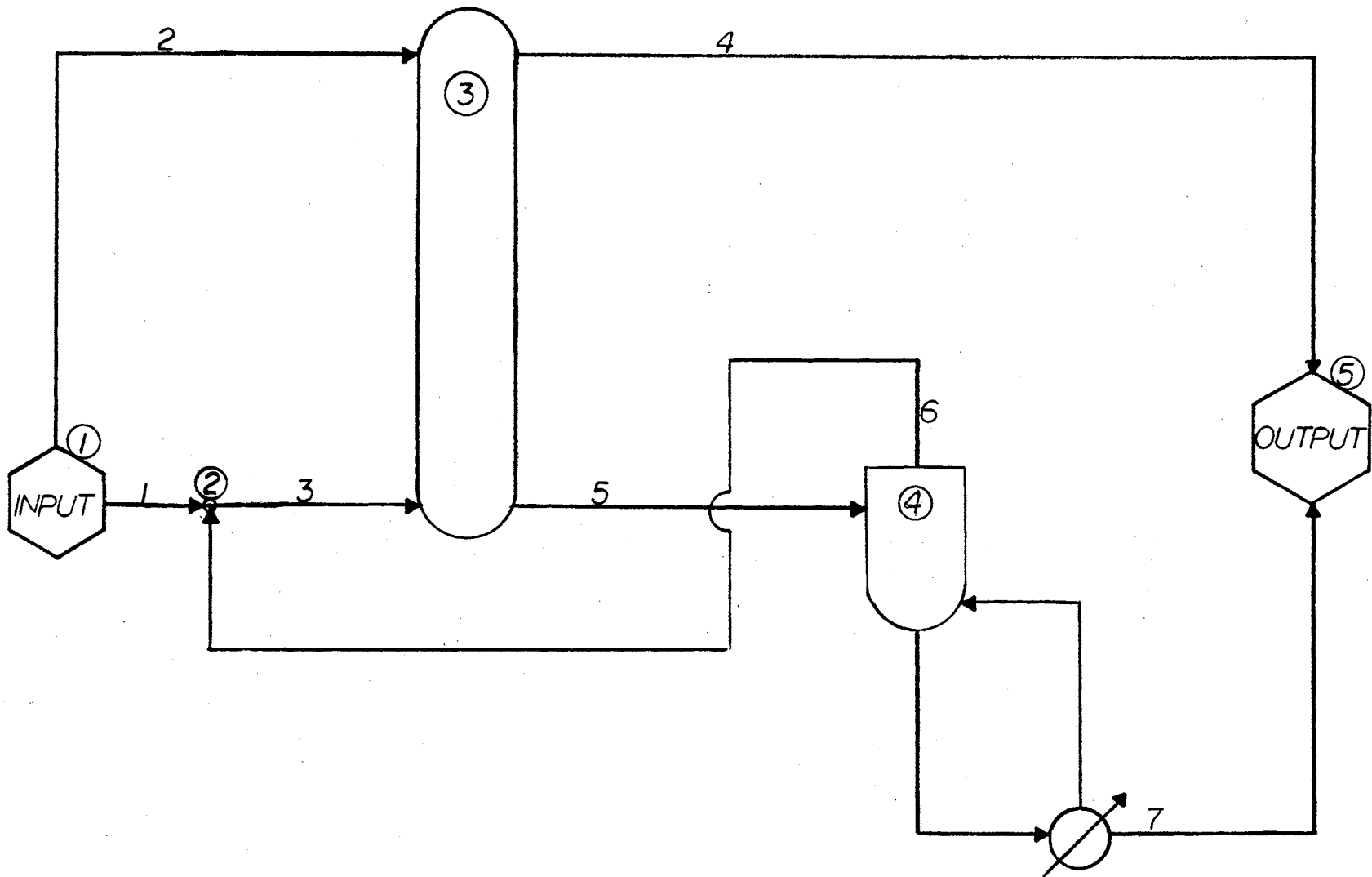


Figure 17. Schematic Flow Design of Absorber Problem (Problem Nos. 8 and 9)

TABLE VIII
 PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR
 THE ABSORBER PROBLEM

| Process Description Problem No. 8 Lean Oil Rate Fixed | |
|---|----------------------------|
| 3-Absorber | 4-Stabilizer |
| Stages = 7 | Column pressure = 100 psia |
| Lean gas pressure = 96 psia | D/F = .15 |
| Rich oil pressure = 98 psia | Stages = 6 |
| $T_{LG} - T_{LO} = 15^{\circ}\text{F}$ | Tray spacing = 24" |

| Process Description Problem No. 9 Lean Oil Rate Calculated | |
|--|----------------------------|
| 3-Absorber | 4-Stabilizer |
| Key component C_3 | Column pressure = 100 psia |
| $E_A = .90$ | D/F = .15 |
| Stages = 7 | Stages = 6 |
| Lean gas pressure = 96 psia | Tray spacing = 24" |
| Rich oil pressure = 98 psia | |
| $T_{LG} - T_{LO} = 15^{\circ}\text{F}$ | |

TABLE VIII (Continued)

| Feed Stream 1 | | Feed Stream 2 | |
|---------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| Temperature = 100°F | | Temperature = 100°F | |
| Pressure = 100 psia | | Pressure = 100 psia | |
| Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr |
| Hydrogen | 63.40 | Hydrogen | 0.00 |
| Methane | 119.60 | Methane | 0.00 |
| Ethane | 134.80 | Ethane | 0.00 |
| Propane | 90.56 | Propane | 0.00 |
| i-Butane | 11.30 | i-Butane | 0.00 |
| n-Butane | 29.30 | n-Butane | 0.00 |
| i-Pentane | 3.70 | i-Pentane | 0.00 |
| n-Pentane | 4.70 | n-Pentane | 0.00 |
| Hydrogen sulfide | 2.20 | Hydrogen Sulfide | 0.00 |
| Hexane +* | 9.30 | Hexane | 0.00 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 1 * | 0.00 | Component 1 * | 25.76 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 2 * | 0.00 | Component 2 * | 51.44 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 3 * | 0.00 | Component 3 * | 77.10 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 4 * | 0.00 | Component 4 * | 102.81 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 5* | 0.00 | Component 5* | 257.02 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 6 * | 0.00 | Component 6 * | 154.24 |
| Hypothetical | | Hypothetical | |
| Component 7 * | 0.00 | Component 7 * | 102.87 |

* Physical properties of the hypothetical components --

| Component | NBPT | °API | Mol. Wt. |
|--------------------------|-------|------|----------|
| Hexane + | 136°F | 89.8 | 80.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 1 | 162°F | 80.2 | 93.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 2 | 197°F | 71.9 | 98.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 3 | 213°F | 66.5 | 104.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 4 | 234°F | 62.1 | 110.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 5 | 259°F | 57.9 | 116.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 6 | 291°F | 52.4 | 124.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 7 | 338°F | 45.4 | 137.0 |

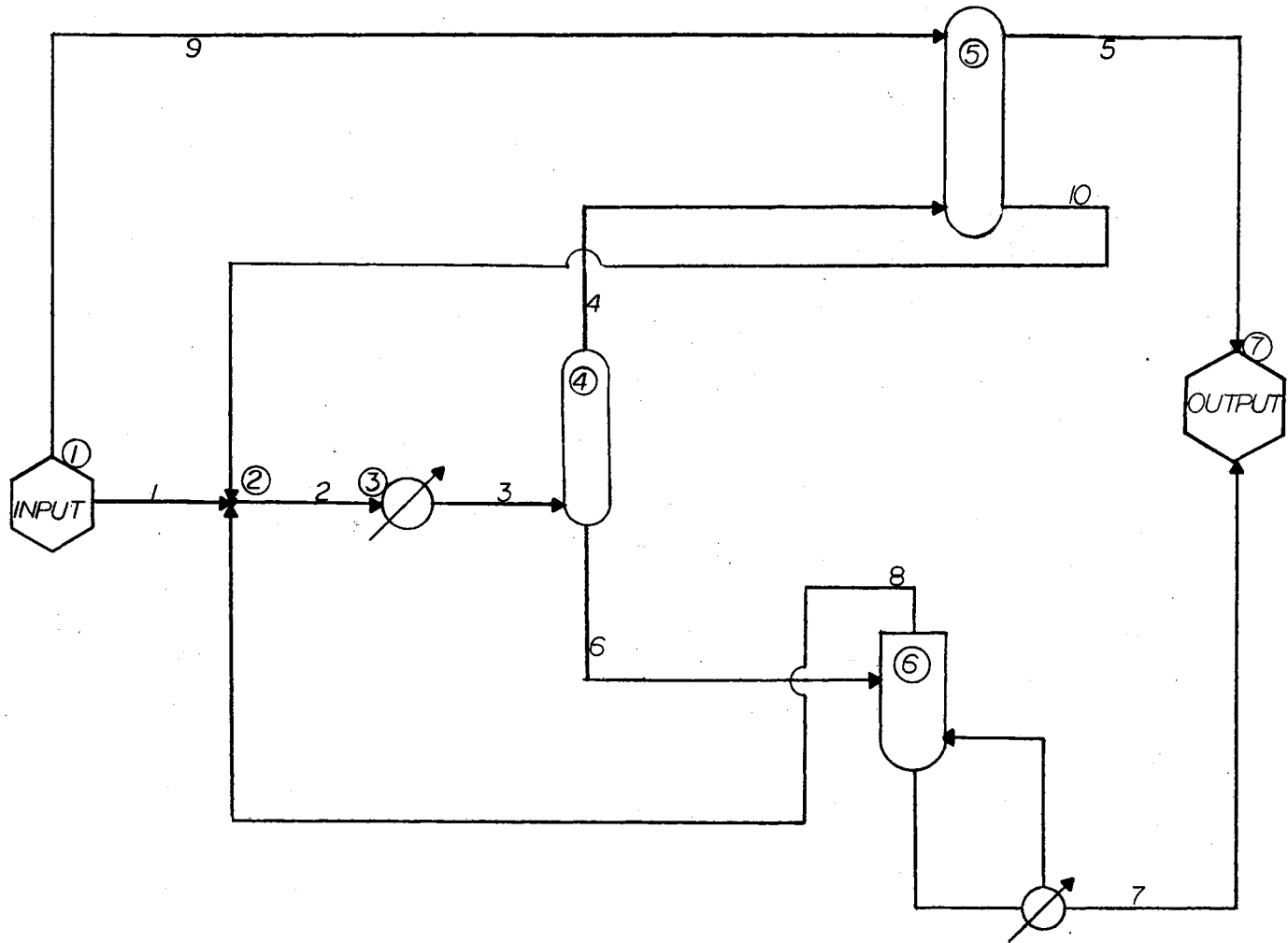


Figure 18. Schematic Flow Design of Complete Stripper Absorber System (Problem No. 10)

TABLE IX
PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE COMPLETE
STRIPPER ABSORBER SYSTEM

| Process Description | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3-Heat Exchanger | 4-Flash | 5-Absorber | 6-Stabilizer |
| Outlet temperature = 100°F | Temperature = 100°F | Stages = 4 | Column pressure = 95 psia |
| Pressure drop - 5 psi | Pressure = 90 psia | Lean gas pressure = 90 psia | D/F = .20 |
| | | Rich oil pressure = 80 psia | Stages = 6 |
| | | Tray spacing = 24" | Tray spacing = 24" |
| Feed Stream 1 | | Feed Stream 9 | |
| Temperature = 120°F | | Temperature = 100°F | |
| Pressure = 11 psia | | Pressure = 80 psia | |
| Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr |
| Methane | 50.3 | Methane | 0.0 |
| Ethane | 78.4 | Ethane | 0.0 |
| Propane | 120.6 | Propane | 0.0 |
| i-Butane | 172.6 | i-Butane | 0.0 |
| n-Butane | 243.7 | n-Butane | 0.0 |
| i-Pentane | 5.1 | i-Pentane | 0.0 |
| Hypothetical Component 1 * | 0.0 | Hypothetical Component 1 * | 600.0 |

* Physical properties of hypothetical component -- NBPT = 270°F
 API = 70 Molecular Weight = 130

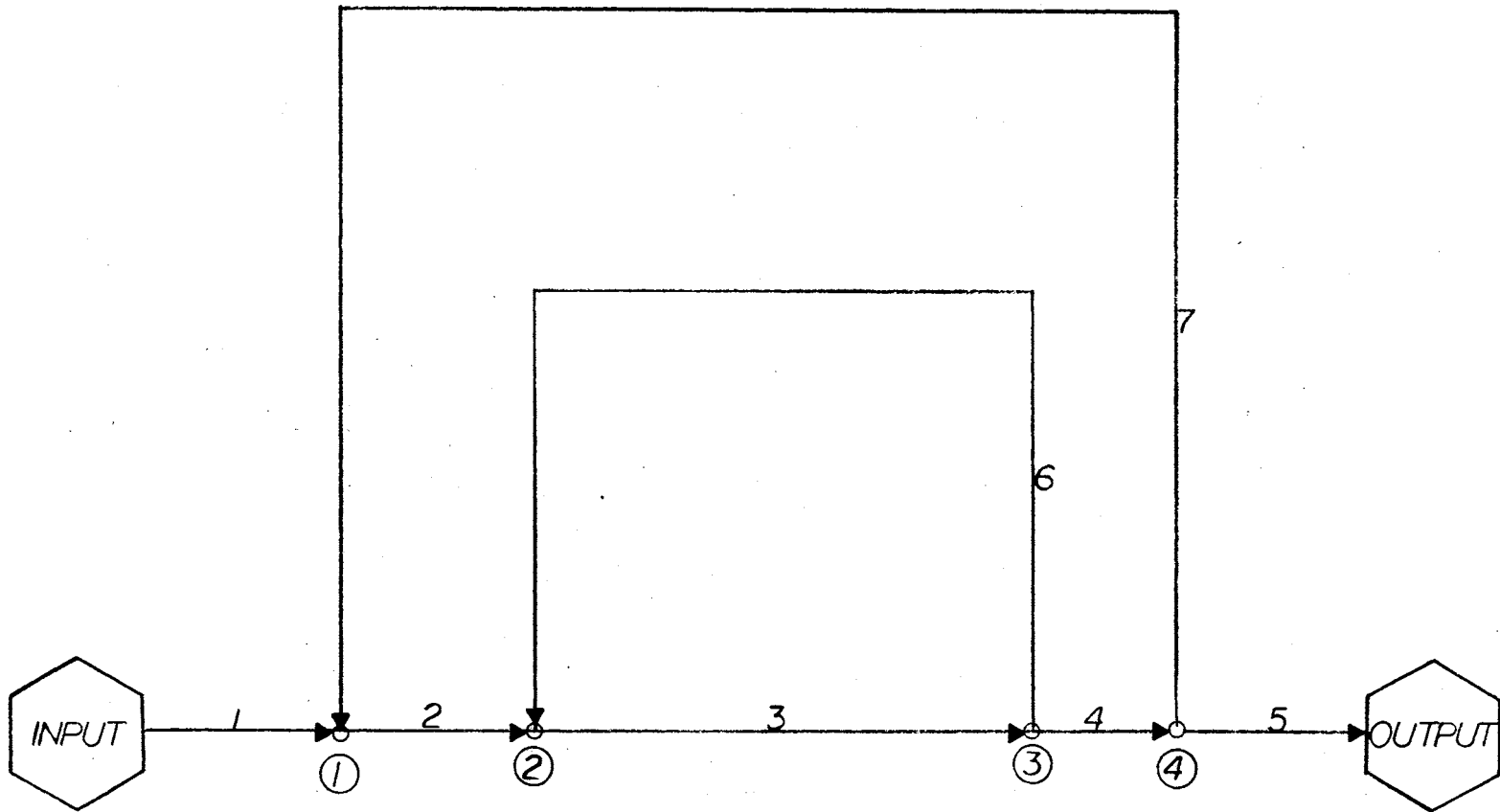


Figure 19. Schematic Flow Design of Adder-Divider Problem (Problem No. 11)

