# CHAPTER IV RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

# 4.1 Targeting

The properties of the light crude, intermediate crude, and heavy crude are shown in Tables 4.1-4.3. Table 4.4 shows the specifications of the products. The withdrawn product locations are determined according to Watskin design, and the results are shown in Table 4.5.

# Table 4.1 Feedstock used for the design

|                    | Density        | Throughput          |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Crude              | $(kg/m^3)$     | (m <sup>3</sup> /h) |
| Light Crude        | 845 (36.0 API) | 795                 |
| Intermediate Crude | 889 (27.7 API) | 795                 |
| Heavy Crude        | 934 (20.0 API) | 795                 |

| Table 4 | <b>4.2</b> T | BP o | data |
|---------|--------------|------|------|
|---------|--------------|------|------|

|       | Temperature (°C) |                    |             |
|-------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Vol % | Light Crude      | Intermediate Crude | Heavy Crude |
| 5     | 45               | 94                 | 133         |
| 10    | 82               | 131                | 237         |
| 30    | 186              | 265                | 344         |
| 50    | 281              | 380                | 482         |
| 70    | 382              | 506                | 640         |
| 90    | 552              | 670                | N/A         |

|                   | Vol %       |                    |             |  |  |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--|--|
| Compound          | Light Crude | Intermediate Crude | Heavy Crude |  |  |
| Ethane            | 0.13        | 0.1                | 0           |  |  |
| Propane           | 0.78        | 0.3                | 0.04        |  |  |
| Isobutane         | 0.49        | 0.2                | 0.04        |  |  |
| <i>n</i> -butane  | 1.36        | 0.7                | 0.11        |  |  |
| Isopentane        | 1.05        | 0                  | 0.14        |  |  |
| <i>n</i> -pentane | 1.30        | 0                  | 0.16        |  |  |
| Total             | 5.11        | 1.3                | 0.48        |  |  |

 Table 4.3
 Light-End composition of crude

 Table 4.4 Product specifications and withdrawal tray

| Product          | Specification                           | Withdrawal Tray |
|------------------|---|-----------------|
| Naphtha          | D86 (95% point) = 182 °C                | 1               |
| Kerosene         | D86 (95% point) = 271 °C                | 9               |
| Diesel           | D86 (95% point) = 327 °C                | 16              |
| AGO              | D86 (95% point) = 377-410 °C            | 25              |
| Overflash rate   | 0.03                                    |                 |
| Kerosene-Naphtha | (5-95) gap≥ 16.7 °C                     |                 |
| Diesel-Kerosene  | (5-95) gap ≥ 0 °C                       |                 |
| AGO-Diesel       | $(5-95)$ gap $\geq -5.6$ °C to $-11$ °C |                 |
| Feed Tray        |   | 29              |
| Total Trays      | -                                       | 34              |

| Table 4   | 5 | Trav | rea | wirements | to | W | atskin | des  | ion |
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| Separation                           | Number of Trays |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Light Naphtha to Heavy Naphtha       | 6-8             |
| Heavy Naphtha to Light Distillate    | 6-8             |
| Light Distillate to Heavy Distillate | 4-6             |
| Heavy Distillate to AGO              | 4-6             |
| Flash Zone to First Draw Tray        | 3-4             |
| Steam Stripping Sections             | 4               |

There are 34 trays in the main column and 4 trays in each stripper. The flow rates of stripping steam streams are estimated and adjusted to 10 lb per barrel of product, as suggested by Watskin. The total energy consumption (E) is evaluated by using the following expression:

$$E = U + 0.7 \sum H_i^s$$

where U is the minimum heating utility obtained by using straight pinch analysis and  $\sum H_i^s$  is the summation of energy flow of all steam streams. Because low-pressure steam is cheaper than fuel gas with the same amount of heat content, a weight factor of 0.7 is used for the steam. The total energy consumption is used as an objective function.

