ICE Topics: Process Control by Design Problem Set 8: alternative HX network RGA and DC

For this problem set, work with one or two names will be accepted.

In PSet 7, you designed 2 alternative HX networks:



For each of your network designs,

(1) compute the RGA and select the most promising pairing of CV and MV.

(2) compute the DC for all combinations of -, 0, + variations of the four disturbance variables. Identify the worst disturbance conditions. Verify that your manipulated variables are sized to overcome the disturbances.

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As before:

all heat capacities 2500 J kg<sup>-1</sup> K<sup>-1</sup>

all heat transfer coefficients 250 W m<sup>-2</sup> K<sup>-1</sup>

(inputs) W_{1r}: 8.2 kg s<sup>-1</sup> T<sub>1r</sub>:250°C

T_{2r}:136°C

T_{3r}:100°C

T_{10}: 180°C (we will presume that T<sub>10</sub> is not disturbed from this value)

(outputs) T_{6r}: 129.3°C

T_{8r}: 223.4°C

T_{9r}: 168.8°C
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It may happen that a design decision you made in PSet 7 will prove in PSet 8 to be unworkable. In this case, RGA and DC are telling you something useful, and you may change your design to improve matters.