TABLE X
 PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE
 ADDER-DIVIDER PROBLEM

| Process Description | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 3-Divider | 4-Divider |
| 50% to stream 6 | 10% to stream 5 |
| 50% to stream 4 | 90% to stream 7 |

| Feed Stream 1 | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Temperature = 120°F | Pressure = 270 psia |
| Component | Moles/hr |
| Nitrogen | 358.2 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.6 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.4 |
| Methane | 2995.5 |
| Ethane | 2395.5 |
| Propane | 2291.0 |
| i-Butane | 604.1 |
| n-Butane | 1539.9 |
| i-Pentane | 790.4 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.9 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.7 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.7 |
| n-Octane | 1844.5 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.0 |
| n-Decane | 831.7 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.5 |

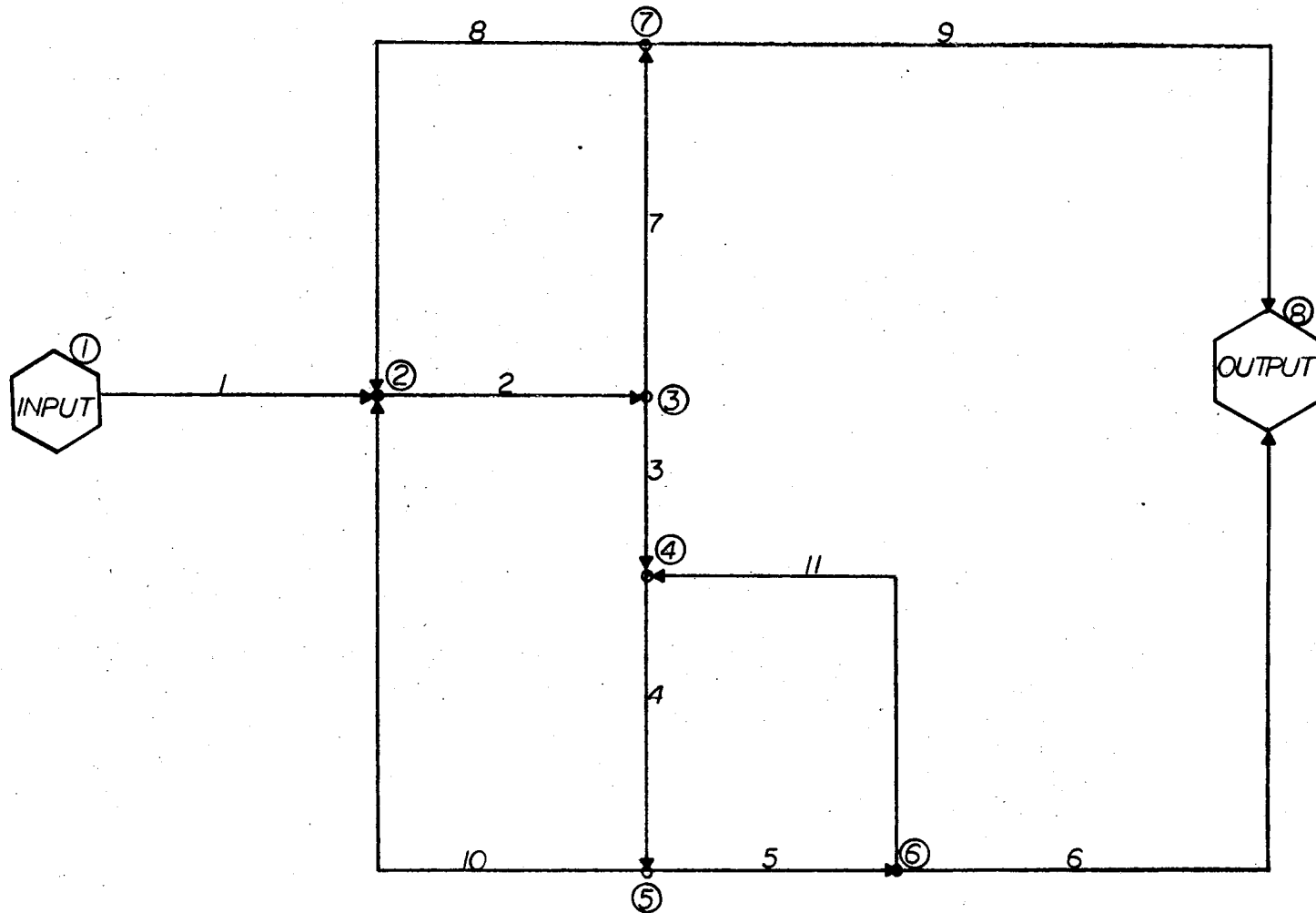


Figure 20. Schematic Flow Design of the Adder-Divider Form of Cavett's First Problem (Problem No. 12)

TABLE XI

PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE BENZENE
REACTOR WITH RECYCLE PROBLEM

| Process Description | | | |
|---|------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 3-Reactor | 4-Heat Exchanger | 5-Flash | 6-Splitter |
| Conversion - 50% Temperature = 1300°F | Outlet temperature = 70°F | Temperature - 70°F Pressure - 500 psia | 10% to stream 7 90% to stream 9 |
| Feed Stream 1 | | Feed Stream 8 | |
| Temperature - 1500°F Pressure - 500 psia | | Temperature - 1500°F Pressure - 500 psia | |
| Component | Moles/hr | Component | Moles/hr |
| Hydrogen | 0.0 | Hydrogen | 25.0 |
| Toluene | 20.0 | Toluene | 0.0 |
| Benzene | 0.0 | Benzene | 0.0 |
| Methane | 0.0 | Methane | 0.0 |

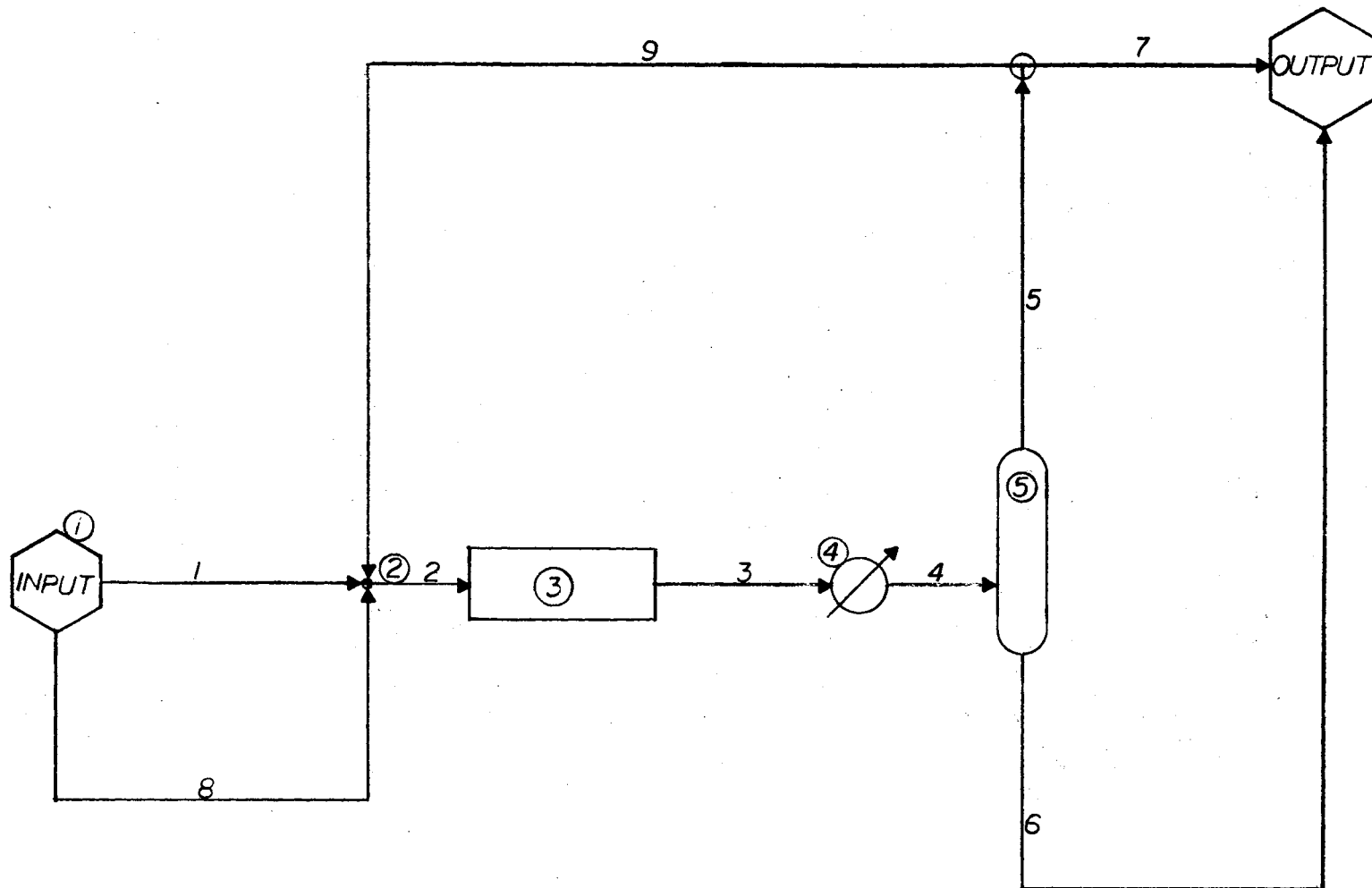


Figure 21. Schematic Flow Design of the Benzene Reactor with Recycle (Problem No. 13)

TABLE XII

PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE ADDER-DIVIDER
FORM OF CAVETT'S FIRST PROBLEM

| Process Description | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 3-Divider | 5-Divider | 6-Divider |
| 59.2% to stream 3 | 39.3% to stream 10 | 27.8% to stream 11 |
| 40.8% to stream 7 | 60.7% to stream 5 | 72.2% to stream 6 |

Feed Stream 1

Temperature - 120^oF

Pressure - 270 psia

| Component | Moles/hr |
|------------------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 358.2 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.6 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.4 |
| Methane | 2995.5 |
| Ethane | 2395.5 |
| Propane | 2291.0 |
| i-Butane | 604.1 |
| n-Butane | 1539.9 |
| i-Pentane | 790.4 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.9 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.7 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.7 |
| n-Octane | 1844.5 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.0 |
| n-Decane | 831.7 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.5 |

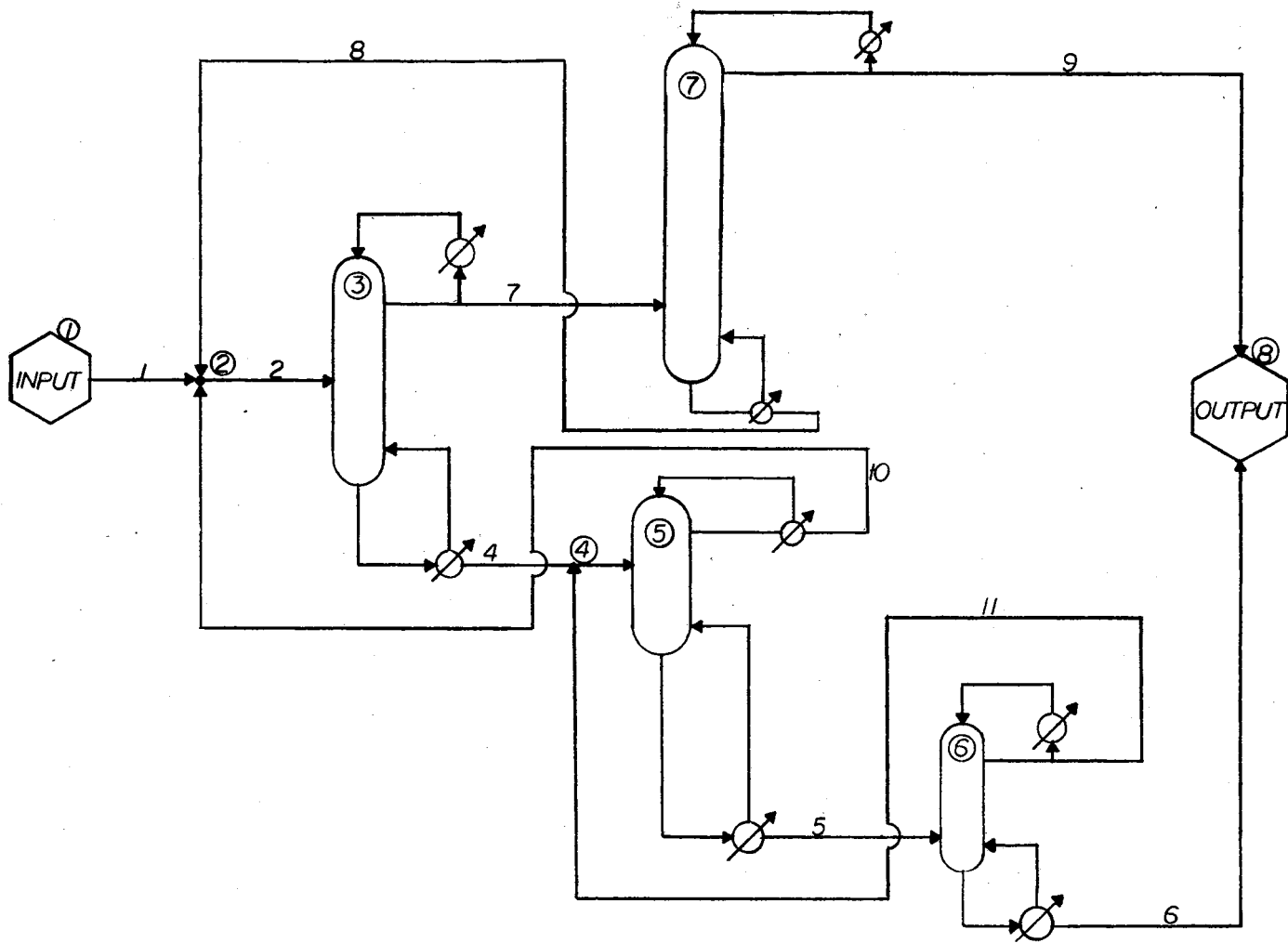


Figure 22. Schematic Flow Design of the Distillation Form of Cavett's First Problem (Problem No. 14)