## 4.1.1 Light Crude

Simulation results for the initial scheme with no pump-around circuits are shown in Table 5.6. Note the product gaps are well above the specifications.

| Product                         | No Pump-Around           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 248.73 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 144.29 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 71.93 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 123.79 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 206.65 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.98                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 9.73                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.77                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.21                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 25.50 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 5.55 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | 2.06 °C                  |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 205.73 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 273.84 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 322.69 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 350.56 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 105 MW                   |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 155.25-43.3 °C           |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.70 °C                |
| Energy Consumption (E)          | 100.04 MW                |

 Table 4.6
 Results of No Pump-Around Circuit Scheme for Light Crude

The heat demand-supply diagram corresponding to solution in Table 5.6 is shown in Figure 4.1. There is a huge heat surplus in the condenser region, which results in a large cooling utility. Meanwhile, a large heat deficit exists above 155.25 °C. As the total heat supply is almost constant, the way toward energy savings is to change the heat supply profile. That is, instead of supplying all heat at a low temperature, some heat can be supplied at a higher temperature where the heat

demand is larger than the heat supply. In other words, transfer some heat from the condenser to a pump-around circuit.



**Figure 4.1** Heat demand-supply diagram for light crude distillation without pumparound circuits.

#### 4.1.1.1 One Pump-Around Circuit

The first pump-around has to be above the kerosene withdrawal tray because the heat that can be transferred from the condenser will be the maximum when a pump-around is above all of the side-withdrawal product lines. The pump-around stream is withdrawn from tray 4, cooled in the heat exchangers, and returned to tray 2. The return temperature is 104.4 °C.

The duty of the first pump-around (PA1) is increased steadily, and the product gaps are observed in each simulation. The kerosene-naphtha gap decreases when the PA1 duty increases but remains well above the specification, while the other gaps are almost unaffected. The heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on the top tray. Therefore, the limit of the heat shifting has been accomplished. The duty of 64 MW represents the total amount of heat one could obtain from all pump-around circuits. The following steps consist of distributing this amount of heat properly among several pump-around circuits. The main operation variables of the scheme with one pump-around are shown in Table 4.7.

| Product                         | One Pump-Around          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 246.82 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 146.45 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 71.62 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 124.28 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 206.28 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.83                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 9.77                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.73                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.23                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 23.39 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 5.71 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | 1.99 °C                  |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 204.45 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 274.00 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 322.90 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 350.66 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 41.2 MW                  |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 146.26-43.33 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 64 MW                    |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 179.54-104.44 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.73 °С                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 90.38 MW                 |

 Table 4.7 Results of one pump-around circuit scheme for light crude

From the results, the major conclusions are as follows: the total energy consumption (*E*) decreases by 9.66 MW compared to the no pumparound scheme. The kerosene-naphtha gap is reduced from 25.50 to 23.39 °C, remaining well above the specification of 16.7 °C and the yield of naphtha decreases but the yield of kerosene increases because some light components of the vapor are absorbed by the cold pump-around stream and carried to the kerosene withdrawal tray. Note that the total yield of the two products remains constant.

The resulting heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.2, the heat surplus in the condenser region is greatly reduced, but it is still larger than the demand. Nevertheless, it is impossible to shift more heat from the condenser to PA1. To reduce the heat surplus in the region of PA1, a second pumparound is installed at the position indicated in Figure 4.2.



**Figure 4.2** Heat demand-supply diagram for light crude distillation with a top pump-around.

### 4.1.1.2 Two Pump-Around Circuits

The second pump-around (PA2) is located between tray 10 and tray 12, just below the kerosene withdrawal tray. The return temperature is

chosen to be around equal to the withdrawal temperature of PA1 that is 171.11 °C. With the increase in the PA2 duty, the kerosene-naphtha gap decreases quickly.

