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B.E. (ME) Part-IV 8th Semester Examination, 2006

Circulating Fluidized Bed Technology

(Elective-II) (ME-804/10)

Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

Use separate answerscript for each half.

The questions are of equal value.

FIRST HALF

(Answer either O.No.1 or O.No.2 and also answer O.No.3 and 4.)

1.
 - a) Define fast fluidized bed in the context of its use in a CFB boiler.
 - b) Describe, with a neat sketch, the up and down movement of solid agglomerates in a very dilute dispersion of solids in a fast fluidized bed.
 - c) Show schematically the transition from pneumatic transport to fast fluidization.
 - d) Show a schematic representation of a vertical column. What are choking and captive state?
2.
 - a) Show, with a diagram, that the fast fluidization is bounded by two velocities which depend on the circulation rate.
 - b) What is transport velocity? Consider the time of emptying a column and show the transport velocity with the help of a diagram.
 - c) Show with a neat diagram the transition from one regime to another depending on operating and design parameters.
3. Find the minimum velocity for fast fluidization for 300 μm sand particles at 27°C and 825°C for the following conditions. The desired solid circulation rate in the fast regime is 30 kg/m²s. The cross-section of the bed is 0.203 m x 0.203 m. The density of the particles is 2500 kg/m³.

	Set I	Set II
Temperature	825°C	27°C
Gas density	0.316 kg/m ³	1.16 kg/m ³
Gas viscosity	4.49 x 10 ⁻⁵ N-s/m ²	1.84 x 10 ⁻⁵ N-s/m ²

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4. Estimate the bed inventory in a CFB furnace operating at 825°C and the bed voidage at 4 m above a fast bed that is 20 m tall. Also find the voidage at the wall at this height using the empirical equation :

$$e(r) = e_{av} [3 - 62 \text{TM}^{6i47} + 0_{-191}], \quad 1 > r/R > 0.75 \text{ Given that}$$

$$P_p = 2500 \text{ kg/m}^3, U = 8 \text{ m/s}, d_p = 300 \text{ urn.}$$

The secondary air is injected at the level of 3 m. The bed cross-section is 2.5 m x 10m below and 5 m x 10m above this level.

Assume $e_a = 0.85 = \text{asymptotic voidage}$, $a = \text{decay constant} = 1.0 \text{ m}^{-1}$.

SECOND HALF

(Answer Q.No.5 and 6 and any ONE from Q.No. 7 and 8.)

5. Find the convective heat flux on a plane wall of a CFB furnace operating at 6 m/s and 860°C with 200 um sand. The wall temperature is 360°C. Use the cluster renewal model. Given :

k_g	$74 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kW/m.K}$	$P_b = 18 \text{ kg/m}^3$	$e_s = 0.88$
k_p	$1.81 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kW/m.K}$	$P_p = 2500 \text{ kg/m}^3$	$e_g = 0.112$
\bar{k}_{gf}	$= 64 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kW/m.K}$	$P_g = 0.321 \text{ kg/m}^3$	$e_n = 0.86$
\bar{c}_p	$= 1.24 \text{ kJ/kg.K}$	$A = 4 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m}$	$P = 0.62$
C_p	$= 0.85 \text{ kJ/kg.K}$	$T_b = 860^\circ\text{C}$	$= 0.9946$
u_g	$= 48 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N.s/m}^2$	$T_s = 360^\circ\text{C}$	$P_r = 0.731$
u_f	$= 1.648 \text{ m/s}$		$L = 10 \text{ m}$

6. Refer to the question No.5 and using the same data, calculate the radiative heat flux and overall heat flux on the wall.
7. a) Explain with a diagram the sequence of events during combustion of a coal particle.
 b) Show diagrammatically the sequence of volatile release during different stages of devolatilization.
8. a) Discuss the communication phenomenon during coal combustion.
 b) Give a global view of the combustion process in the different zones of a CFB boiler furnace.