TABLE XIII

PROCESS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE DISTILLATION
FORM OF CAVETT'S FIRST PROBLEM

| Process Description | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 3-Distillation Unit | 5-Distillation Unit | 6-Distillation Unit | 7-Distillation Unit |
| Pressure = 270 psia | Pressure = 49 psia | Pressure = 13 psia | Pressure = 800 psia |
| Light key C_2 | Light key C_3 | Light key iC_4 | Light key C_3 |
| Heavy key C_3 | Heavy key iC_4 | Heavy key - nC_4 | Heavy key iC_4 |
| $(d/b)_{LK} = 1.83$ | $(d/b)_{LK} = 2.12$ | $(d/b)_{LK} = 1.60$ | $(d/b)_{LK} = 1.53$ |
| $(b/d)_{HK} = 1.54$ | $(b/d)_{HK} = 1.15$ | $(b/d)_{HK} = .855$ | $(b/d)_{HK} = 1.06$ |
| Tray spacing = 24" | Tray spacing = 24" | Tray spacing = 24" | Tray spacing = 24" |

TABLE XIII (Continued)

| Feed Stream 1 | |
|------------------|----------|
| Component | Moles/hr |
| Nitrogen | 358.2 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.6 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.4 |
| Methane | 2995.5 |
| Ethane | 2291.0 |
| Propane | 604.1 |
| i-Butane | 1539.9 |
| n-Butane | 790.4 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.9 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.7 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.7 |
| n-Octane | 1844.5 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.0 |
| n-Decane | 831.7 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.5 |

Criterion for Variable Interaction

Numerous authors (1, 4, 12, 17) have discussed variable interaction. Apparently, the only way to characterize this concept is by means of the flow rate interaction. If the flow rate of the major component is changed by an incremental amount, does a change in the flow rate for the other components occur? If no effect is noted on the other components, then the approximated derivative is the same as the total derivative of the function. Beginning with the successive substitution algorithm, an interaction criterion is developed in Equations (36) through (39).

$$\bar{X} = \bar{f}(\bar{X}) \quad (36)$$

$$X_{i+1,j} = f(X_{i1,i2}, \dots, X_{ik}) \quad (37)$$

$$df_j = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_1} dX_1 + \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_2} dX_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_k} dX_k \quad (38)$$

$$\frac{df_j}{dX_j} = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_1} \frac{dX_1}{dX_j} + \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_2} \frac{dX_2}{dX_j} + \dots + \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_k} \frac{dX_k}{dX_j} \quad (39)$$

$$C = \frac{\frac{df_j}{dX_j} - \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_j}}{\frac{df_j}{dX_j}} = 1 -$$

(40)

$$\frac{\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_j}}{\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_1} \frac{dX_1}{dX_j} + \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_2} \frac{dX_2}{dX_j} + \dots + \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_k} \frac{dX_k}{dX_j}}$$

Obviously, $\frac{\partial f_k}{\partial X_j}$ for $k \neq j$ and $\frac{dX_i}{dX_k}$ again for $k \neq j$ will be zero if the variables are independent. Therefore, C is zero for the case of no interaction. As the interaction grows, the absolute value of C rises to a value that is some measure of the amount of interaction.

General

In summary, the objective of this work is to solve some trial recycle problems by various recycle convergence procedures and compare the effectiveness of the methods. From the comparison, a method is developed in the Results section which includes an application parameter or set of rules for the most effective means (in terms of time and storage commitments) to solve the recycle loop to a value of $\Delta_{imax} < 0.001$. This comparison is in terms of the OSUPAS system. Other simulation systems may differ in internal tolerances (of heat balances and equilibrium convergence) and physical property evaluations, thereby altering the specific results. However, the same general characteristics are likely to be observed for any similar simulation system.

CHAPTER IV

RESULTS

The overall objective of this work is to provide an acceleration technique that will produce good acceleration when in the range of applicability and not damage convergence when out of this range. Factors such as the number of iterations for closure, size of the recycle stream, and variable interaction govern the range of applicability. The algorithms tested demonstrate a broad spectrum of reactions to various process applications. The results of all simulations are tabulated in Table XIV.

Successive Substitutions

In all cases tested, successive substitutions gives the same convergence pattern. An essentially monotonic sequence is generated that closed rapidly on the solution at first then gradually slows around the solution point until the step length (difference between vectors during successive iterations) becomes the same order of magnitude as the tolerance. Also the step lengths are seen to decay very slowly indicating that a large tolerance could yield an answer that differs from the true answer by more than the magnitude of the specified tolerance. No oscillatory behavior is observed and except for the number of iterations involved, the scheme is universally successful.

TABLE XIV

ITERATIONS, TIME, AND CORE COMPARISON

| | Bounded Wegstein with Application Parameter of 0.2 Core Storage Req. = 194k | Successive Sub- stitutions Core Storage Req. = 190k | One Dimensional Bounded Wegstein Core Storage Req. = 192k | Bounded Wegstein Core Storage Req. = 192k | Split Fractions Core Storage Req. = 210k | Split Fraction with Bounded Wegstein Core Storage Req. = 336k |
|-------------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| Problem Number | Iterations Time (sec) | Iterations Time (sec) | Iterations Time (sec) | Iterations Time (sec) | Iterations Time (sec) | Iterations Time (sec) |
| 1 | 7 30.8 | 7 31.7 | | 7 30.5 | 18 82.3 | |
| 2 | 24 209.6 | 24 152.6 | | 27 ⁺ 237.7 | 26 246.8 | |
| 3 | 10 33.9 | 10 37.5 | | 15 ⁺ (os) | 10 40.0 | |
| 4 | 13 85.6 | 16 103.3 | | 9 61.8 | 19 132.2 | |
| 5 | 11 39.2 | 14 43.0 | 15 43.5 | 9 32.4 | | |
| 6 | 8 30.1 | 8 28.4 | | 9 ⁺ 32.6 | | |
| 7 | 27 111.6 | 44 129.6 | 35 110.7 | 50 ⁺ (os) | 17 135.9 | 12 71.2 |
| 8 | 6 53.2 | 6 50.74 | | 5 47.4 | | |
| 9 | 4 147.0 | 6 157.0 | | 5 161.3 | | |
| 10 | 11 51.95 | 12 53.7 | | 11 53.3 | | |
| 11 | 4 12.3 | 77 73.9 | 3 10.1 | 3 10.3 | 3 20.2 | |
| 12 | 11 62.9 | 44 179.3 | | 3 19.4 | | |
| 13 | 6 21.92 | 8 20.5 | | 9 23.5 | 3 15.6 | |
| 14 | 10 254.0 | 21 481.2 | 21 344.7 | 15 316.3 | | |

Exponential Factor

When beginning the study two cursory observations are made about the behavior of recycle convergence. First, the convergence pattern for successive substitutions appears to have the form of an exponential decay function. Secondly, the vector might best be scaled by one factor for all components. Both of these statements are wrong.

The exponential decay function is not closely approximated by the convergence pattern due to the very slow approach to the asymptotic limit as compared to the initial portion of the function. In Problem 7 the last forty of fifty total iterations are required to travel a distance about ten percent of the converged solution. In this region the improvement for each iteration approaches a small constant value. Clearly, this behavior is not represented by the exponential decay function. The form of Isakson (3) is tested and found to oscillate when applied to Problem 7. Out of curiosity, arbitrary factors of A are tried for a constant scale factor for all variables. Strangely enough the constant scale factor does significantly improve convergence. This type of empiricism is constrained only to the tested Problem 7. Other attempts to use this form have been fruitless on other problems.

The concept of a constant acceleration factor for all variables is simply refuted by Figures 23 and 24 which show a monotonic increase for one variable and a general decrease for another variable in Problem 7. The most effective procedure is, therefore, a multicomponent adjustment on each step.

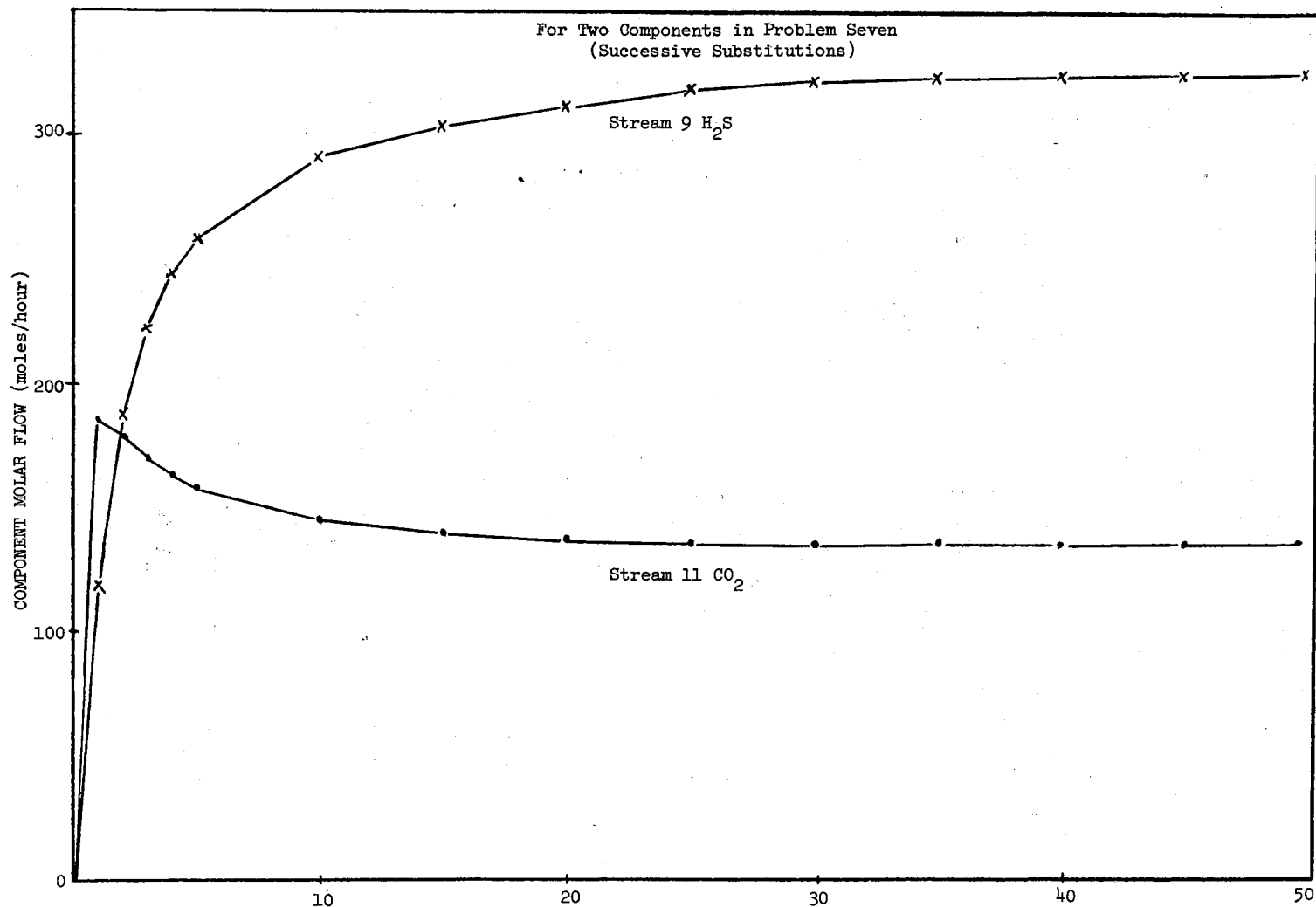


Figure 23. Comparison of Convergence Patterns

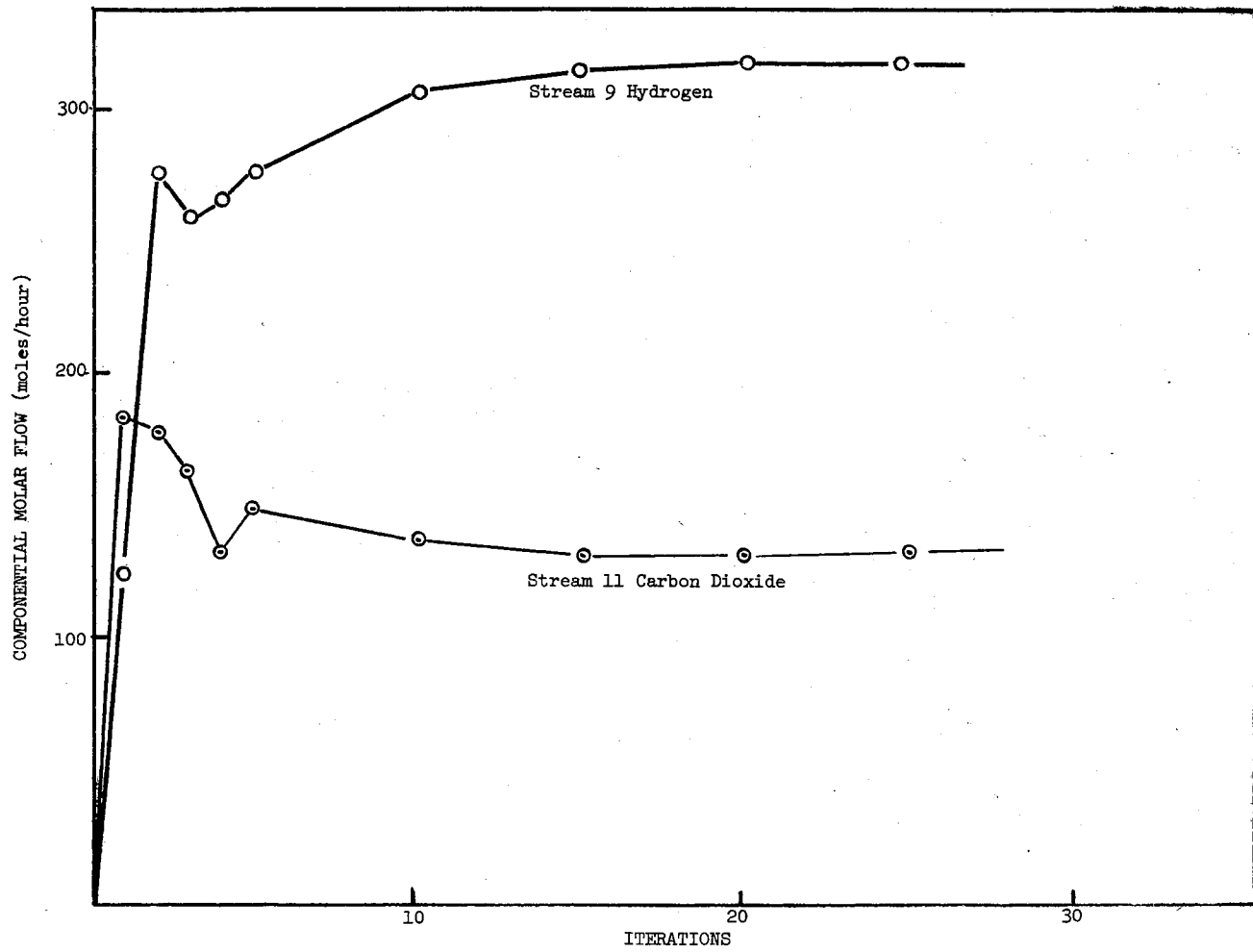


Figure 24. Comparison of Convergence Patterns for Two Components in Problem Seven

Bounded Wegstein

The Bounded Wegstein procedure, is a multidimensional procedure which assumes the independence of variables. On cases like the synthetic adder-divider (Problem 11) where variable interaction does not exist, the Bounded Wegstein is rigorous within the computational accuracy of the computer. Additionally, a one dimensional Bounded Wegstein, based on total molar flow rate, is tested. The results, shown in Table XIV demonstrate the effectiveness of the Bounded Wegstein method as applied in this form. Difficulties arise in the applications of the multidimensional form to other cases. The solution pattern becomes more and more oscillatory as the variable interaction increases. Finally, the solution is hindered by the procedure (in some instances preventing solution). In order to suppress oscillation, many techniques have been attempted to determine when the acceleration step should be applied. Among the methods tested is the suppression of acceleration when the application parameter between iterations grows small as shown in Equation (41).

$$\text{application parameter} > \left\| \frac{X_{n+1} - X_n}{X_{n+1}} \right\| \text{ for each component of } \bar{X} \quad (41)$$

This procedure has limited success but is difficult to generalize since a great number of iterations is required to close the last ten percent of the final solution of Problem 7. Many other techniques are attempted to bridge this problem without consistent success.