| Product                         | Two Pump-Arounds         |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 242.96 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 146.93 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 75.74 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 123.58 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 206.28 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 15.93                    |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 9.45                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.79                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.23                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 16.70 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 1.62 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | 2.41 °C                  |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 184.44 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 271.95 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 323.02 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 350.66 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 44.6 MW                  |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 144.56-43.33 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 21.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 170.86-104.44 °C         |
| Pump-Around 2 Duty              | 43.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 2 Temperature Range | 259.14-171.11 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.73 °С                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 56.24 MW                 |

 Table 4.8 Results of two pump-around circuits scheme for light crude

When the duty of PA2 is larger than 36.10 MW, the kerosenenaphtha gap does not satisfy the specification. To recover this gap, one could increase the stripping steam flow rate or increase the number of trays in the naphthakerosene section. However, the number of trays keeps constant; therefore, the kerosene and diesel stripping steam flow rates are adjusted with a controller in which the gap specifications are defined. Heat shifting continues until the liquid reflux at the kerosene withdrawal tray is small and/or the kerosene-naphtha gap can not be recovered even by increased amounts of stripping steam. The main operation variables of the scheme with one pump-around are shown in Table 4.8 and should be compared with the Table 4.7.

From the results, the main changes from one pump-around to two pump-around circuits are: the net energy consumption decreases by 34.14 MW. The flow rate of the kerosene stripping steam is nearly doubled. The large amount of extra steam is used to strip a significant amount of light components in the kerosene withdrawal stream. The top section of the column becomes less hot because of the increased stripping steam. The kerosene withdrawal temperature drops by 20.01 °C. And the yield of diesel increases while the yield of naphtha decreases.

The heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.3, the pinch temperature increases to the value of the PA2 withdrawal temperature. The heat surplus in the region of PA1 is still high, but further shifting would cost too much steam to be beneficial. Consequently, this remaining heat surplus is useless.

At this time, the only heat surplus transferable is located in the PA2 circuit, to make use of heat surplus, the adding a third pump-around circuit is necessary.



**Figure 4.3** Heat demand-supply diagram for light crude distillation with two pumparound circuits.

## 4.1.1.3 Three Pump-Around Circuits

The third pump-around (PA3) is located between tray 17 and tray 19. The return temperature is 232 °C. Heat is shifted gradually from PA2 to PA3, with the gap maintained above the specification. The effect of the duty of PA3 on energy consumption is shown in Table 4.9. A summary of all of the variables is shown in Table 4.10.

**Table 4.9** Effect of the duty of PA3 on energy consumption for light crude

| PA3 duty (MW) | Energy consumption (MW) |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| 4.00          | 55.79                   |
| 5.00          | 55.77                   |
| 6.00          | 55.91                   |
| 7.00          | 55.99                   |
| 8.00          | 56.01                   |
| 9.00          | 56.16                   |
| 8.00 9.00     | 56.01<br>56.16          |

| Product                         | Three Pump-Arounds       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 242.99 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 146.08 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 75.84 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 124.29 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 206.28 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 16.01                    |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 9.23                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.74                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.23                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 16.70 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 0.00 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | 1.67 °C                  |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 184.34 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 270.10 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 322.76°C                 |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 350.66 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 44.60 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 144.62-43.33 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 21.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 170.93-104.44 °C         |
| Pump-Around 2 Duty              | 38 MW                    |
| Pump-Around 2 Temperature Range | 257.70-171.11 °C         |
| Pump-Around 3 Duty              | 5.00 MW                  |
| Pump-Around 3 Temperature Range | 314.05-232.22 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.73 °C                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 55.77 MW                 |

 Table 4.10 Results of three pump-around circuits scheme for light crude

At the beginning, the energy consumption decreases by the increase in the duty of PA3. However, when the PA3 duty exceeds 5 MW, the energy consumption stays constant in a rather wide range (Table 4.9). This is because little heat surplus exists in the region of PA2. Thus, more heat shifting makes no difference. Beyond this stable range, increase heat shifting to PA3 results in an increase in energy consumption because of the additional steam consumption outweighs the gain in energy recovery for maintaining the gap. Clearly, 5 MW is the right point at which stop. This effect can not be arrested with other design procedures.

