

WINTER-16 EXAMINATION <u>Model Answer</u>

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Important Instructions to examiners:

1) The answers should be examined by key words and not as word-to-word as given in the model answer scheme.

2) The model answer and the answer written by candidate may vary but the examiner may try to assess the understanding level of the candidate.

3) The language errors such as grammatical, spelling errors should not be given more

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4) While assessing figures, examiner may give credit for principal components indicated in the

figure. The figures drawn by candidate and model answer may vary. The examiner may give credit for any equivalent figure drawn.

5) Credits may be given step wise for numerical problems. In some cases, the assumed constant values may vary and there may be some difference in the candidate's answers and model answer.

6) In case of some questions credit may be given by judgement on part of examiner of relevant answer based on candidate's understanding.

7) For programming language papers, credit may be given to any other program based on equivalent concept.



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Q No.	Ans	swer	Marking
			scheme
1 a	Attempt any 3		12
1a-i	Fick's law is the basic law of diffusion		1
	Fick's law states that the flux of a diff	fusing component A in z direction in a	
	binary mixture of A and B is proportion	al to the molar concentration gradient.	
	$J_A = -D_{AB} dC_A / dZ$		
	D_{AB-} proportionality constant, dif	fusion coefficient or diffusivity	
	Diffusivity is defined as the ratio of the	flux to the corresponding concentration	1
	gradient. It is a measure of its diffusive	mobility.	-
	Diffusivity increases with decrease in	pressure pressure and increases with	2
	increase in temperature.		
1a-ii	Raoult'slaw: It states that at a given terr	perature, the equilibrium partial	2
	pressure of a component of a solution in	the vapour is equal to the product of	
	the mole fraction of the component in th	e liquid phase and the vapour pressure	
	of the pure component.		
	$P_A = P^0_A X_A$ where		2
	P _A - partial pressure of a component		
	$P^0_{\ A}$ - vapour pressure of the pure comp	oonent.	
	X_A - mole fraction of the component in	the liquid phase	
1a-iii	Differentiate between distillation and	extraction	1 mark
	Distillation	Extraction	each for
	Constituents of liquid mixture are	Constituents of liquid mixture are	any 4
	separated by using thermal energy	separated by using insoluble liquid	
		solvent	



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It utilizes the difference in vapour	It utilizes the difference in	
pressure of the components to effect	solubilities of the components to	
separation	effect separation	
Relative volatility is used as a	Selectivity is used as a measure of	
measure of degree of separation	degree of separation	
A new phase is created by addition of	A new insoluble liquid phase is	
heat	created by addition of solvent to feed	
Gives almost pure product	Doesn't give pure product	
Requires thermal energy	Requires mechanical energy for	
	mixing and separation	
Needs heating and cooling provisions	Doesn't need heating and cooling	
	provisions	
Primary choice for separation	secondary choice for separation	
a-iv Rate of drying curve :		1
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Rate of drying curve is plotted with rate	e of drying on y-axis and moist. Content	2
on x-axis.		3
Section AB of the curve represents th	e warning up period during which this	



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	temperature of the solid is becoming equal to the temperature of drying air. BC	
	is straight line that to x=axis in presenting constant rate of drying during which	
	the layers of water on the surface of solid is being evaporated. The section CE	
	of the curve represents the falling rate period composing of first falling rate	
	period CD and second falling rate period DE from point C onwards some dry	
	patches have started forming on the surface of the solid. The rate of drying	
	decreases for the unsaturated portion and hence rate for total surface portion	
	and hence rate for total surface decreases. The section CD of the curve	
	represents the period corresponding to the zone of unsaturated surface drying	
	the moisture content at which constant rate period ends is known as critical	
	moisture content. After point D, the surface of the solid is completely dry and	
	now internal movement of moistures starts coming to the surface and this is	
	continued up to the point E, where eqm. Is attained the rate of drying over	
	section DE is governed by the internal moisture movement.	
1b	Attempt any 1	6
1b-i	Equation for operating line for rectifying section of distillation:	