Orbach and Crowe (12) propose a reasonable application parameter in their paper. When successive values of the acceleration factor, λ ,

are within 0.5% of one another, the acceleration procedure is repeated. The factor λ is related (see page 21) to the componential derivative of the stream vector. However, since the range of application of the Bounded Wegstein techniques is governed by the amount of interaction, the value of the bound on the Wegstein acceleration factor q should be some function of the interaction criterion. Applying the interaction criterion (reference page 62) to several cases while determining the optimal value of the bound, the criterion as presented is found not to correlate with determined bound as shown in Figure 25. Logically the greater the interaction in each case the more tightly constrained the value of the bound must be. No generalizations to this effect could be made from the available case information. Fortunately, the well around the optimal value of the bound as shown by Figure 26 is relatively flat. This permits use of a bound that is not optimal without having a significantly detrimental effect on the number of iterations. By inspection of the results of several problems, a mean value of 0.2 is chosen for the bound on the application of q shown in Equation (42).

$$0.2 > \frac{q_{n+1} - q_n}{q_{n+1}} \quad \text{for each component of } \bar{X}_n \quad (42)$$

The constrained version of the Bounded Wegstein has the most general range of application to all the test cases and also the best overall time ratios of the general methods. A programming flow diagram is presented on page 78 for the Bounded Wegstein with the application parameter.

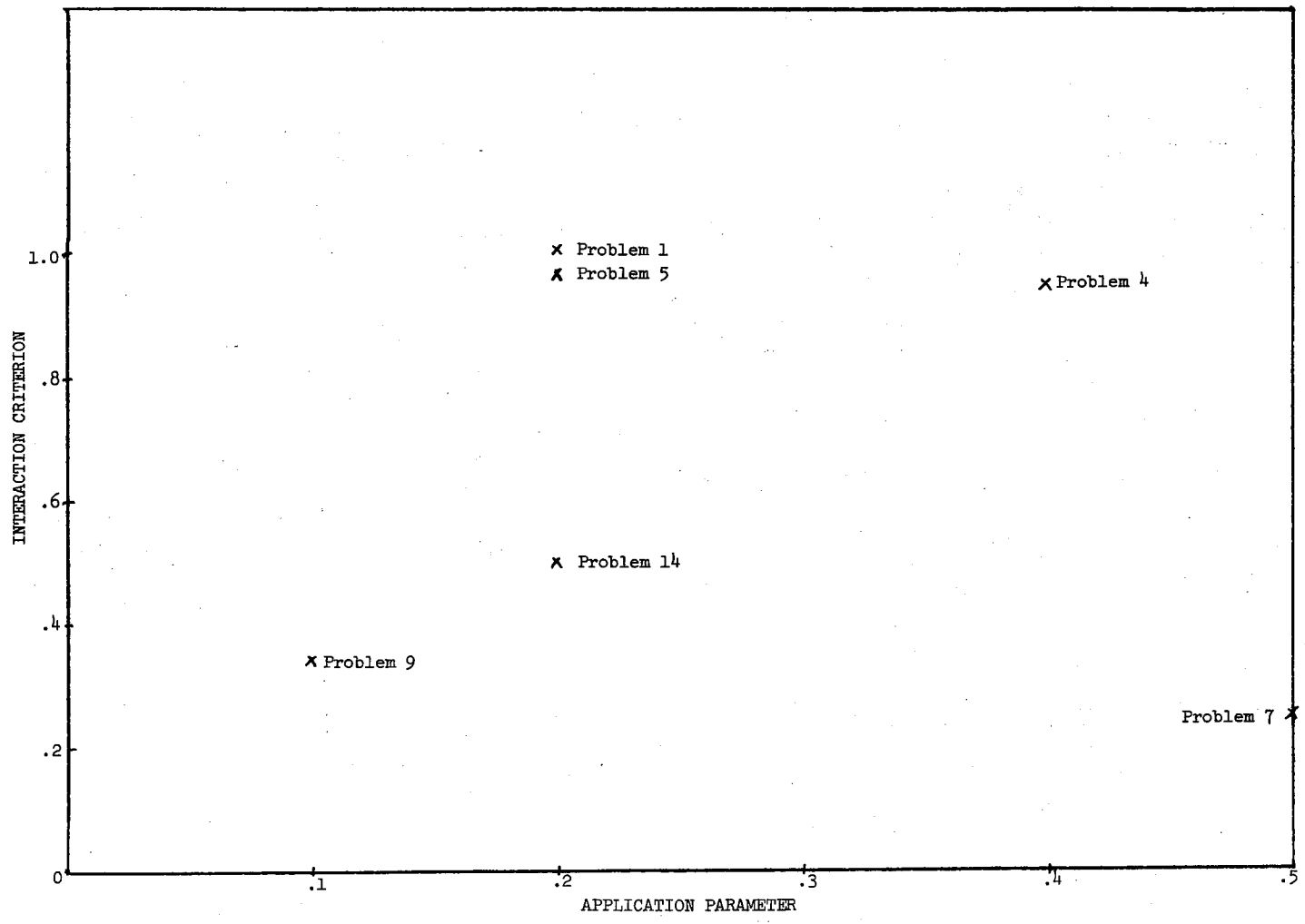


Figure 25. Optimal Application Parameters

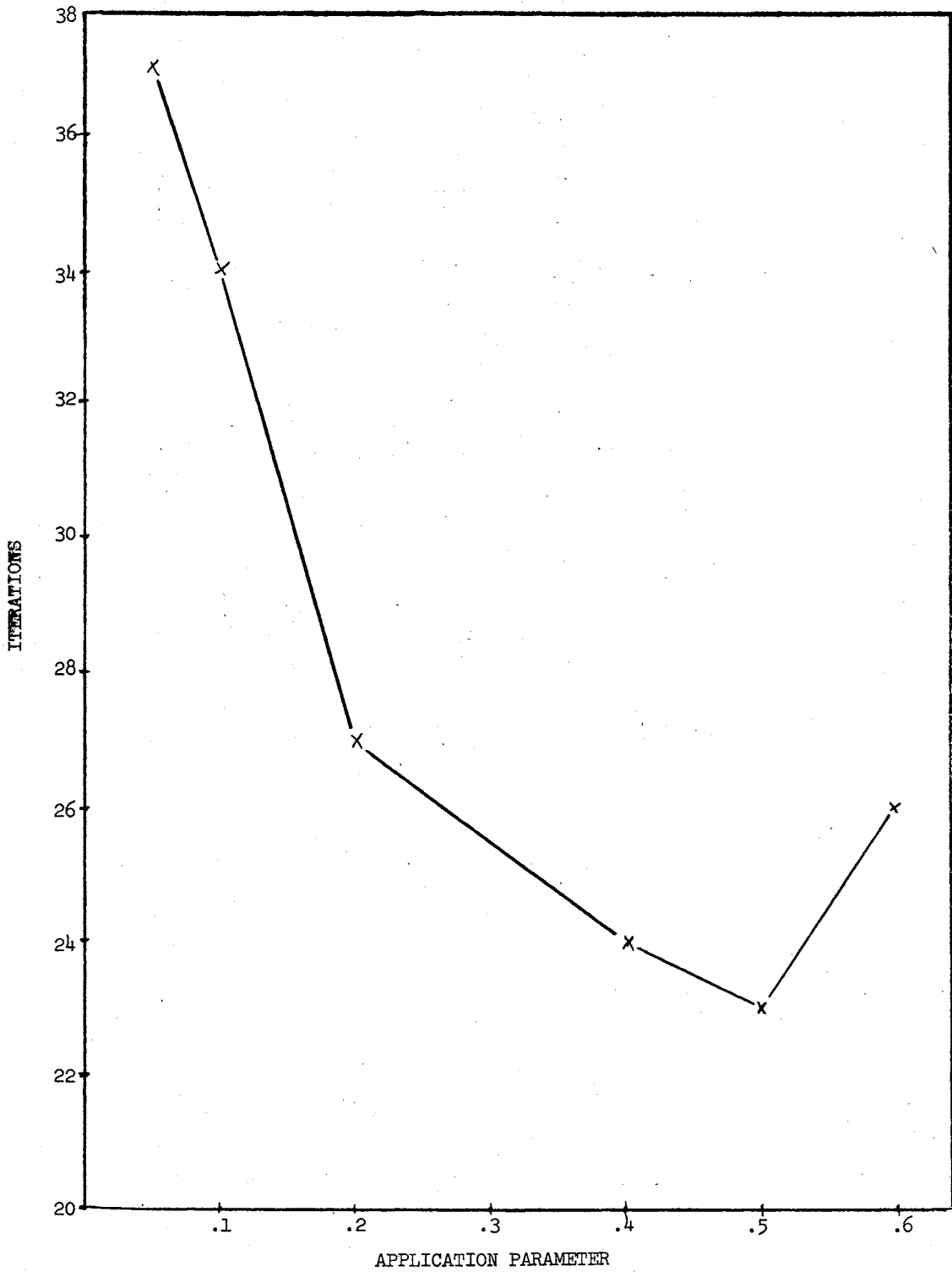


Figure 26. The Effect of Interaction on the Application Parameters

Split Fractions

The split fraction method is simply a material balance that determines the split of each component module and then calculates the correct feed for the modules corresponding to the specified split and the raw feed. The main drawback to the method is the limitation of one feed to each module (unless some extra material balance is internally applied). If a large migration of the split fraction exists, a large error is generated between the real and calculated material balances. The programming involved in the split fraction formulation is difficult and generalization is complex. Further, the split fraction formulation is not readily adaptable for reactors since conservation of molecular species is violated. Even in Problem 7 where the split fraction technique is carefully constructed for application to this specific problem, the resulting time ratio of 1.30 as compared with the Bounded Wegstein (as used with the application parameter) is not favorable. The split fraction formulation is also tested with the Bounded Wegstein acceleration technique applied to the split fractions after three iterations. This method obtains the best time ratio of 0.71 with respect to the Bounded Wegstein using an application parameter of 0.2. However, due to the limited range of application of the split fraction method as constructed, no further effort is made to adapt the program. Other problems are examined, but no improvement in iteration count is observed in any case.

Additionally, in Problem 7, the split fraction method exhibits oscillatory behavior about the solution point. This difficulty is partially relieved by discontinuing the acceleration procedure when

the value of the total molar flow rate began to diminish as shown in Figure 27.

Among the positive factors about the split fraction technique is the bounded nature of the split fraction variables. Since the split fractions vary between zero and one, the procedure seems quite stable as attested to by the monotonic closure of the iterations. Further, even when the Bounded Wegstein without the application parameter is applied, the closure remained monotonic.

The problems encountered with split fractions are the complexity of programming, the time needed for the matrix inversion, the additional core storage requirement as demanded by the inversion procedure, and the non-applicability of the standard procedure to reactors. Along with these considerations the requirement of additional material balances for multiple feed units and the nonapplicability to energy recycles preclude widespread use of the method.

Algorithm Summary

The Bounded Wegstein (as modified) demonstrates the broadest range of usage in the test cases as evidenced in Table 1 and Figures 27 and 28. When coupled with the simplicity of usage and small time demands, the Bounded Wegstein with a few simple constraints provides the most universally applicable method. The fact remains that the Bounded Wegstein does not always significantly decrease the number of iterations. As the amount of variable interaction increases, the Bounded Wegstein becomes worse in its ability to improve the closure rate. Other methods are somewhat in between successive substitutions and the Bounded Wegstein in effectiveness. The restriction on using

