

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
BE - SEMESTER-VII • EXAMINATION – WINTER 2013

Subject Code: 170404**Date: 28-11-2013****Subject Name: Bioprocess Engineering - I****Time: 10:30 TO 01:00****Total Marks: 70****Instructions:**

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

- Q.1** (a) Explain the control of hydronium ion in a bioreactor. **07**
(b) Define: growth rate limiting, stoichiometrically limiting, yield factor, Respiratory coefficient, metabolic energy stoichiometry. **07**

- Q.2** (a) Enlist basic functions of a fermentor. **07**
(b) Calculate : **07**
(a) the cell formula for the growth of yeast on sugar when it is observed to give the following balance (assume 1 mole of cell produced):
 $(100\text{g}) \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + (5.1 \text{ g}) \text{NH}_3 + (46.63 \text{ g}) \text{O}_2 \rightarrow (43.23 \text{ g}) \text{cell mass} + (41.08\text{g}) \text{H}_2\text{O} + (67.42\text{g}) \text{CO}_2$
(b) If the above reaction produces 0.30017 mole of cell, what cell formula results?

OR

- (b) Give the merits and demerits of membrane Bio-reactor. **07**

- Q.3** (a) Discuss the classification of various pumps for biotech industries. **07**
(b) Compare and Contrast: Bubble column reactor and air lift reactor. **07**

OR

- Q.3** (a) Explain the importance of bioreactor scale up and explain in detail. **07**
(b) Compare various methods for determining $k_L a$. **07**

- Q.4** (a) Narrate the major mass transfer resistances for gas bubble in a nutrient medium for fermentation. **07**
(b) Give the functions of Impeller, Baffles, Stirrer shaft and its contribution in aeration or agitation. **07**

OR

- Q.4** (a) How artificial intelligence and genetic algorithm help in controlling fermentor operations? **07**

- Q.4** (b) Briefly explain Interaction between cells and turbulent eddies and Discuss on damage caused by shear. **07**

- Q.5** (a) Explain characteristics of population models and segregated models. **07**
(b) What ways can aseptic conditions be achieved in a fermentor? **07**

OR

- Q.5** (a) How does mixing occur in a reactor? What precautions or care is to be taken for animal cells? **07**

- (b) Write the functions of following parts: Gate valve, Globe valve, Butterfly valves, Diaphragm valves, Check valves, Pressure control valves, Safety valves. **07**