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	relationship is represented by the super solubility curve which is approximately	
	parallel tp the solubility curve. The curve AB is the solubility curve and curve	
	PQ is the super solubility curve. The curve AB represents maximium conc of	
	solution which can be achieved by bringing solid-solute into eqm with liquid	
	solvent. If a solution having the composition and temp indicated by point C is	
	cooled in the direction shown by the arrow it first crosses the solubility curve	
	AB and it is expected to start of crystallization. Actually if the process started	
	with initially unseeded solution crystal formation will not begin until the	
	solution is super cooled considerably passed the curve AB. According to Mier's	
	theory, crystallization will start in the neighbourhood of the point D and the	
	concentration of the solution then follows roughly along the curve DE.For an	
	initially unseeded solution, the curve PQ represents the limit at which	
	spontaneous nuclei formation begin and consequently, crystallization can start.	
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	FeSO4, Na2SO4 are discontinuous.	
	For some substance, their solubility decreases with increase in	
	temp(MnSO ₄ H ₂ O), for some solubility increases with temp(KClO ₃), for	
	some solubility remains same with temp(NaCl).	
	Curve 1 for KClO ₃ Curve 2 for NaCl Curve 3 for FeSO ₄ Curve 2 for MnSO ₄ ·H ₂ O (All in aqueous solution)	2
2-b	(i) Critical moisture: The moisture content of material at which constant rate	2
	period ends and falling rate period starts is called critical moisture content.	
	(ii) Equilibrium moisture content: It is the moisture content of the substance that is in thermodynamic equilibrium with its vapour in gas phase under specified humidity and temperature of gas. It represents the limiting moisture content to which a given material can be dried under constant drying conditions.	2
2-c	Triangular diagram:	
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2-d	Flash distillation is carried out in a continuous manner. In this method, a liquid	1
	mixture is partially vaporized the vapor and liquid are allowed to attained	
	equilibrium and finally withdrawn separately	
	Heat exchanger Feed I mole $x_{\rm F}$ Feed I mole $x_{\rm F}$ Feed I mole $x_{\rm F}$ Feed I mole	1
	Liquid	
	Consider one mole of liquid mixture having x_f mole fraction , f moles of feed	1
	that is vapourized and of composition y. Then (1-f) will be the moles of	1
	residual liquid obtained. Let x be the mole fraction of more volatile component	
	in liquid. Material balance for more volatile component is	
	$x_{\rm F} = fy + (1 - f)x$	1
	OR $y = -(1-f)x/f + (x_f/f)$	1
	The above equation is operating line for flash distillation with slope = $-(1-f)/f$	
	and y- intercept = x_F/f	
	The point of intersection of operating line and diagonal ($x=y$) is (x_F , x_F)	
2-е	Steam Distillation:	4
	Principle:	
	Steam distillation is adopted in cases where substance involved cannot withstand temp of distillation and decompose. Substance of this kind can be	



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	separated by reducing the partial pressure of the volatile component. This can	
	be done by making use of inert vapour that decreases the temperature of	
	distillation . The inert vapour used should be practically immiscible with	
	components to be distilled. Steam is used for this purpose.	
	In steam distillation, steam is directly admitted into the liquid in the still. The	
	mixed vapour containing desired component is taken as overhead, condensed	
	and desired component is separated from water phase by gravity while non	
	volatile material remains behind in the still.	
	Application:	
	1. For separating high boiling component from non volatile impurities.	
	2. For separating high boiling mixture into different fractions wherein the	
	decomposition of material might occur if direct distillation were employed	
	3. Where vaporization temperature cannot be reached by heat	
	Attempt any 2	16
-a	Solution : Hexane is a more volatile component.	
	α = relative volatility of hexane with respect to octane	
	$\alpha = \frac{\frac{p_{\text{Hexane}}}{p_{\text{Octane}}}}{\frac{p_{\text{A}}}{p_{\text{B}}}} = \frac{p_{\text{A}}}{p_{\text{B}}}$	
	At 341.7 K, $p_A^o = 101.3$ kPa and $p_B^o = 16.1$ kPa	
	$\therefore \qquad \alpha = \frac{101.3}{16.1} = 6.29$	1
	At 352.4 K, $p_A^o = 136.6 \text{ kPa}$ and $p_B^o = 23.1 \text{ kPa}$	
	\therefore $\alpha = 136.6/23.1 = 5.91$	