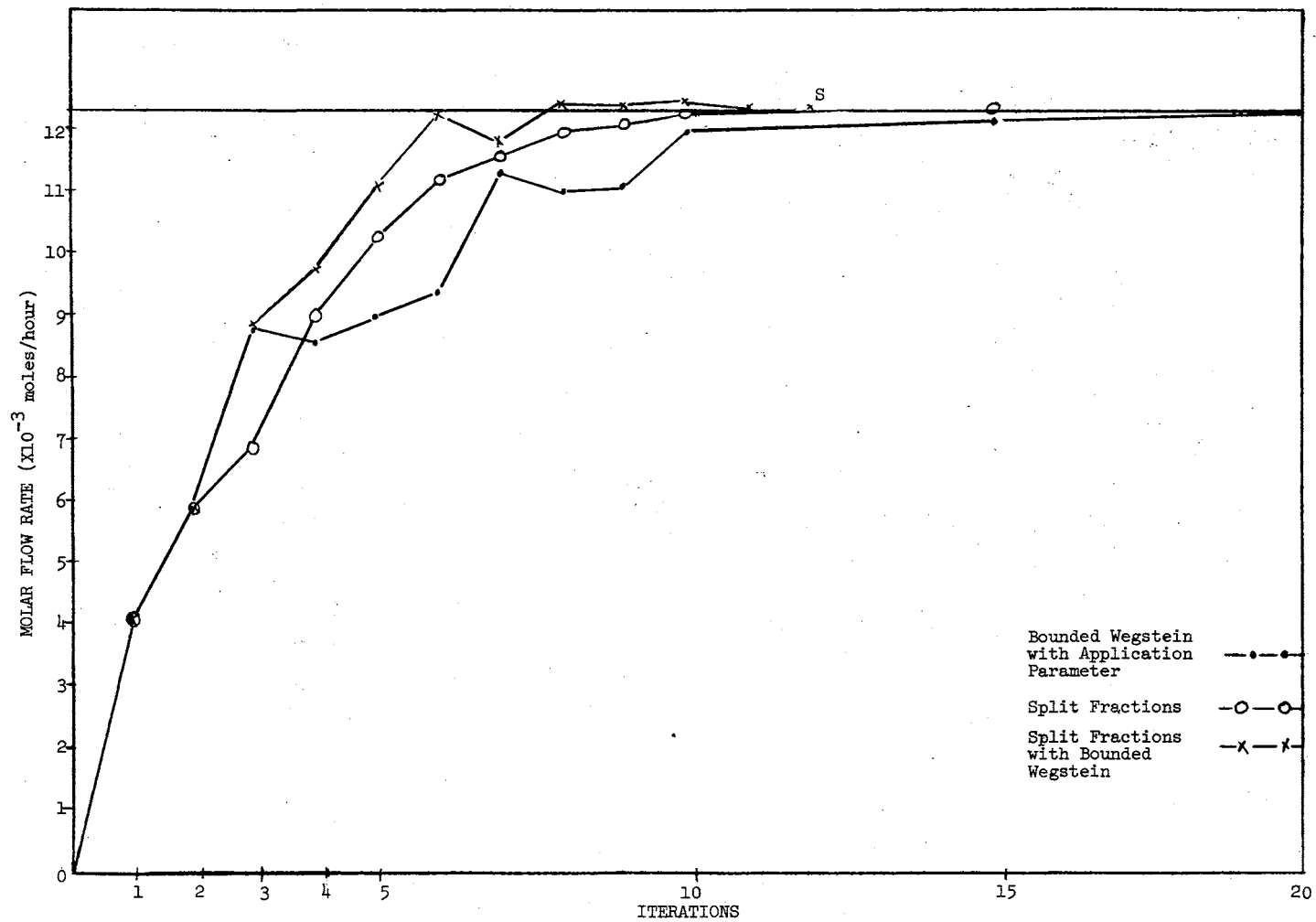


Figure 27. Closure for Stream 9 (Problem No. 7)

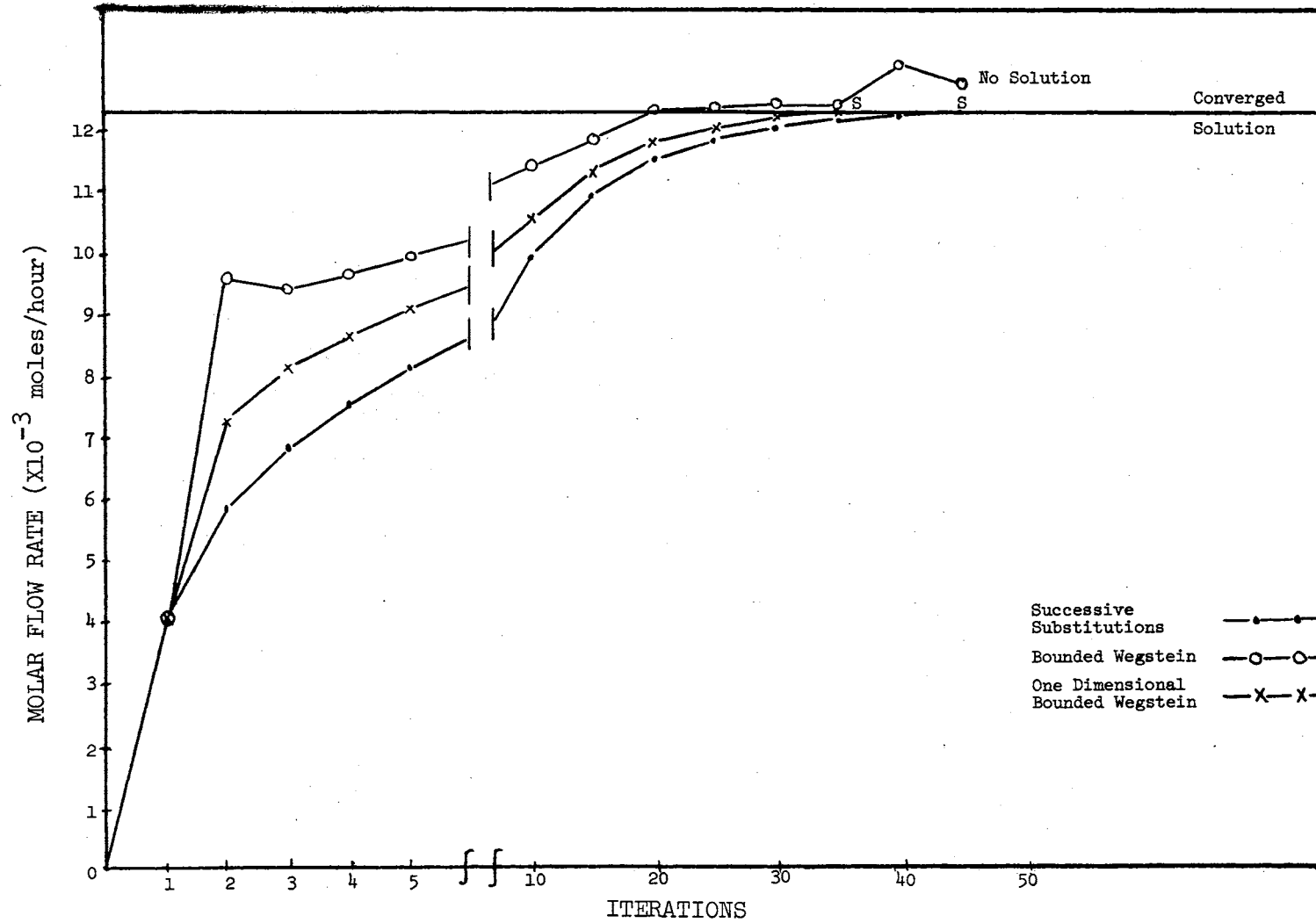


Figure 28. Closure for Stream 5 (Problem No. 7)

a method is the amount of variable interaction in a given problem. In the case of no interaction, all acceleration procedures are satisfactory and some are exact. However, as interaction increases the effect of each acceleration method deteriorates to oscillatory behavior which in some cases inhibits convergence. With the aid of the application bound developed by Orbach and Crowe (12), a flexible parameter is provided for the application of the Bounded Wegstein acceleration method. The application is demonstrated in Figure 29.

Problems

The results of the problems are summarized in Table XIV, page 65. Complete simulation results are located in the appendix, Tables XVI to XXIX. The problems indicated a range of applicability for the various acceleration methods. Problems 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 12 represent direct industrial applications. The remainder are selected to use for comparison with the literature (2 and 7) or to illustrate an extreme case (10, 11, 13, and 14). Various factors are postulated to affect the convergence patterns of the recycle streams. Among the factors are:

1. Relative size of recycle stream.
2. Temperature difference between the recycle stream and the stream which the recycle stream enters.
3. "Interaction" between the variables (molar flow rates).
4. Modular interaction (interacting nonlinearities).
5. Network configuration of recycle streams.

Specific cases are presented for the illustration of such behavior.

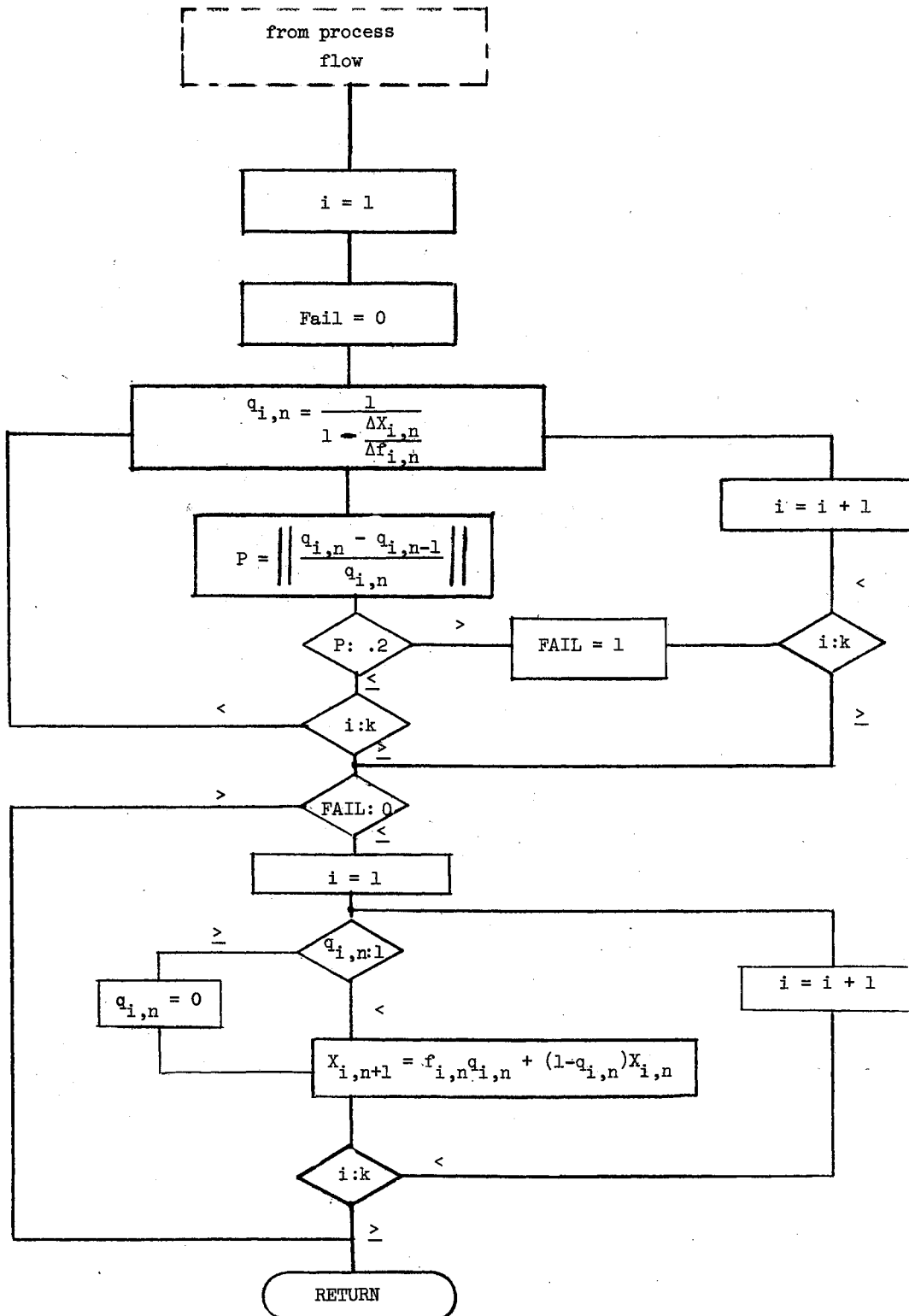


Figure 29. Flow Scheme for Bounded Wegstein with Application Parameter

Problem 1 illustrates a case of an energy recycle alone. No mass is transferred from the recycle stream to the other streams; energy alone, is transferred through the heat exchanger. Although the relative rate of the recycle stream is equivalent to the feed stream and the temperature difference is large, the problem converges quickly. The rapidly converged solution in Problem 1 indicates a relative independence between the temperature of the incoming stream and the split in the first flash unit. Hence, a substantial degree of modular independence is present.

Since the limiting assumption in the Wegstein method is the independence of variables, Problem 11 is created to have no possible interaction. Although large recycle streams are generated by the adder-divider system, the Wegstein method responds by converging the system in a minimal number of iterations. Many permutations of the recycle system have been run and except when round off error becomes significant, the Wegstein performs flawlessly. Strangely enough, however, Problem ¹²13 which also is an adder-divider problem (configuration and overall split is equivalent to Problem 7) is poorly behaved for the convergence accelerators. This problem points toward the network configuration also playing a part in recycle convergence.

Problem ¹³12 is based on a reactor module written specifically for the conversion of toluene to benzene. The goal of the problem is to test the effect of chemical reaction on the convergence schemes. Since the operation of the reactor module is a specified conversion at a given temperature calculating necessary volume, the system becomes as linear and noninteractive as the adder-divider problems and with a single recycle loop responds well to the acceleration algorithms.

Problem 14, although variable interaction is present, demonstrates an intermediate case between the adder-divider system of Problem 11 and Problem 7 which Cavett and Kliesch both examine. The split of the key components is specified in this distillation column representation of Problem 7 (which involved flash units). The time per iteration increases due to the complexity of the distillation calculations. Although the network of the problem is the same as Problem 13 (adder-divider form of Problem 7), the variable interaction as well as the nonlinearity of modular operation slows the convergence time. Nonetheless, the acceleration algorithms are able to affect considerable improvement on the solution. Problem 7 has no specification on the key component split and therefore, permits yet another degree of freedom on the system. Consequently, more iterations are required to solve the problem. But here again significant improvement is noted by the introduction of acceleration techniques. Other intermediate problems are tested using permutations of flash and distillation units, but the results are consistent with the generalizations mentioned as shown in Table XV.

Other problems are presented and the solutions generally adhere to the following rules:

1. The more complex the recycle nesting, the more difficult convergence (even for linear modules) becomes.
2. The larger the amount of recycled material, the more difficult convergence becomes for successive substitutions (this factor does not damage acceleration procedures within the limits of truncation error).
3. The more nonlinear the modular activity, the more the variables "interact," and the more difficult the solution becomes by any procedure.

Obviously, although these observations are true and supported by the presented problems, no quantitative measure is offered for the prediction of these effects a priori. Variable interaction is measured as described under the Bounded Wegstein section but could not be correlated without some knowledge of a quantitative estimate of the complexity of the recycle nest in the particular problem. Perhaps this area could be advanced, and the application of the techniques be made more certain by using an arbitrary application parameter that seems to work.

TABLE XV
RELATIVE MAGNITUDES OF RECYCLED QUANTITIES

| Problem | Iterations | $\frac{R_1}{F_1}$ | $\frac{R_2}{F_2}$ | $\frac{R_3}{F_3}$ | $T_{R1} - T_{F1}$ | $T_{R2} - T_{F2}$ | $T_{R3} - T_{F3}$ |
|---------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 7 | .94 | | | 141.8 | | |
| 2 | 24 | .44 | .655 | .937 | 70.4 | 70 | 61.9 |
| 3 | 10 | 1.0 | .027 | | 29.1 | 10 | |
| 4 | 16 | .16 | .51 | | 10 | 133.7 | |
| 5 | 14 | 1.75 | 1.45 | | 123 | 2 | |
| 6 | 8 | 1.11 | | | 2.0 | | |
| 7 | 44 | .16 | .45 | .20 | 20 | 24 | 35 |
| 8 | 6 | .33 | | | 57 | | |
| 9 | 6 | .40 | | | 56 | | |
| 10 | 12 | 1.38 | .42 | | 20 | 63.4 | |
| 11 | 77 | 8.82 | 1.0 | | | | |
| 12 | 44 | 10.8 | | | | | |
| 13 | 8 | .17 | .45 | .20 | | | |
| 14 | 21 | .70 | .507 | .29 | | | |

CHAPTER V

RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

The problem of recycle convergence is very complex. Among the factors compounding the problem are the nonlinear and often iterative procedures used for calculation of most of the various process elements. A network of the process elements represents the process function. The problem is further magnified by the nonlinear nature of the physical properties which are involved with both the element itself and the exit stream properties. On a larger scale the network of elements as well as the magnitude of the material recycled all contribute to the complexity of recycle convergence.