Figure 4.4 is the heat demand-supply diagram. The heat surplus in the region of PA2 has been moved to the PA3, which accounts for the decrease in energy consumption.





At this point, the best scheme for the light crude has been reached. Next, the same analysis is performed for intermediate and heavy crude.

# 4.1.2 Intermediate Crude

Simulation results for the initial scheme with no pump-around circuits are shown in Table 4.11. Note the product gaps are well above the specifications.

 Table 4.11
 Results of no pump-around circuit scheme for intermediate crude

| Product                         | No Pump-Around           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 155.08 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 96.26 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 73.76 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 61.27 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 409.00 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.86                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 8.23                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.57                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam         | 10.43                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 23.76 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | <b>4.89</b> °С           |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -8.26 °C                 |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 204.51 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 275.79 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 314.45 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 351.26 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 76.50 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 158.81-43.33 °C          |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.27 °C                |
| Energy Consumption (E)          | 88.61 MW                 |

The heat demand-supply diagram corresponding to the solution in Table 4.11 is shown in Figure 4.5. There is a huge heat surplus in the condenser

region, which results in a large cooling utility. Meanwhile, a large deficit exists above 158.81 °C. As the total heat supply is almost constant, the way toward energy savings is to change the heat supply profile. That is, in place of supplying all heat at a low temperature, some heat can be supplied at a higher temperature where the heat demand is larger than the heat supply. In the other word, transfer some heat from the condenser to a pump-around circuit.





#### 4.1.2.1 One Pump-Around Circuit

The pump-around stream is withdrawn from tray 4, cooled in the heat exchangers, and returned to tray 2. The return temperature is 104.4 °C.

The duty of the first pump-around (PA1) is increased steadily, and the product gaps are observed in each simulation. The kerosene-naphtha gap decreases when the PA1 duty increases but remains well above the specification, while the other gaps are almost unchanged. The heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until heat shift would result in liquid drying up on the top tray. Therefore, the limit of the heat shifting has been reached. The duty of 40 MW represents the total amount of heat one could obtain from all pump-around circuits. The following steps consist of distributing this amount of heat properly among several pump-around circuits. The main operation variables of the scheme with one pump-around are shown in Table 4.12.

| Product                         | One Pump-Around          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 153.62 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 97.97 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 73.47 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 61.32 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 409.00 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.69                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 8.26                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.56                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.43                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 21.33 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 5.05 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -8.29 °C                 |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 203.00 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 275.82 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 314.45 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 351.26 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 36.50 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 147.61-43.33 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 40 MW                    |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 179.40-104.44 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.27 °С                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 79.76 MW                 |

 Table 4.12
 Results of one pump-around circuit scheme for intermediate crude

From the results, the total energy consumption (*E*) decreases by 8.85 MW compared to the no pump-around scheme. The kerosene-naphtha gap is reduced from 23.76 to 21.33°C, remaining well above the specification of 16.7 °C and the yield of naphtha decreases but the yield of kerosene increases because some light components of the vapor are absorbed by the cold pump-around stream and carried to the kerosene withdrawal tray. Note that the total yield of the two products remains constant.

The resulting heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.6, the heat surplus in the condenser region is greatly reduced, but it is still larger than the demand. However, to reduce the heat surplus in the region of PA1, a second pump-around is added.