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3-b	Basis: 100 kmol feed	
	$D=60, W=40 x_F=0.4$	1
	Plot 1/(y-x) vs x	1
	Ln(F/W) = ln(100/40) = 0.916	1
	From the graph measure the area under curve from $x_F=0.4$ till area equals 0.916	
	and the corresponding value of x is noted as x_W .	2
	$\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{W}} = 0.07$	1
	$Fx_F = Dx_D = Wx_W$	
	$100*0.4 = 60*x_{\rm D} + 40*0.07$	
	Solving the equation $x_D = 0.62$	2
	Composition of distillate = 62%	
	Composition of residue = 7%	
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$\therefore V - V' = (1 - q) F(3)$	
Overall material balance in the upper section of coloumn :	1
V = L + D (4)	
Material balance of A in the upper section :	
$V_y = Lx + D x_D$ (5)	1
Overall material balance in the lower section :	
V' = L' - W(6)	1
Material balance of A in the lower section :	
$V'y = L'x - Wx_w$ (7)	1
Subtracting Equation (7) from Equation (5)	
$y(V - V') = x(L - L') + D x_D + W x_w$ (8)	
Overall material balance of A over the coloum as a whole :	
$x_{f} = D x_{D} + W x_{w}$ (9)	1
∴ Equation (8) becomes	
$y(V - V') = x(L - L') + x_F.F$ (10)	1
Substituting the values of V - V' and L' – L from Equation (3) and (1) into	
Equation (10) gives	
y (1 - q) $F = x(-qF) + x_F$. F	
$\therefore y = \frac{-q}{1-q} x + \frac{XF}{(1-q)} $ (11)	1
Equation (11) is known as the feed line or a-line equation	
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 Selectivity: The ratio of concentration ratio of solute to feed solvent in extract phase to that in raffinate phase is called selectivity factor. It is the measure of effectiveness of solvent for separating the constituents. Recoverability: As solvent should be recovered for reuse frequently by distillation, it should not form an azeotrope with extracted solute and for low cost recovery, relative volatility should be high. Distribution coefficient: Higher values are desirable as less solvent will then be required for given extraction duty. Density: The difference in densities of saturated liquid phases should be larger for physical separation. Insolubility of solvent: The solvent insoluble in original liquid solvent should be preferred and it should have high solubility for solute to be extracted, then small amounts of solvent are required. Chemical Stability: The solvent should be stable chemically and inert towards other components and should not be corrosive. Cost: The solvent should be cheap. The solvent should be non toxic, non flammable. Solvent should have low viscosity, freezing point, vapor pressure for ease in handling and storage. Interfacial tension: It should be high for coalescence of emulsions to occur more readily, as the same is of greater importance than dispersion. 	1 mark	Selection criteria for solvent selection in liquid-liquid extraction:
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1	$N_{\rm P} = J_{\rm A} + 2c_{\rm A} (N_{\rm P} + N_{\rm B})$ $= -D_{\rm AB} \frac{dC_{\rm A}}{dz} + \frac{c_{\rm A}}{c} (N_{\rm A} + N_{\rm B})$
1	For ideal gas $P_P = C_P RT$ $C_P = \frac{P_P}{RT}$
	$dc_{\mu} = \frac{dp_{\mu}}{RT}$ $c = \frac{p}{RT}$
	Puting values of Cp, dCp & C NA = - DAB dPB 1 + PAIRT (NB+ NB)
1	For equimolar counter dilbusian, $N_{\rm P} = -N_{\rm B}$ $N_{\rm P} = -D_{\rm PB} \frac{d_{\rm PB}}{d_{\rm Z}}$
	i) DAB is constant, this can be integrated P_{P2} $N_{P} \int dz = -\frac{D_{PB}}{RT} \int dP_{P}$ Z_{1} P_{P1}
	$N_{A}(z_{2}-2,) = -\frac{D_{AB}}{RT}(P_{A2}-P_{A1})$ $N_{A}z = +\frac{D_{AB}}{P_{A1}}(P_{A1}-P_{A2})$
1	NA - DAB (POL-POL)