A number of convergence accelerator algorithms are tested in the OSUPAS simulation system using fourteen example problems. The primary methods tested are geometric fitting, the Pourcian, the Bounded Wegstein, and Split Fraction methods. Of all the acceleration methods tested, the Bounded Wegstein performs consistently the best. But the use of an application parameter on the Bounded Wegstein method is required due to undamped oscillation encountered in two cases where the parameter was not employed. With the application parameter, the Bounded Wegstein method represents an improved convergence acceleration algorithm. This improved method, over a large number of cases, provides a saving of money to the user.

Difficulties with the use of the algorithm can be traced to the nonlinear interaction between the molar flow rates. The presence of interaction contradicts the independence assumption. This simplification is necessitated by the magnitude of the analysis followed when interaction is considered. Unfortunately, no way can be presented to evaluate the magnitude of this interaction.

As far as the block-type simulation systems are concerned, little may be done to improve upon acceleration techniques proposed herein. A solution of the simulation problems may be the development of more explicit nonlinear module simulations that are susceptible to the optimization type of analysis. Workers are currently developing a simulation program of this nature. Such efforts are currently regarded as crude and of no direct application in the practical industrial simulation sense but are necessary to evaluate the feasibility of the optimization approach.

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APPENDIX

SIMULATION RESULTS

TABLE XVI

RESULTS FOR COMPRESSOR-EXPANDER (PROBLEM NO. 1)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| Methane | 5900.00 | 5900.00 | 5851.80 | 5851.80 | 5817.98 | 48.20 | 33.82 | 5817.98 | 5817.98 |
| Ethane | 410.00 | 410.00 | 374.26 | 374.26 | 317.83 | 35.74 | 56.43 | 317.83 | 317.83 |
| Propane | 160.00 | 160.00 | 102.22 | 102.22 | 33.07 | 57.78 | 69.15 | 33.07 | 33.07 |
| i-Butane | 30.00 | 30.00 | 10.42 | 10.42 | 0.91 | 19.58 | 9.51 | 0.91 | 0.91 |
| n-Butane | 45.00 | 45.00 | 10.94 | 10.94 | 0.50 | 34.06 | 10.44 | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| i-Pentane | 9.00 | 9.00 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.01 | 8.12 | 0.87 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| n-Pentane | 15.00 | 15.00 | 0.97 | 0.97 | 0.01 | 14.03 | 0.97 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| n-Heptane | 5.00 | 5.00 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.98 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 6574.00 | 6574.00 | 6351.50 | 6351.50 | 6170.29 | 222.48 | 181.21 | 6170.29 | 6170.29 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 95.00 | -63.14 | -62.95 | -136.80 | -136.80 | -62.95 | -136.80 | 85.00 | 145.09 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 250.00 | 245.00 | 245.00 | 80.00 | 80.00 | 245.00 | 80.00 | 75.00 | 98.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU?HR | 29.6188 | 18.4147 | 19.0672 | 15.2575 | 15.9318 | -0.6316 | -0.6742 | 27.1330 | 30.4463 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 0.97 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 18.35 | 18.35 | 17.48 | 17.48 | 16.93 | 43.20 | 36.33 | 16.93 | 16.93 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.80086 | 1.21492 | 1.12056 | 0.43974 | 0.41402 | 32.57431 | 30.04347 | 0.21943 | 0.25796 |

TABLE XVII

RESULTS FOR CAVETT'S SECOND PROBLEM (PROBLEM NO. 2)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Methane | 8276.00 | 8327.03 | 8327.03 | 8327.01 | 8327.01 | 8327.01 | 8200.87 | 8200.87 | 8200.87 |
| Ethane | 871.00 | 940.10 | 940.10 | 940.10 | 940.10 | 940.10 | 851.28 | 851.28 | 851.28 |
| Propane | 411.00 | 556.45 | 556.45 | 556.43 | 556.43 | 556.43 | 394.69 | 394.69 | 394.69 |
| i-Butane | 28.00 | 50.57 | 50.57 | 50.57 | 50.57 | 50.57 | 24.60 | 24.60 | 24.60 |
| n-Butane | 113.00 | 225.64 | 225.64 | 225.64 | 225.64 | 225.64 | 87.96 | 87.96 | 87.96 |
| i-Pentane | 25.00 | 45.02 | 45.02 | 45.01 | 45.01 | 45.01 | 9.45 | 9.45 | 9.45 |
| n-Pentane | 32.00 | 51.56 | 51.56 | 51.51 | 51.51 | 51.51 | 8.18 | 8.18 | 8.18 |
| n-Hexane | 21.00 | 23.66 | 23.66 | 23.66 | 23.66 | 23.66 | 1.24 | 1.24 | 1.24 |
| n-Heptane | 12.00 | 12.32 | 12.32 | 12.32 | 12.32 | 12.32 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 0.23 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 20.00 | 20.82 | 20.82 | 20.82 | 20.82 | 20.82 | 19.58 | 19.58 | 19.58 |
| Nitrogen | 191.00 | 191.17 | 191.17 | 191.17 | 191.17 | 191.17 | 190.32 | 190.32 | 190.32 |
| TOTAL | 10000.00 | 10444.31 | 10444.31 | 10444.21 | 10444.21 | 10444.21 | 9788.38 | 9788.38 | 9788.38 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 70.00 | 75.56 | 252.24 | 61.85 | 29.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 51.85 | 58.09 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 150.00 | 150.00 | 400.00 | 395.00 | 392.00 | 390.00 | 390.00 | 380.00 | 370.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 43.9653 | 47.3912 | 66.6940 | 43.4927 | 38.2491 | 32.8333 | 33.9465 | 39.1885 | 39.8810 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 19.86 | 20.97 | 20.97 | 20.96 | 20.96 | 20.96 | 19.28 | 19.28 | 19.28 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.54055 | 0.56609 | 1.13241 | 1.63771 | 1.79629 | 1.99424 | 1.73307 | 1.45237 | 1.38897 |

TABLE XVII (Continued)

| Stream Number | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
|---------------------|---------|----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| Methane | 8276.01 | 126.17 | 126.17 | 75.14 | 51.03 | 51.03 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8327.01 |
| Ethane | 870.74 | 88.75 | 88.75 | 19.46 | 69.30 | 69.10 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 940.10 |
| Propane | 407.33 | 161.74 | 161.74 | 12.64 | 149.10 | 145.45 | 3.65 | 3.65 | 556.43 |
| i-Butane | 25.51 | 25.97 | 25.97 | 0.91 | 25.06 | 22.57 | 2.49 | 2.49 | 50.57 |
| n-Butane | 91.48 | 137.68 | 137.68 | 3.52 | 134.16 | 112.64 | 21.53 | 21.53 | 225.64 |
| i-Pentane | 9.86 | 35.57 | 35.57 | 0.41 | 35.16 | 20.02 | 15.13 | 15.13 | 45.01 |
| n-Pentane | 8.56 | 43.39 | 43.39 | 0.38 | 43.00 | 19.56 | 23.45 | 23.45 | 51.51 |
| n-Hexane | 1.31 | 22.42 | 22.42 | 0.07 | 22.36 | 2.66 | 19.69 | 19.69 | 23.66 |
| n-Heptane | 0.25 | 12.09 | 12.09 | 0.01 | 12.08 | 0.32 | 11.75 | 11.75 | 12.32 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 20.00 | 1.23 | 1.23 | 0.42 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 20.82 |
| Nitrogen | 191.00 | 0.85 | 0.85 | 0.68 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 191.17 |
| TOTAL | 9902.01 | 655.87 | 655.87 | 113.64 | 542.23 | 444.33 | 97.90 | 97.90 | 10444.21 |
| Temperature, Deg F. | 52.95 | 0.00 | 60.00 | 54.18 | 54.18 | 144.39 | 237.03 | 52.85 | 70.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 300.00 | 390.00 | 380.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | 150.00 | 150.00 | 140.00 | 398.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 40,3662 | -1.1135 | 0.0512 | 0.4879 | -0.4367 | 3.4265 | 0.5458 | -0.1466 | 44.6584 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 19.33 | 46.13 | 46.13 | 23.82 | 50.81 | 45.75 | 73.77 | 73.77 | 20.96 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 1.12621 | 33.24492 | 15.68814 | 1.44709 | 33.99922 | 1.20959 | 37.98782 | 39.45732 | 1.61464 |

TABLE XVIII

RESULTS FOR OLEFIN TANK REFRIGERATION SYSTEM (PROBLEM NO. 3)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Propane | 192.50 | 204.18 | 11.68 | 192.48 | 11.68 | 11.68 | 11.68 | 11.68 |
| i-Butane | 452.50 | 464.50 | 12.00 | 452.48 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 |
| n-Butane | 515.00 | 525.24 | 10.24 | 514.99 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.24 | 10.24 |
| i-Pentane | 505.00 | 509.53 | 4.53 | 504.99 | 4.53 | 4.53 | 4.53 | 4.53 |
| Propylene | 400.00 | 428.15 | 28.15 | 399.95 | 28.15 | 28.15 | 28.15 | 28.15 |
| i-Butene | 532.50 | 544.52 | 12.02 | 532.48 | 12.02 | 12.02 | 12.02 | 12.02 |
| i-Pentene | 267.50 | 269.65 | 2.15 | 267.50 | 2.15 | 2.15 | 2.15 | 2.15 |
| TOTAL | 2865.00 | 2946.78 | 80.78 | 2864.87 | 80.78 | 80.78 | 80.78 | 80.78 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 105.00 | 105.29 | 115.06 | 100.91 | 100.91 | 120.00 | 215.19 | 130.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 200.00 | 200.00 | 257.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 74.00 | 260.00 | 259.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | -0.2264 | -0.2142 | 0.0122 | -0.7976 | 0.5833 | 0.6167 | 0.7435 | 0.0456 |
| Stream Condition | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 58.16 | 57.97 | 51.31 | 58.16 | 51.31 | 51.31 | 51.31 | 51.31 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 36.26096 | 36.21339 | 34.45183 | 36.20245 | 0.70469 | 0.66502 | 2.32078 | 34.32265 |

TABLE XIX

RESULTS FOR RECOMPRESSION PLANT (PROBLEM NO. 4)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.00 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.90 | 1.07 | 0.00 |
| Methane | 5.10 | 5.19 | 0.01 | 5.19 | 5.19 | 73.40 | 80.19 | 0.09 |
| Ethane | 5.80 | 5.95 | 0.03 | 5.93 | 5.93 | 20.10 | 28.86 | 0.15 |
| Propane | 10.40 | 10.90 | 0.17 | 10.73 | 10.73 | 14.70 | 28.81 | 0.50 |
| i-Butane | 4.60 | 5.09 | 0.19 | 4.90 | 4.90 | 4.70 | 12.13 | 0.49 |
| n-Butane | 4.40 | 4.90 | 0.24 | 4.74 | 4.74 | 3.40 | 10.97 | 0.58 |
| i-Pentane | 1.80 | 2.43 | 0.26 | 2.17 | 2.17 | 1.10 | 5.44 | 0.63 |
| n-Pentane | 1.20 | 1.74 | 0.23 | 1.51 | 1.51 | 0.60 | 3.82 | 0.54 |
| n-Heptane | 1.80 | 4.38 | 2.39 | 1.99 | 1.99 | 0.80 | 4.58 | 2.58 |
| n-Nonane | 0.00 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.18 |
| TOTAL | 35.20 | 40.95 | 3.68 | 37.27 | 37.27 | 119.80 | 176.15 | 5.75 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 110.00 | 100.44 | 110.00 | 110.00 | 188.69 | 100.00 | 92.20 | 100.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 30.00 | 30.00 | 30.00 | 30.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 0.2625 | 0.2635 | 0.0020 | 0.2817 | 0.3389 | 0.6295 | 0.9523 | 0.0010 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 0.89 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.96 | 0.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 46.57 | 51.17 | 89.38 | 47.40 | 47.40 | 26.26 | 33.88 | 79.32 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.23503 | 0.29669 | 41.08318 | 0.23944 | 0.65266 | 0.40492 | 0.56159 | 39.66931 |

TABLE XIX (Continued)

| Stream Number | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| Nitrogen | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.33 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.43 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 1.07 | 1.07 | 2.93 | 4.00 | 0.07 | 3.93 | 3.93 |
| Methane | 80.10 | 80.10 | 185.33 | 265.43 | 1.60 | 263.82 | 263.82 |
| Ethane | 28.71 | 28.71 | 62.28 | 90.99 | 2.83 | 88.15 | 88.15 |
| Propane | 28.31 | 28.31 | 6.33 | 34.64 | 3.38 | 31.26 | 31.26 |
| i-Butane | 11.64 | 11.64 | 0.75 | 12.39 | 2.53 | 9.86 | 9.86 |
| n-Butane | 10.38 | 10.38 | 0.38 | 10.76 | 2.83 | 7.94 | 7.94 |
| i-Pentane | 4.81 | 4.81 | 0.04 | 4.85 | 2.17 | 2.68 | 2.68 |
| n-Pentane | 3.27 | 3.27 | 0.02 | 3.29 | 1.70 | 1.59 | 1.59 |
| n-Heptane | 2.00 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 1.79 | 0.21 | 0.21 |
| n-Nonane | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.18 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 170.40 | 170.40 | 258.55 | 428.95 | 19.08 | 409.87 | 409.87 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 100.00 | 214.43 | 55.00 | 135.02 | 55.00 | 55.00 | 224.77 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 90.00 | 280.00 | 280.00 | 280.00 | 280.00 | 280.00 | 1025.00 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 32.35 | 32.35 | 20.71 | 25.33 | 55.32 | 23.94 | 23.94 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.50643 | 1.35451 | 1.13119 | 1.19195 | 35.03120 | 1.34439 | 3.80979 |