**Figure 4.6** Heat demand-supply diagram for intermediate crude distillation with a top pump-around.

### 4.1.2.2 Two Pump-Around Circuits

The second pump-around (PA2) is located between tray 10 and tray 12, just below the kerosene withdrawal tray. The return temperature is 171.11 °C. With the increase in the PA2 duty, the kerosene-naphtha gap decreases

quickly. Table 4.13 shows the variable of the scheme with two pump-arounds. Heat shifting continues until the liquid reflux at the kerosene withdrawal tray is small.

| Product                         | Two Pump-Arounds         |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 152.50 m <sup>3</sup> /h |  |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 96.53 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 76.55 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 61.07 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 408.78 m <sup>3</sup> /h |  |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.83                     |  |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 7.93                     |  |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.60                     |  |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.44                    |  |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 18.22 °C                 |  |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 2.17 °C                  |  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -8.00 °C                 |  |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 198.30 °C                |  |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 274.83 °C                |  |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 314.72 °C                |  |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 351.36 °C                |  |
| Condenser Duty                  | 36.80 MW                 |  |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 147.32-43.33 °C          |  |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 25.00 MW                 |  |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 176.31-104.44 °C         |  |
| Pump-Around 2 Duty              | 15.00 MW                 |  |
| Pump-Around 2 Temperature Range | 265.44-171.11 °C         |  |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.31 °C                |  |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 68.74 MW                 |  |

 Table 4.13 Results of two pump-around circuits scheme for intermediate crude

From the results, the net energy consumption decreases by 11.02 MW and the yield of diesel increases while the yield of naphtha decreases.

The heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.7, the heat surplus in the region of PA1 is still high, but further shifting would cost too much steam to be beneficial. Therefore, this remaining heat surplus is useless.



**Figure 4.7** Heat demand-supply diagram for intermediate crude distillation with two pump-around circuits.

Now, the only heat surplus transferable is located in the PA2 circuit, to make use of heat surplus by adding a third pump-around circuit.

4.1.2.3 Three Pump-Around Circuits

The third pump-around (PA3) is located between tray 17 and tray 19. The return temperature is 232 °C. Heat is shifted gradually from PA2 to PA3. The effect of the duty of PA3 on energy consumption is shown in Table 4.14. A summary of all of the variables is shown in Table 4.15.

| PA3 duty (MW) | Energy consumption (MW) |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| 1             | 68.73                   |
| 2             | 68.70                   |
| 3             | 68.77                   |
| 4             | 68.78                   |
| 5             | 68.79                   |
| 6             | 68.88                   |
| 7             | 68.98                   |
| 8             | 69.11                   |
| 9             | 69.27                   |

 Table 4.14 Effect of the duty of PA3 on energy consumption for intermediate crude

| Product                         | Three Pump-Arounds       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 152.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 96.29 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 76.38 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 61.48 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 408.78 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.85                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 7.94                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 9.54                     |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 10.44                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 18.24 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 1.50 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -8.44 °C                 |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 198.26 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 273.59 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 314.58 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 351.36 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 36.90 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 147.35-43.33 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 25.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 176.35-104.44 °C         |
| Pump-Around 2 Duty              | 13.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 2 Temperature Range | 264.83 -171.11°C         |
| Pump-Around 3 Duty              | 2.00 MW                  |
| Pump-Around 3 Temperature Range | 312.96-232.22 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 359.31 °C                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 68.70 MW                 |

 Table 4.15
 Results of three pump-around circuits scheme for intermediate crude

At the beginning, the energy consumption decreases by the increase in the duty of PA3. However, when the PA3 duty exceeds 2 MW, the energy consumption stays constant in a rather wide range (Table 4.14). This is because little heat surplus exists in the region of PA2. Thus, more heat shifting makes no difference. Beyond this stable range, increase heat shifting to PA3 results in an increase in energy consumption. Clearly, 2 MW is the right point at which stop. This effect can not be arrested with other design procedures.

Figure 4.8 is the heat demand-supply diagram. The heat surplus in the region of PA2 has been moved to the PA3, which accounts for the decrease in energy consumption.



