

correlation between catalytic activity and the chromium trioxide content is shown and possible reaction mechanism is described.

### Kinetics of Liquid Phase Dehydrogenation of Isopropyl Alcohol

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Experimental data are presented covering kinetics of liquid phase dehydrogenation of isopropyl alcohol over a skeletal nickel catalyst in presence of an outside diffusion-retarding agent. The results over the diffusion-limited catalyst are compared with the earlier-published data on the unretarded catalyst.

### Hydration of Tertiary Amylenes Over Cationite KY-2 and Nature of Concurrent Reactions

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The results of this investigation demonstrate that hydration, polymerization, and isomerization of tertiary amylenes do take place simultaneously in presence of the H-type cationite KY-2.

Polymerization of amylenes, a side-reaction over the hydrated cationite, is the primary reaction over the dehydrated resin.

Various sulfocationites selectively catalyze hydration of tertiary amylenes in multicomponent mixtures of  $C_7$  hydrocarbons, a fact advantageous in production of tertiary amyl alcohol. Prolonged use of KY-2 resin (288 hrs at  $75^\circ$ ) to catalyze this reaction results in insignificant irreversible decrease of its exchange capacity (2.5%) and reduction in particle size.

### Effect of Conditions of Preparation of Zinc Oxide Catalysts with and without Added Indium and Gallium Upon Catalytic Properties in Homomolecular Isotopic Oxygen Exchange Reaction

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The effect of conditions of preparation of zinc oxide-based catalysts upon catalytic activity were

determined in the reaction,  $^{16}O_2 + ^{18}O_2 = 2 ^{16}O^{18}O$ . The results show that increasing of ZnO calcination temperature increases its catalytic activity, apparently, as a result of increasing concentration of interstitial zinc.

Addition of indium in 0.25 and 0.5 atom per cent, followed by a 30-hour calcination at  $850^\circ$  decreases the homomolecular oxygen exchange rate. Addition of gallium in the like amounts has the same effect.

Raising the catalyst (ZnO + 0.5 at.% Ga) calcination temperature from  $850^\circ$  to  $1200^\circ$  decreases the apparent activation energy of the reaction from 40.1 to 24.5 kcal/mole.

### Vapor Phase Catalytic Conversion of Acetylene: Mechanism and Kinetics of Catalytic Vapor Phase Hydrochlorination of Acetylene Over Supported Chlorides of Hg(II), Cd, Zn, Bi

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Kinetics of vapor phase catalytic hydrochlorination of acetylene was studied in a recycle-continuous unit. The catalysts used in this study were  $MeCl_n$  salts [ $Me = Hg(II)$ , or Cd, or Zn, or Bi] supported on activated AP-3 carbon and, also, the activated carbon containing  $HCl$  adsorbed on its surface.

The results of this kinetic study and published thermodynamic data on the formation of  $MeCl_n - C_2H_2 - HCl$  complexes (1,2), provided a basis to formulate a mechanism for catalytic hydrochlorination of acetylene and to explain the deviations from the basic mechanism due to the differences in the catalytic activity of the added salts.

### Yield Curve Equation of Continuous Equilibrium Sorption of Adsorbates by Adsorbent Beds

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An equation was derived and critically checked to express processing yields as linear isotherms in an equilibrium sorptive-chromatographic process, employing the frontal analytical technique.

To derive the equation a variant of a layer-to-

layer method of calculation is proposed as the least laborious. The derivation involves use of a differential equation and of the S-function tables.

Solution of the yield curve equation indicates that the process of equilibrium sorption (chromatography) is characterized by "smearing out"

of the dynamic front of a sorbed stream. The results to evaluate accuracy of the layer-to-layer method of calculation are presented. A method of quantitative treatment of experimental yield curves is described, involving determination of the adsorption coefficient.