TABLE XX

RESULTS FOR ABSORBER NETWORK (PROBLEM NO. 5)

| Stream Number | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
|--------------------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| Hydrogen | 0.00 | 2013.64 | 1971.90 | 41.70 | 41.70 | 65.33 | 65.33 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 2.20 | 4.30 | 2.18 | 2.12 | 2.12 | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| Methane | 0.00 | 346.83 | 306.98 | 39.82 | 39.82 | 37.26 | 37.26 |
| Ethane | 0.00 | 279.23 | 177.14 | 102.05 | 102.05 | 64.46 | 64.46 |
| Propane | 0.00 | 172.17 | 63.64 | 108.45 | 108.45 | 136.33 | 136.33 |
| i-Butane | 0.00 | 9.89 | 2.04 | 7.86 | 7.86 | 33.82 | 33.82 |
| n-Butane | 2.20 | 12.02 | 1.97 | 10.05 | 10.05 | 45.93 | 45.93 |
| Hypothetical Component 1 | 1629.40 | 1695.56 | 6.24 | 1689.41 | 1689.41 | 1632.61 | 0.00 |
| Hypothetical Component 2 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 1633.80 | 4533.64 | 2532.08 | 2001.46 | 2001.46 | 2015.80 | 383.19 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 110.00 | 156.64 | 110.00 | 110.00 | 233.00 | 226.87 | 226.87 |
| Pressure PSIA | 544.00 | 544.00 | 544.00 | 544.00 | 544.00 | 624.00 | 624.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 3.9651 | 20.7543 | 10.5564 | 4.6868 | 16.2642 | 15.7737 | 2.8631 |
| Stream Condition | 0.00 | 0.57 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 111.92 | 47.89 | 7.12 | 99.46 | 99.46 | 97.40 | 34.75 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 46.83661 | 6.01347 | 0.62691 | 45.27165 | 44.52390 | 44.50763 | 3.63289 |

TABLE XX (Continued)

| Stream Number | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
|--------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| Hydrogen | 0.00 | 1994.50 | 2059.83 | 2037.28 | 22.55 | 2037.28 | 2013.64 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 2.10 |
| Methane | 0.00 | 330.50 | 367.76 | 344.27 | 23.49 | 344.27 | 346.83 |
| Ethane | 0.00 | 249.70 | 314.16 | 241.63 | 72.53 | 241.63 | 279.23 |
| Propane | 0.00 | 248.70 | 385.03 | 199.94 | 185.08 | 199.94 | 172.17 |
| i-Butane | 0.00 | 78.60 | 112.42 | 35.87 | 76.55 | 35.87 | 9.89 |
| n-Butane | 0.00 | 129.00 | 174.93 | 45.69 | 129.24 | 45.69 | 9.82 |
| Hypothetical Component 1 | 1632.61 | 1412.50 | 1412.50 | 9.35 | 1403.15 | 9.35 | 66.16 |
| Hypothetical Component 2 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 1632.61 | 4443.50 | 4826.69 | 2914.08 | 1912.60 | 2914.08 | 2899.84 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 226.87 | 110.00 | 121.29 | 110.00 | 110.00 | 231.00 | 233.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 624.00 | 324.00 | 324.00 | 324.00 | 324.00 | 324.00 | 620.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 14.0911 | 15.3826 | 18.2456 | 12.9403 | 3.8742 | 16.3007 | 16.7891 |
| Stream Condition | 0.00 | 0.60 | 0.61 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 112.10 | 44.61 | 43.82 | 10.81 | 94.12 | 10.81 | 11.81 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 46.33899 | 3.64787 | 3.49042 | 0.57440 | 44.07520 | 0.47111 | 0.97971 |

TABLE XXI

RESULTS FOR GAS CLEANUP BEFORE DEPROPANIZER (PROBLEM NO. 6)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| Methane | 50.30 | 61.05 | 61.02 | 49.65 | 0.00 | 38.91 | 10.75 | 10.75 | 11.36 |
| Ethane | 78.40 | 131.22 | 131.21 | 64.33 | 0.00 | 11.51 | 52.82 | 52.82 | 66.88 |
| Propane | 120.60 | 156.10 | 156.22 | 35.68 | 0.00 | 0.18 | 35.50 | 35.50 | 120.54 |
| i-Butane | 172.60 | 194.48 | 194.55 | 21.88 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 21.88 | 21.88 | 172.67 |
| n-Butane | 243.70 | 266.81 | 266.88 | 23.11 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 23.11 | 23.11 | 243.77 |
| i-Pentane | 5.10 | 5.31 | 5.31 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.21 | 5.10 |
| n-Pentane | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| n-Hexane | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Lean Oil | 0.00 | 600.69 | 600.69 | 0.69 | 600.00 | 0.00 | 600.69 | 600.69 | 600.00 |
| TOTAL | 670.70 | 1415.66 | 1415.88 | 195.56 | 600.00 | 50.60 | 744.96 | 744.96 | 1220.32 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 156.83 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 123.03 | 122.03 | 100.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 111.00 | 95.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 80.00 | 90.00 | 80.00 | 95.00 | 90.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 5.0596 | 8.5690 | 3.8472 | 1.1807 | 2.6275 | 0.2362 | 3.5719 | 3.5093 | 2.6665 |
| Stream Conditon | 0.99 | 0.29 | 0.14 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 49.27 | 82.71 | 82.71 | 35.92 | 130.00 | 19.34 | 112.82 | 112.82 | 90.21 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 1.00855 | 7.76495 | 7.76495 | 0.56956 | 43.56520 | 0.29434 | 41.97598 | 41.98514 | 40.06017 |

TABLE XXII

RESULTS FOR CAVETT'S FIRST PROBLEM (PROBLEM NO. 7)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 358.20 | 400.48 | 22.40 | 378.06 | 19.88 | 358.18 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.60 | 7939.34 | 1895.57 | 6042.46 | 1082.85 | 4959.61 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.40 | 783.18 | 326.37 | 456.65 | 122.71 | 333.95 |
| Methane | 2995.50 | 3780.64 | 466.11 | 3314.15 | 319.10 | 2995.05 |
| Ethane | 2395.50 | 4885.40 | 1724.52 | 3159.90 | 780.44 | 2379.46 |
| Propane | 2291.00 | 7930.11 | 4812.45 | 3115.68 | 1236.11 | 1879.57 |
| i-Butane | 604.10 | 1731.87 | 1326.64 | 404.92 | 209.05 | 195.87 |
| n-Butane | 1539.90 | 3673.39 | 2973.44 | 699.50 | 400.90 | 298.60 |
| i-Pentane | 790.40 | 1166.64 | 1048.63 | 117.98 | 80.30 | 37.68 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.90 | 1535.67 | 1407.71 | 127.95 | 92.55 | 35.39 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.70 | 1954.86 | 1888.58 | 66.29 | 55.59 | 10.70 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.70 | 2711.54 | 2671.66 | 39.89 | 36.09 | 3.80 |
| n-Octane | 1844.50 | 1871.61 | 1860.45 | 11.16 | 10.60 | 0.56 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.00 | 1678.80 | 1674.47 | 4.33 | 4.21 | 0.12 |
| n-Decane | 831.70 | 833.79 | 832.80 | 0.98 | 0.97 | 0.02 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.50 | 1215.87 | 1215.19 | 0.69 | 0.68 | 0.01 |
| TOTAL | 27340.59 | 44093.16 | 26146.96 | 17940.56 | 4451.99 | 13488.54 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 79.48 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 270.00 | 49.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 70.1148 | 152.1759 | 29.0870 | 93.5708 | 1.5630 | 50.0229 |
| Stream Conditon | 0.34 | 0.64 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 68.48 | 59.72 | 75.03 | 37.42 | 43.54 | 35.41 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 8.04567 | 0.80137 | 39.54614 | 1.83061 | 35.07968 | 7.50530 |

TABLE XXII (Continued)

| Stream Number | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| Nitrogen | 22.63 | 0.23 | 22.40 | 0.00 | 0.23 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 2029.76 | 139.00 | 1890.89 | 4.87 | 134.18 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 381.10 | 59.99 | 321.07 | 5.28 | 54.73 |
| Methane | 479.60 | 13.66 | 466.04 | 0.18 | 13.49 |
| Ethane | 1946.26 | 236.53 | 1709.47 | 14.83 | 221.74 |
| Propane | 6481.77 | 2074.89 | 4403.00 | 404.49 | 1669.33 |
| i-Butane | 1978.27 | 1058.24 | 918.72 | 405.66 | 651.63 |
| n-Butane | 4424.73 | 2689.83 | 1732.59 | 1236.56 | 1451.29 |
| i-Pentane | 1398.19 | 1101.94 | 295.94 | 752.05 | 349.56 |
| n-Pentane | 1801.22 | 1487.69 | 313.22 | 1093.83 | 393.51 |
| n-Hexane | 2082.58 | 1947.89 | 134.57 | 1753.77 | 194.00 |
| n-Heptane | 2771.90 | 2703.08 | 68.75 | 2602.80 | 100.24 |
| n-Octane | 1883.78 | 1867.25 | 16.52 | 1843.91 | 23.33 |
| n-Nonane | 1682.03 | 1676.43 | 5.59 | 1668.87 | 7.56 |
| n-Decane | 834.25 | 833.13 | 1.12 | 831.68 | 1.45 |
| n-Undecane | 1216.04 | 1215.35 | 0.69 | 1214.49 | 0.86 |
| TOTAL | 31414.10 | 19105.13 | 12300.56 | 13833.26 | 5267.11 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 45.62 | 96.00 | 96.00 | 85.00 | 85.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 13.00 | 49.00 | 49.00 | 13.00 | 13.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 70.8625 | 5.9659 | 80.4980 | -0.1674 | 41.7745 |
| Stream Condition | 0.51 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 71.83 | 88.40 | 46.12 | 100.76 | 55.98 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.34330 | 40.98279 | 0.39602 | 42.49292 | 0.12692 |

TABLE XXIII

RESULTS FOR ABSORBER (PROBLEM NO. 8)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| Hydrogen | 63.40 | 0.00 | 63.40 | 63.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Methane | 119.60 | 0.00 | 127.96 | 119.60 | 8.36 | 8.36 | 0.00 |
| Ethane | 134.80 | 0.00 | 186.67 | 134.77 | 51.90 | 51.87 | 0.03 |
| Propane | 90.56 | 0.00 | 184.17 | 35.27 | 148.90 | 51.87 | 55.29 |
| i-Butane | 11.30 | 0.00 | 11.57 | 0.05 | 11.52 | 0.27 | 11.25 |
| n-Butane | 29.60 | 0.00 | 29.94 | 0.02 | 29.92 | 0.34 | 29.58 |
| n-Pentane | 3.70 | 0.00 | 3.72 | 0.00 | 3.72 | 0.02 | 3.70 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 2.20 | 0.00 | 3.33 | 2.19 | 1.14 | 1.13 | 0.01 |
| Hypothetical Component x | 9.30 | 0.00 | 9.32 | 0.00 | 9.32 | 0.02 | 9.30 |
| Hypothetical Component 1 | 0.00 | 25.76 | 0.03 | 1.23 | 24.56 | 0.03 | 24.53 |
| Hypothetical Component 2 | 0.00 | 51.44 | 0.03 | 1.29 | 50.18 | 0.03 | 50.15 |
| Hypothetical Component 3 | 0.00 | 77.10 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 77.13 | 0.03 | 77.10 |
| Hypothetical Component 4 | 0.00 | 102.81 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 102.84 | 0.03 | 102.81 |
| Hypothetical Component 5 | 0.00 | 257.02 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 257.07 | 0.05 | 257.02 |
| Hypothetical Component 6 | 0.00 | 154.24 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 154.26 | 0.02 | 154.24 |
| Hypothetical Component 7 | 0.00 | 102.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 102.88 | 0.01 | 102.87 |
| TOTAL | 469.16 | 771.24 | 624.97 | 357.81 | 1038.39 | 155.81 | 882.58 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 100.00 | 100.00 | 83.65 | 115.00 | 133.56 | 43.30 | 294.80 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 96.00 | 98.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 2.6558 | 1.7799 | 3.4366 | 1.8343 | 3.3821 | 0.7810 | 10.8502 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 29.62 | 116.43 | 31.71 | 22.28 | 97.88 | 37.99 | 108.45 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.51384 | 46.46425 | 0.57344 | 0.35386 | 43.65807 | 0.78465 | 43.97685 |

TABLE XXIV
RESULTS FOR ABSORBER (PROBLEM NO. 9)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| Hydrogen | 63.40 | 0.00 | 63.40 | 63.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Methane | 119.60 | 0.00 | 130.09 | 119.60 | 10.49 | 10.49 | 0.00 |
| Ethane | 134.80 | 0.00 | 204.64 | 134.75 | 69.89 | 69.84 | 0.05 |
| Propane | 90.56 | 0.00 | 193.02 | 19.29 | 173.73 | 102.46 | 71.26 |
| i-Butane | 11.30 | 0.00 | 11.62 | 0.02 | 11.60 | 0.32 | 11.28 |
| n-Butane | 29.60 | 0.00 | 30.07 | 0.01 | 30.07 | 0.47 | 29.59 |
| i-Pentane | 3.70 | 0.00 | 3.72 | 0.00 | 3.72 | 0.02 | 3.70 |
| n-Pentane | 4.70 | 0.00 | 4.72 | 0.00 | 4.72 | 0.02 | 4.70 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 2.20 | 0.00 | 3.47 | 2.19 | 1.28 | 1.27 | 0.01 |
| Hypothetical Component x | 9.30 | 0.00 | 9.32 | 0.00 | 9.32 | 0.02 | 9.30 |
| Hypothetical Component 1 | 0.00 | 30.74 | 0.05 | 1.15 | 29.64 | 0.05 | 29.59 |
| Hypothetical Component 2 | 0.00 | 61.39 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 61.44 | 0.05 | 61.39 |
| Hypothetical Component 3 | 0.00 | 92.01 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 92.07 | 0.06 | 92.01 |
| Hypothetical Component 4 | 0.00 | 122.70 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 122.75 | 0.05 | 122.70 |
| Hypothetical Component 5 | 0.00 | 306.73 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 306.82 | 0.09 | 306.73 |
| Hypothetical Component 6 | 0.00 | 184.07 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 184.10 | 0.03 | 184.07 |
| Hypothetical Component 7 | 0.00 | 122.77 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 122.78 | 0.01 | 122.77 |
| TOTAL | 469.16 | 920.42 | 654.41 | 340.40 | 1234.43 | 185.26 | 1049.17 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 100.00 | 100.00 | 81.98 | 115.00 | 132.41 | 44.42 | 293.17 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 96.00 | 98.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 2,5557 | 2.1241 | 3.5800 | 1.7027 | 4.0013 | 0.9245 | 12.7983 |
| Stream Condition | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 29.62 | 116.43 | 31.80 | 20.95 | 97.90 | 37.34 | 108.59 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 0.51384 | 46.46425 | 0.57760 | 0.33189 | 43.65855 | 0.76637 | 44.00972 |

