

P 16-11 \Rightarrow See accompanying Excel file

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a) Plot $C(t)$ vs t

Obtain $E(t)$ by \Rightarrow

$$E(t) = \frac{C(t)}{\int_0^{\infty} C(t) dt} \quad \dots \quad \text{From graph } \int_0^{\infty} C(t) dt = 0.1$$

$$E(t) = \frac{C(t)}{0.1}$$

b) Obtain $F(t)$ as

$$F(t) = \int_0^t E(t) dt.$$

\rightarrow divide $E(t)$ curve in 3 parts.

\rightarrow Fit polynomial

\rightarrow Integrate polynomial to obtain value.

(I used wolfram Alpha to get integral values)

c) Mean residence time

$$t_m = \int_0^{\infty} t E(t) dt.$$

\rightarrow plot $t E(t)$

\rightarrow calculate area under curve

$$t_m = 9.88 \text{ min} \cong 10 \text{ min}$$

Variance

$$\sigma^2 = \int_0^{\infty} (t - t_m)^2 E(t) dt$$

\rightarrow plot $(t - t_m)^2 E(t)$

\rightarrow calculate area under curve

$$\sigma^2 = 73.81 \text{ min}^2 \cong 74 \text{ min}^2$$

d) Fraction of material that spends between 2 and 4 min

$$= \int_2^4 E(t) dt = 0.16$$

→ Use fitted polynomial / graph

e) Fraction of material that spends longer than 6 min

$$= \int_6^{\infty} E(t) dt = 0.581$$

f) Fraction of material that spends less than 3 min

$$= \int_0^3 E(t) dt = 0.192$$

g) Normalized distributions

Normalized RTD

$$\theta = \frac{t}{\tau}$$

$$E(\theta) = \tau E(t) \rightarrow \text{plot } \tau E(t)$$

Normalized cumulative RTD

$$F(\theta) = \int_0^{\theta} E(\theta) d\theta = \int_0^{\theta} E(t) dt$$

↳ same graph as $F(t)$ but x axis goes from 0 to θ

h) Reactor volume

$$F = 10 \text{ dm}^3/\text{min}$$

$$V = F \cdot \tau = 100 \text{ dm}^3$$

i) Internal age distribution

$$I(t) = \frac{1}{c} [1 - F(t)]$$

j) Mean internal age

$$\alpha_m = \int_0^{\infty} I(t) dt$$

From graph

$$\alpha_m = 1 \text{ min}$$