

No. of trays	= 25	Relative volatility	= 2
Feed tray	= 12	Distillate flow	= 0.5
Feed composition	= 0.5	Bottoms flow	= 0.5
Top composition	= 0.995	Tray holdup	= 0.5
Bottom composition	= 0.005	Condenser and	
Reflux	= 1.477	Bottoms holdups	= 0.5
Boilup	= 1.977		

The assumptions made in deriving the dynamic model are:

- Constant relative volatility
- 100% stage efficiency
- Immediate vapor and liquid response
- Perfect level control on reflux drum and column base.

With those assumptions, the dynamic model is described by the following equations:

*Bottom and Reboiler*

$$M_b \frac{dx_b}{dt} = L_1 x_1 - B x_b - V y_b$$

*Condenser and Accumulator*

$$M_d \frac{dx_d}{dt} = V y_{nt} - R x_d - D x_d$$

*Feed Tray*

$$M_{nf} \frac{dx_{nf}}{dt} = V(y_{nf-1} - y_{nf}) + L_{nf+1} x_{nf+1} - L_{nf} x_{nf} + F z_f$$

*Top Tray*

$$M_{nt} \frac{dx_{nt}}{dt} = V(y_{nt-1} - y_{nt}) + R x_d - L_{nt} x_{nt}$$

*Other Trays*

$$M_i \frac{dx_i}{dt} = V(y_{i-1} - y_i) + L_{i+1} x_{i+1} - L_i x_i$$

where

$$L_i = \begin{cases} R & i > nf \\ R + F & i \leq nf \end{cases}$$

$$y_i = \frac{\alpha x_i}{1 + (\alpha - 1)x_i}$$

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## Corrections

In the article titled "Two-Phase Concurrent Flow in Packed Beds" (1961, Vol. 7, p. 231) by Larkin et al., Eq. 23 on p. 237 contains a typographical error. Instead of  $-0.774$ , the first term should be  $-0.744$  as correctly given with the upper curve in Figure 7. (Proof: At  $\chi = 10$  and  $12.33$ , the correct equation using  $-0.744$  as its first term gives  $R_t = 0.4699$  and  $0.5001$  which agrees with the values read from the solid curve in the upper half of Figure 7. If  $-0.774$  were used as the first term in Eq. 23, the calculated values will be  $R_t = 0.4385$  and  $0.4669$  which fall below the solid curve.)

This article is a significant contribution and is very useful for packed-bed reactor designs in refineries.