TABLE XXV

RESULTS FOR COMPLETE STRIPPER-ABSORBER SYSTEM (PROBLEM NO. 10)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Methane | 50.30 | 61.06 | 61.07 | 55.00 | 50.30 |
| Ethane | 78.40 | 193.40 | 193.42 | 129.17 | 78.40 |
| Propane | 120.60 | 498.88 | 499.05 | 191.64 | 20.51 |
| i-Butane | 172.60 | 220.86 | 220.87 | 46.82 | 0.37 |
| n-Butane | 243.70 | 293.11 | 293.09 | 49.13 | 0.14 |
| i-Pentane | 5.10 | 5.56 | 5.56 | 0.46 | 0.00 |
| n-Pentane | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| n-Hexane | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Lean Oil | 0.00 | 598.98 | 598.98 | 1.51 | 2.67 |
| TOTAL | 670.70 | 1871.84 | 1872.02 | 473.72 | 152.39 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 142.50 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 111.00 | 80.00 | 75.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 5.0596 | 11.3630 | 6.5273 | 2.9922 | 0.8314 |
| Stream Condition | 0.99 | 0.47 | 0.32 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 49.27 | 73.16 | 73.15 | 40.16 | 29.17 |
| Density LB/CUFT | 1.00855 | 1.96609 | 2.83656 | 0.64699 | 0.45368 |

TABLE XXV (Continued)

| Stream Number | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|
| Methane | 6.06 | 0.00 | 6.06 | 0.00 | 4.70 |
| Ethane | 64.25 | 0.02 | 64.23 | 0.00 | 50.77 |
| Propane | 307.41 | 100.25 | 207.15 | 0.00 | 171.13 |
| i-Butane | 174.05 | 172.24 | 1.82 | 0.00 | 46.45 |
| n-Butane | 243.95 | 243.54 | 0.42 | 0.00 | 48.99 |
| i-Pentane | 5.10 | 5.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.46 |
| n-Pentane | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| n-Hexane | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Lean Oil | 597.47 | 597.34 | 0.13 | 600.00 | 598.84 |
| TOTAL | 1398.29 | 1118.48 | 279.81 | 600.00 | 921.33 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 100.00 | 185.76 | 56.62 | 100.00 | 140.01 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 90.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 | 80.00 | 80.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 2.6114 | 7.1835 | 1.5157 | 2.6275 | 4.7886 |
| Stream Condition | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 84.33 | 95.32 | 40.42 | 130.00 | 100.48 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 39.32448 | 40.11765 | 0.76922 | 43.56520 | 40.72920 |

TABLE XXVI

RESULTS FOR ADDER-DIVIDER (PROBLEM NO. 11)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Nitrogen | 358.20 | 3519.89 | 7932.86 | 3512.98 | 351.30 | 3512.98 | 3161.69 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.60 | 48794.91 | 97494.06 | 48699.23 | 4869.92 | 48699.21 | 43829.31 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.40 | 335.15 | 663.75 | 3328.61 | 332.86 | 3328.60 | 2995.75 |
| Methane | 2995.50 | 29435.68 | 58813.63 | 29377.97 | 2937.80 | 29377.96 | 26440.18 |
| Ethane | 2395.50 | 23539.69 | 47033.23 | 23493.55 | 2349.35 | 23493.54 | 21144.19 |
| Propane | 2291.00 | 22512.81 | 44981.47 | 22468.68 | 2246.87 | 22468.66 | 20221.81 |
| i-Butane | 604.10 | 5936.23 | 11860.82 | 5924.59 | 592.46 | 5924.59 | 5332.13 |
| n-Butane | 1539.90 | 15132.01 | 30234.34 | 15102.35 | 1510.23 | 15102.33 | 13592.11 |
| i-Pentane | 790.40 | 7766.95 | 15518.66 | 7751.72 | 775.17 | 7751.71 | 6976.55 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.90 | 11103.09 | 22184.41 | 11081.32 | 1108.13 | 11081.32 | 9973.19 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.70 | 17341.04 | 34648.07 | 17307.05 | 1730.70 | 17307.03 | 15576.34 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.70 | 25615.07 | 51179.91 | 25564.86 | 2556.48 | 25564.85 | 23008.37 |
| n-Octane | 1844.50 | 18125.22 | 36214.89 | 18089.69 | 1808.97 | 18089.67 | 16280.72 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.00 | 16400.64 | 32769.12 | 16368.49 | 1636.85 | 16368.48 | 14731.64 |
| n-Decane | 831.70 | 8172.79 | 16329.55 | 8156.77 | 815.68 | 8156.76 | 7341.09 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.50 | 11934.43 | 23845.46 | 11911.04 | 1191.10 | 11911.03 | 10719.93 |
| TOTAL | 27340.59 | 268665.25 | 536803.81 | 268138.44 | 26813.87 | 268138.31 | 241324.63 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 70.1148 | 689.0088 | 1376.6907 | 687.6703 | 68.7670 | 687.6697 | 618.9028 |
| Stream Condition | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 |
| Molecular Weight | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 |
| Density LB/Cuft | 8.04567 | 8.04560 | 8.04558 | 8.04561 | 8.04558 | 8.04559 | 8.04561 |

TABLE XXVII

RESULTS FOR BENZENE REACTOR WITH RECYCLE (PROBLEM NO. 12)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Hydrogen | 0.00 | 156.81 | 146.71 | 146.59 | 146.46 |
| Toluene | 20.00 | 20.20 | 10.10 | 10.10 | 0.22 |
| Benzene | 0.00 | 0.61 | 10.71 | 10.71 | 0.68 |
| Methane | 0.00 | 83.66 | 93.76 | 93.67 | 92.95 |
| TOTAL | 20.00 | 261.28 | 261.28 | 261.07 | 240.31 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 500.30 | 1300.30 | 1312.07 | 70.00 | 70.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 0.2217 | 4.9542 | 4.9546 | 0.7777 | 0.9168 |
| Stream Condition | 0.00 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 0.92 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 92.13 | 13.65 | 13.65 | 13.66 | 7.74 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 51.16753 | 0.35828 | 0.35599 | 1.28530 | 0.67824 |

TABLE XXVII (Continued)

| Stream Number | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|--------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Hydrogen | 0.13 | 14.65 | 25.00 | 131.81 |
| Toluene | 9.88 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.20 |
| Benzene | 10.03 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.61 |
| Methane | 0.72 | 9.30 | 0.00 | 83.66 |
| TOTAL | 20.76 | 24.03 | 25.00 | 216.28 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 70.00 | 70.00 | 70.00 | 70.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | -0.1391 | 0.0917 | 0.0902 | 0.8252 |
| Stream Condition | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 82.16 | 7.74 | 2.02 | 7.74 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 53.95784 | 0.67824 | 0.17366 | 0.67824 |

TABLE XXVIII

RESULTS FOR ADDER-DIVIDER FORM OF CAVETT'S FIRST PROBLEM (PROBLEM NO. 13)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 358.20 | 579.71 | 343.37 | 413.09 | 250.75 | 181.04 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.60 | 8036.25 | 2760.05 | 5726.51 | 3475.99 | 2509.67 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.40 | 549.28 | 325.35 | 391.41 | 237.58 | 171.54 |
| Methane | 2995.50 | 4847.88 | 2871.50 | 3454.53 | 2096.90 | 1513.96 |
| Ethane | 2395.50 | 3876.85 | 2296.34 | 2762.58 | 1676.89 | 1210.71 |
| Propane | 2291.00 | 3707.73 | 2196.17 | 2642.07 | 1603.74 | 1157.90 |
| i-Butane | 604.10 | 977.67 | 579.09 | 696.67 | 422.88 | 305.32 |
| n-Butane | 1539.90 | 2492.16 | 1476.16 | 1775.87 | 1077.96 | 778.28 |
| i-Pentane | 790.40 | 1279.17 | 757.68 | 911.52 | 553.29 | 399.48 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.90 | 1828.62 | 1083.13 | 1303.04 | 790.95 | 571.06 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.70 | 2855.97 | 1691.65 | 2035.12 | 1235.32 | 891.90 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.70 | 4218.65 | 2498.80 | 3006.15 | 1824.73 | 1317.46 |
| n-Octane | 1844.50 | 2985.12 | 1768.15 | 2127.15 | 1291.18 | 932.23 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.00 | 2701.09 | 1599.91 | 1924.76 | 1168.33 | 843.53 |
| n-Decane | 831.70 | 1346.01 | 797.27 | 959.15 | 582.20 | 420.35 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.50 | 1965.53 | 1164.23 | 1400.61 | 850.17 | 613.82 |
| TOTAL | 27340.59 | 44247.65 | 26208.82 | 31530.20 | 19138.83 | 13818.23 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 70.1148 | 113.4758 | 67.2142 | 80.8625 | 49.0836 | 35.4383 |
| Stream Condition | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 |
| Molecular Weight | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 8.04567 | 8.04558 | 8.04558 | 8.04559 | 8.04560 | 8.04560 |

TABLE XXVIII (Continued)

| Stream Number | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|--------------------|----------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
| Nitrogen | 236.65 | 59.16 | 117.49 | 162.34 | 69.71 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 3280.58 | 820.14 | 2460.43 | 2250.52 | 966.33 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 224.23 | 56.06 | 168.17 | 153.82 | 66.05 |
| Methane | 1979.01 | 494.75 | 1484.26 | 1357.63 | 582.94 |
| Ethane | 1582.61 | 395.65 | 1186.96 | 1085.69 | 466.18 |
| Propane | 1513.58 | 378.39 | 1135.18 | 1038.33 | 445.84 |
| i-Butane | 399.11 | 99.78 | 299.33 | 273.79 | 117.56 |
| n-Butane | 1017.35 | 254.34 | 763.01 | 697.92 | 299.67 |
| i-Pentane | 522.19 | 130.55 | 391.64 | 358.23 | 153.82 |
| n-Pentane | 746.48 | 186.62 | 559.86 | 512.10 | 219.88 |
| n-Hexane | 1165.87 | 291.47 | 874.40 | 799.80 | 343.42 |
| n-Heptane | 1722.14 | 430.54 | 1291.61 | 1181.41 | 507.28 |
| n-Octane | 1218.59 | 304.65 | 913.94 | 835.97 | 358.95 |
| n-Nonane | 1102.64 | 275.66 | 826.98 | 756.43 | 324.79 |
| n-Decane | 549.47 | 137.37 | 412.10 | 376.94 | 161.85 |
| n-Undecane | 802.37 | 200.59 | 601.78 | 550.44 | 236.35 |
| TOTAL | 18062.84 | 4515.71 | 13547.13 | 12391.35 | 5320.59 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 46.3233 | 11.5808 | 34.7425 | 31.7789 | 13.6452 |
| Stream Condition | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.34 |
| Molecular Weight | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 | 68.48 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 8.04559 | 8.04557 | 8.04560 | 8.04560 | 8.04557 |

TABLE XXIX

RESULTS FOR CAVETT'S FIRST PROBLEM (DIST) (PROBLEM NO. 14)

| Stream Number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Nitrogen | 358.20 | 400.68 | 22.64 | 378.04 | 19.84 | 358.20 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 4965.60 | 7940.13 | 1901.46 | 6038.67 | 1077.81 | 4960.86 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 339.40 | 782.60 | 326.38 | 456.22 | 122.11 | 334.11 |
| Methane | 2995.50 | 3782.72 | 469.45 | 3313.27 | 318.08 | 2995.19 |
| Ethane | 2395.50 | 4882.77 | 1725.36 | 3157.41 | 776.86 | 2380.55 |
| Propane | 2291.00 | 7894.84 | 4786.64 | 3108.21 | 1228.54 | 1879.67 |
| i-Butane | 604.10 | 1732.71 | 1325.63 | 407.07 | 209.46 | 197.61 |
| n-Butane | 1539.90 | 3677.66 | 2973.14 | 704.51 | 402.51 | 302.01 |
| i-Pentane | 790.40 | 1168.53 | 1049.27 | 119.26 | 80.97 | 38.29 |
| n-Pentane | 1129.90 | 1538.17 | 1408.70 | 129.48 | 93.44 | 36.03 |
| n-Hexane | 1764.70 | 1956.86 | 1889.52 | 67.33 | 56.38 | 10.95 |
| n-Heptane | 2606.70 | 2713.02 | 2672.37 | 40.65 | 36.74 | 3.91 |
| n-Octane | 1844.50 | 1872.09 | 1860.68 | 11.41 | 10.83 | 0.58 |
| n-Nonane | 1669.00 | 1679.01 | 1674.57 | 4.44 | 4.32 | 0.13 |
| n-Decane | 831.70 | 833.84 | 832.83 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 0.02 |
| n-Undecane | 1214.50 | 1215.91 | 1215.20 | 0.71 | 0.70 | 0.01 |
| TOTAL | 27340.59 | 44071.51 | 26133.82 | 17937.68 | 4439.57 | 13498.08 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 120.00 | 79.63 | 119.66 | 120.77 | 100.26 | 100.40 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 270.00 | 49.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 70.1148 | 152.2525 | 28.7639 | 93.7980 | 1.5875 | 50.1694 |
| Stream Condition | 0.34 | 0.64 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 68.48 | 49.74 | 75.04 | 37.44 | 43.59 | 35.42 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 8.04567 | 0.80144 | 39.55499 | 1.82845 | 35.09039 | 7.49449 |

TABLE XXIX (Continued)

| Stream Number | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| Nitrogen | 22.88 | 0.24 | 22.64 | 0.00 | 0.24 |
| Carbon Dioxide | 2036.94 | 140.31 | 1896.63 | 4.95 | 135.36 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 381.32 | 60.25 | 321.07 | 4.34 | 54.91 |
| Methane | 483.15 | 13.89 | 469.26 | 0.18 | 13.70 |
| Ethane | 1948.13 | 237.74 | 1710.39 | 15.00 | 222.73 |
| Propane | 6443.97 | 2065.38 | 4378.59 | 404.59 | 1660.79 |
| i-Butane | 1976.10 | 1056.98 | 919.11 | 406.53 | 650.45 |
| n-Butane | 4422.14 | 2686.98 | 1735.16 | 1238.47 | 1448.51 |
| i-Pentane | 1398.13 | 1100.97 | 297.16 | 752.12 | 348.85 |
| n-Pentane | 1801.55 | 1486.71 | 314.83 | 1093.86 | 392.85 |
| n-Hexane | 2083.54 | 1947.77 | 135.77 | 1753.75 | 194.01 |
| n-Heptane | 2772.76 | 2703.19 | 69.58 | 2602.78 | 100.40 |
| n-Octane | 1884.09 | 1867.32 | 16.76 | 1843.92 | 23.41 |
| n-Nonane | 1682.16 | 1676.47 | 5.69 | 1668.87 | 7.60 |
| n-Decane | 834.28 | 833.14 | 1.14 | 831.68 | 1.45 |
| n-Undecane | 1216.07 | 1215.36 | 0.71 | 1214.49 | 0.86 |
| TOTAL | 31387.18 | 19092.66 | 12294.51 | 13836.54 | 5256.11 |
| Temperature, Deg F | 45.53 | 95.84 | 96.45 | 84.89 | 85.16 |
| Pressure, PSIA | 13.00 | 49.00 | 49.00 | 13.00 | 13.00 |
| Enthalpy, MMBTU/HR | 70.4644 | 5.8484 | 80.5677 | -0.2366 | 41.7084 |
| Stream Condition | 0.51 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Molecular Weight | 71.86 | 88.42 | 46.13 | 100.75 | 55.99 |
| Density, LB/CUFT | 0.34403 | 40.98779 | 0.39576 | 42.49269 | 0.12689 |

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