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la-iii	Rayleigh equation:	
	Let F be moles of liquid mixture containing x_F mol fraction of A, D kmoles of	
	distillate and W kmoles of residual liquid in still which are obtained at the end	
	of operation. Let y_D and x_W be the mol fr of A in distillate and bottom residual	
	liquid.	1
	Let L be kmoles of liquid in the still at any time during the course of distillation	
	and let x be mol fr of A in liquid.Let very small amount dD kmol of distillate of	
	composition y in equilibrium with the liquid is vaporized. Then composition	
	and quantity of liquid decreases to (x-dx) and L to (L-dL) respectively.	
	Overall material balance is L=L-dL+dD	
	Or $dL = dD$	1
	Material balance for component A is Lx=(L-dL)(x-dx)+ydD	
	Lx = Lx - Ldx - xdL + dLdx + ydD	
	dLdx=0	
	0 = -Ldx - xdL + ydL	1
	But dD=dL	
	i.e. 0=-Ldx-xdL+ydL	
	Ldx=(y-x)dL	
	dL/L=dx/(y-x)	
	Integrating the equation between the limits L=F, $x=x_F$, L=W $x=x_W$	
	F xF	1
	$\Box dL/L = \Box dx/(y-x)$	
	W xW	
	X _F	
	$Ln(F/W) = \Box dx/(y-x)$	
	X_W	
		1



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	This equation is known as Rayleigh equation.	
4a-iv	Selection criteria for solvent in gas absorption :	1 mark
	While selecting a particular solvent for absorption operation, the following	each for
	properties of the solvent are considered.	any 4
	1) Gas solubility : the solubility of solute gas in a solvent should be high . the	
	solvent selected should have a high solubility for the solute to be absorbed	
	2) Volatility : As the gas leaving an absorption unit is generally saturated with	
	the solvent, there will be a loss of the solvent with the gas leaving the unit	
	operation, hence to minimize the solvent loss, the solvent should be less	
	volatile.	
	3) Corrosive nature : the solvent should not be corrosive towards common	
	materials of construction so that the construction material for an absorption	
	equipment will not be too expensive.	
	4) Viscosity : the solvent should have a low viscosity for rapid absorption	
	rates, low pumping cost and better heat transfer. The solvent should be non	
	viscous.	
	5) Cost and availability : the solvent should be cheap and readily available	
	6) Miscellaneous : the solvent should be non-toxic, non-flammable, non-	
	foaming, and chemically stable from a handling and storage point of view.	
4b	Attempt any 1	6
4-b i	Hydrodynamics / pressure drop characteristics in packed column:	
	In a packed column there are two flows flowing in counter current direction.	
	Liquid fed at the top of coloumn flows down the column through the void	1
	spaces in the packings, the same time gas mixture is forced up through the void	
	spaces by using a blower or a compressor. To maintain flow of gas ,pressure at	
	the top must be less than that at the bottom. In packed column as same channels	
	are available for liquid down flow & gas up flow, the gas pressure drop is a	







