

HEAT BALANCE

Estimated heat capacities at different temperature:

In the reactor the inlet feed temp is 660⁰C where the outlet temp is 600⁰C. Hence for the energy balance about the reactor it is assumed that the physical properties are constant, ie values at average temp (600+660)/2 or 630⁰C.

C_p of steam at 630⁰C= 2.223 kJ/kg k

C_p of EB at 630⁰C = 2.827 kJ/kg k

C_p of styrene at 630⁰C = 2.610 kJ/kg k

Heat of formation (H_R)= $\Delta H_R|_{25} + \sum(\gamma_i * C_{Pi})|_{PRODUCT} - \sum(\gamma_i * C_{Pi})|_{REACTANT}$
of styrene at 630⁰ = 86.99 kJ/mol

- STEAM REQUIREMENT:

Let m is the mass of steam added to the feed per hour, in order to supply the heat of reaction in the reactor.

The steam and the reactant feed entered the reactor at a temperature 660⁰C and leave at 600⁰C temperature. Hence, it can be assumed that the temperature drop solely due to the reaction the approx. energy balance is made;

$$m * C_{Pw} * \Delta T + m_{ST} * C_{PST} * \Delta T + m_{EB} * C_{PEB} * \Delta T + Q_R = 0$$

From the above balance the steam flow rate been calculated as;

$$m = 42930.83 \text{ kg/ hr}$$

Henceforth the mol ratio of steam to hydrocarbon feed is approximately calculated = 11:1 (which is a close match to values obtained from literature¹)

- TEMPERATURE OF THE PREHEATED STREAM:

Let T be the temp of the preheated coming out of the preheater. Assume the mixing of the steam to hydrocarbon stream is adiabatic.

It is known that the temperature of the preheated steam is 800⁰C and after mixing with the hydrocarbon stream, the temperature is dropped to 660⁰C. Therefore, the heat balance can be given as:

$$42930.83 * 2.293 * (800 - 660) = (5687.5 * 2.133 + 18187.5 * 2.267) * (660 - T)$$

i.e., $T = 401.73^0 \text{ C}$

- TEMPERATURE DETERMINATION OF THE REACTION PRODUCT LEAVING THE PREHEATER:

Again, from mass balance about the reactor the wt fraction or composition of the stream leaving the reactor can be given as:

Steam = 47.64%

EB = 13.95%

Styrene = 36.63%

Toluene = 0.67%

Benzene = 0.38%

Hydrogen = 0.73%

Therefore the average C_p value been determined = 2.322 kJ/kg k

And the C_p value for the feed stream to the reactor = 2.235 kJ/kg k

The boiling point temp of the feed mixture at atmospheric pressure is calculated by using Rault's law is = 138⁰C

And the latent heat of vaporization of the mixture = 341.03 kJ/kg

The C_p value for the liquid mixture = 1.939 kJ/kg k

Let the outlet temp of the product stream from the preheater = t

Therefore, the approx energy balance can be given as:

$$66805.83 \times 2.322 \times (630 - t) = 23875 \times (1.939 \times (138 - 30) + 341.03 + 2.235 \times (401 - 38))$$

i.e., $t = 454^{\circ}\text{C}$

- WASTE HEAT RECOVERY

The excess of superheat from the stream leaving the reactor and through steam preheater, is been utilized in generating steam in boiler, which further fed back to the reactor system.

The temp of the product stream leaving the preheater = 454°C

& C_p value of the stream is = 2.322 kJ/kg k

Let the boiler operated at a temp of 100°C

The water feed to the condenser is at temp = 40°C

The latent heat of vaporization of water at 100°C is = 2260 kJ/kg

Therefore the amt. of steam generated is:

$$66805.83 \times 2.322 \times (454 - 110) = M \times (4.184 \times (100 - 40) + 2260)$$

ie, $M = 21251 \text{ kg/hr}$

hence the amount of steam been generated = 21251 kg/hr

- ENERGY REQUIRED FOR SUPER HEATING OF STEAM:

The steam is been heated to a temperature of 800°C in the super heater.

The specific heat of steam at $400^{\circ}\text{C} = 2.065 \text{ kJ/kg k}$

Therefore the heat requirement in the super heater =

$$Q = (42930.83 / 3600) \times 2.065 \times (100 - 60)$$

$$= 17,238 \text{ KW}$$

- ENERGY BALANCE FOR BENZENE-TOLUENE TOWER:

The top condenser operator at the saturator temperature corresponding to 160 mm Hg pressure

The condenser is operated at 58°C.