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С	conditions is called as flooding velocity.	
4.b ii 🛛 🛚	Working of fluidized bed dryer: A fluidized bed system in addition to a	3
f	fluidizing chamber also needs an air blower, a hot air generator, a feed	
с	conveyor, a cyclone separator and a product conveyor.	
Ι	in this drier, hot air is used to keep the wet feed in a fluidized state. In the drier	
t	he wet material is dried and cooled in the same bed. Wet feed material is	
a	admitted to the top of the bed through a hopper via a rotary valve and hot air is	
d	listributed at the bottom of the bed through a diffuser plate and dry product is	
t	aken out from the side or near the bottom. Heat and mass transfer coefficient	
a	are high because of the turbulence created in the bed. The material to be dried	
a	and hot air are in cross-flow with respect to the direction of flow of each other.	
Г	The residence time can be controlled from seconds to hour. The moist air from	
ť	he drier containing fines is admitted to a cyclone separator for the recovery of	
f	ines.	
	Typical velocities :	
	Particle size (μm) Velocity (m/s) 300 - 800 0.4 to 0.8	2
	800 - 2000 0.8 to 1.2	
	Wet feed Wet feed Wet feed Grading all Hot air in Cooling air Fluidised Bed Dryer A fluidised bed system in addition to a fluidising chamber also needs an air blower, a hot air generator, a feed conveyor, a cyclone separator and a product conveyor.	



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	Uses: It is used for drying very fine size free flowing material. It is well suited	1
	for heat sensitive material.	
5	Attempt any4	16
5-a	An azeotrope is a mixture of two or more liquids whose proportions cannot be	2
	altered by simple distillation. This happens because, when an azeotrope is	
	boiled, the vapor has the same proportions of constituents as the unboiled	
	mixture.	
	The methods of separation involve introducing an additional agent, called	
	an entrainer, that will affect the volatility of one of the azeotrope constituents	2
	more than another. When an entrainer is added to a binary azeotrope to form a	
	ternary azeotrope, and the resulting mixture distilled, the method is called	
	azeotropic distillation.	
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	gas flow Riser tray	
	Bubble cap.	
5-c	Comparison between packed column and plate column:	1 mark
	1.Plate column operate over a wide range of liquid flow rates without flooding.	each for



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	contact between fluid phases, whereas packed columns may lead to backmixing	
	or by passing.	
	3. Because of the difficulties arising in the dispersion of liquid in a packed	
	tower, a plate tower is more reliable and needs less safety factors at low liquid	
	to gas mass velocity ratios.	
	4. Side streams are very easily taken out from plate towers but not in packed	
	towers.	
	5. For plate towers, design information is generally more readily available	
	6. Whenever liquid mixtures containing dispersed solids are to be handled, plate	
	towers should be preferred.	
	7. Whenever inter stage cooling is required, plate towers are preferred.	
	8. For liquids having tendency to foam, packed towers are preferred	
	9. Pressure drop through packed tower is low.	
	10. The liquid hold up is low in packed tower.	
	11. For a given duty, total weight od dry plate tower is less than the weight of	
	packed tower.	
	As question is incomplete, comparison between plate column and packed	
	column is given	
5-d		
	Basis: 1kmol of feed.	
	XF = mole fraction of hexane in the feed = 60/100=0.60	
	Feed is 50 mole% vaporized	
	f = 50/100 = 0.5	1
	The operating line for flash distillation is	
	Y = -((1-f)/f)X + XF/f	1
	Slope= $-(1-f)/f = -(1-0.5)/0.5 = -1$	
	The point of intersection of the operating line with the diagonal ia $(0.6, 0.6)$.	1