**% COMPOSITION
WT. BASIS**

	BENZENE	TOLUENE	ETHYL BENZENE	STYRENE	TEMP.(°C) (APPROX)	MASS FLOW RATE KG/HR)
FEED	0.75	1.30	26.94	71.01	90	26545
DISTILLATE	50.0	40.0	10.0	0	58	313.17
RESIDUE	0.2	0.8	27.1	71.9	96	26231.5

And the average latent heat of vaporization = 401 kJ/kg

The distillate from the top of the tower = 313.17 kg

Let, assume the reflux ratio to the tower maintained at = 2.7(R)

Therefore the actual mass flow into the condenser = $313.17(1+2.7)$ kg = 1158.73 kg/hr

Let the inlet and outlet temperatures of water are 25°C and 35°C respectively.

Therefore, the water flow into the reactor can be calculated as:

$$M_w = 1158.73 * 401 / (3600 * 4.184 * (35 - 25))$$

$$= 3.085 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$\therefore, Q_c = 129 \text{ kW}$$

let, T_R (reference temperature) = 273 k

avg. C_p measured at 40°C:

$$C_{p, \text{benzene}} = 1790 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$C_{p, \text{toluene}} = 1742 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$C_{p, \text{EB}} = 1751 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$C_{p, \text{styrene}} = 1790 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$\therefore, C_{p_{\text{avg, feed}}} = \sum(x_i C_{p_i}) = 1779 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$C_{p_{\text{avg, distillate}}} = 1767 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$C_{p_{\text{avg, residue}}} = 1779 \text{ J/kg K}$$

$$Fh_f = F \cdot (C_{p_{\text{avg, feed}}} \cdot (T_f - T_R)) = 1180.5 \text{ kW}$$

$$Wh_w = W \cdot (C_{p_{\text{avg, residue}}} \cdot (T_w - T_R)) = 1244.423 \text{ kW}$$

$$Dh_D = D \cdot (C_{p_{\text{avg, distillate}}} \cdot (T_D - T_R)) = 8.915 \text{ kW}$$

Again assuming no heat loss in the distillation column:

$$Q_B + Fh_f = Q_c + Wh_w + Dh_D$$

$$\therefore, Q_B = 201.12 \text{ kW}$$

therefore load on the toluene benzene tower reboiler = 201.12 kW

- ETHYL BENZENE RECYCLE COLUMN:

Assumption made: the amount of toluene benzene & heavy ends are negligible compare to ethyl benzene and styrene.

% COMPOSITION

WT. BASIS

	Ethyl benzene	styrene	Temperature (°C)	Mass Flow

				rate (kg/hr)
Distillate	50	50	61.3	12880
Feed	27.1	72.9	96	26231.59
Residue	5.0	95	65	13348.98

$$\therefore, C_{p_{avg,feed}} = \sum(x_i C_{p_i}) = 1779 \text{ J/kg k}$$

$$C_{p_{avg,distillate}} = 1770 \text{ J/kg k}$$

$$C_{p_{avg,residue}} = 1788 \text{ J/kg k}$$

Where, $R = 3.99$

$$\lambda_{avg,top} = 392.5 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$\therefore, Q_c = 6923 \text{ kW}$$

Again,

$$Fh_f = F * (C_{p_{avg,feed}} * (T_f - T_R)) = 1244 \text{ kW}$$

$$Wh_w = W * (C_{p_{avg,residue}} * (T_w - T_R)) = 430 \text{ kW}$$

$$Dh_D = D * (C_{p_{avg,distillate}} * (T_D - T_R)) = 388 \text{ kW}$$

$$\therefore, Q_B = Q_c + Wh_w + Dh_D - Fh_f = 6497 \text{ kW}$$

- FINAL PURIFIER TOWER:

% COMPOSITION

WT. BASIS

	STYRENE	HEAVY ENDS	TEMPERATURE (°C)	MASS FLOW RATE (kg/HR)
FEED	95	5.0	65	13348.93
DISTILLATE	99.0	1.0	61	12500
RESIDUE	2.3	97.0	80	848.93

$$\lambda_{\text{AVG}} = 406 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$\text{Let, } R = 1.2$$

$$Q_c = 2678 \text{ kW}$$

$$\therefore, Q_B = Q_c + W_{h_w} + Dh_D - Fh_f = 2676.5 \text{ kW}$$