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	Draw the equilibrium curve and draw the operating line with the slope to -1	
	passing through (0.6,0.6) on the diagonal. It intersects the equilibrium curve at	
	P which gives us the equilibrium liquid and vapour compositions as 0.41 and	1
	0.79 mole fraction hexane respectively.	
5-e	Rotating disk contactor:	
	Rotating disk contactor is a mechanically agitated counter current extractor	
	wherein agitation is brought with the help of rotating disk which usually runs at	
	much higher speed than turbine type impeller.	
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	Rotor	
	disk	
	Stator	
	ring	
	Light Shaft	
	in Bearing housing	
	Heavy	
	liquid out	2
	Rotating disc contactor for light phase dispersed	
	It consists of a cylindrical column that is divided into a number of	
	compartments formed by a series of stator rings. Each compartment contains	
	centrally located horizontal rotor disk that create high degree of turbulence	
	inside the column. The diameter of the rotor disk is less than the opening in the	
	stationery stator rings, usually the disk diameter is 33 to 66 % of the column	
	diameter. Recommended compartment height for column of diameter 2 m is	



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	200 to 300 mm. The tower is provided with inlet & outlet connections at top &	
	bottom from light and heavy phases. Fig. represents rotating-disk contactor for	
	light phase dispersed. In these units, disk disperse the liquids and impel them	
	outward towards tower wall, where stator rings create quiet zones where in the	
	two phases can separate.	
	It has reasonable capacity, low operating cost and high efficiency. While	
	dealing with corrosive liquids it is very difficult to maintain the internal moving	
	arts.	
6	Attempt any 2	16
6-a	Solubility of $Na_2S_2O_3$ is 70 parts per 100 parts water at 293 K(20 ^o C)	
	Basis: 100 kg of feed solution.	1
	It contains 48 kg $Na_2S_2O_3$ and 52 kg 0f water. Let 'C' be the yield of crystals.	
	$M1 = Molecular$ weight of $Na_2S_2O_3 = 158$	
	$M2 = Molecular$ weight of $Na_2S_2O_{3,} 5H_2O = 248$	1
	XF'=48/100=0.48	1
	Material balance of water :	
	Water in feed = Water of crystallization in crystals + Water in mother liquor.	
	52 = C.((M2-M1)/M2) + L'	1
	L'= 52 – C[248-158]/248	
	Material balance of solute:	1
	Solute in feed = Solute in crystals produced +Solute in mother liquor	
	$0.48 \times 100 = c(158/248) + [52 - ((248 - 158)/248)C]X'$	
	48= 0.637C+[52-0.363C]x(70/100)	1
	C= 30.3 kg .	
	Crystals in feed solution =48 x (248/158)= 73.34 kg	1
	% yield of hydrated crystals= $(30.3/73.34) = 41.31$	1



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6-b Initial moisture content $X_1 = 0.67/(1-0.67) = 2.0$)3	1
Final moisture content $X_2 = 0.25/(1-0.25) = 0.33$	33	1
Critical moisture content $X_c = 0.4/(1-0.4) = 0.67$	7	1
Equilibrium moisture content $X^* = 0.01/(1-0.01)$	0 = 0.0101	1
$R_C = 1.5 \text{ Kg/m}^2 \text{ hr}$		
$A/W^1 = 0.5$ or $W^1/A = 2.0$		1
$t = W^{1} / AR_{c} \{ (X_{1}-Xc) + (X_{C}-X^{*})ln[(X_{C}-X^{*}) / $	$(X_2-X^*)]\}$	1
$t = 2/1.5\{(2.03-0.67)+(0.67-0.0101)\ln[(0.67-0.0101)]$.0101) / (0.333-0.010)1)]}
= 2.44 hr		2
6-c Drum dryer		
Working :		4



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A slowly revolving internally steam heated drum continuously dips into a drum	
and picks up the feed which retains on the drum surface as a thin film. The	
thickness of this film of material is regulated by means of a spreader. During	4
the course of revolution of the drum the material is dried due to heat transfer	
from condensing steam through the metal wall of the drum and large surface	
area. As it reaches the other end the dried product of operation is scraped by	
knife. The moisture evaporated from the feed material is collected and removed	
through a vapour hood provided above the drum.	