**Figure 4.8** Heat demand-supply diagram for intermediate crude distillation with three pump-around circuits.

#### 4.1.3 Heavy Crude

The total energy consumption and the operation variables for a scheme with three pump-around circuits are shown in Table 4.16. The heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.9.

| Product                         | No Pump-Around           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 56.47 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 51.47 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 92.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 62.45 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 532.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.48                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 6.46                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 13.32                    |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 11.38                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 34.23 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 8.55 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -11.00 °C                |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 212.92 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 284.27 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 306.57 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 348.80 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 54.40 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 135.35-21.11 °C          |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 358.58 °C                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 90.44 MW                 |

 Table 4.16 Results of no pump-around circuits scheme for heavy crude

The heat demand-supply diagram corresponding to the solution in Table 4.16 is shown in Figure 4.9. There is a huge heat surplus in the condenser region, which results in a large cooling utility. Meanwhile, a deficit exists above 135.35 °C. As the total heat supply is almost constant, the way toward energy savings is to change the heat supply profile. That is, in place of supplying all heat at a low temperature, some heat can be supplied at a higher temperature where the heat

demand is larger than the heat supply. In the other word, transfer some heat from the condenser to a pump-around circuit.



**Figure 4.9** Heat demand-supply diagram for heavy crude distillation without pumparound circuits.

#### 4.1.3.1 One Pump-Around Circuit

The pump-around stream is withdrawn from tray 4, cooled in the heat exchangers, and returned to tray 2. The return temperature is 104.4 °C.

The duty of the first pump-around (PA1) is increased steadily, and the product gaps are observed in each simulation. The kerosene-naphtha gap decreases when the PA1 duty increases but remains well above the specification, while the other gaps are almost unchanged. The heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until heat shift would result in liquid drying up on the top tray. Therefore, the limit of the heat shifting has been reached. The duty of 28 MW represents the total amount of heat one could obtain from all pump-around circuits. The following steps consist of distributing this amount of heat properly among several pump-around circuits. The main operation variables of the scheme with one pump-around are shown in Table 4.17.

| Product                         | One Pump-Around          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 56.08 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 51.96 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 92.40 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 62.48 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 532.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.39                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 6.47                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 13.32                    |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 11.38                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 32.12 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 8.63 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -11.00 °C                |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 211.81 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 284.29 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 306.57 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 348.80 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 26.40 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 115.75-21.11 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 28.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 167.83-104.44 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 358.58 °C                |
| Energy Consumption (E)          | 76.35 MW                 |

Table 4.17 Results of one pump-around circuit scheme for heavy crude

From the results, the total energy consumption (*E*) decreases by 14.09 MW compared to the no pump-around scheme. The kerosene-naphtha gap is reduced from 34.23 to  $32.12^{\circ}$ C, remaining well above the specification of 16.7 °C and the yield of naphtha decreases but the yield of kerosene increases because some light components of the vapor are absorbed by the cold pump-around stream and carried to the kerosene withdrawal tray. Note that the total yield of the two products remains constant.

The resulting heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.10, the heat surplus in the condenser region is significantly reduced, but the region of PA1 is still larger than the demand. However, to reduce the heat surplus in the region of PA1, a second pump-around is added.



**Figure 4.10** Heat demand-supply diagram for heavy crude distillation with a top pump-around.

#### 4.1.3.2 Two Pump-Around Circuits

The second pump-around (PA2) is located between tray 10 and tray 12, just below the kerosene withdrawal tray. The return temperature is 171.11 °C. With the increase in the PA2 duty, the kerosene-naphtha gap decreases. Table 4.18 shows the variable of the scheme with two pump-arounds. Heat shifting continues until the liquid reflux at the kerosene withdrawal tray is small.

| Product                         | Two Pump-Arounds         |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 55.95 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 49.57 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 95.55 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 61.83 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 532.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.84                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 6.26                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 13.46                    |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 11.38                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 30.21 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 5.86 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -10.80 °C                |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 206.76 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 283.22 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 306.51 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 348.80 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 26.50 MW                 |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 115.82-21.11 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 18.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 163.52-104.44 °C         |
| Pump-Around 2 Duty              | 10.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 2 Temperature Range | 266.39-171.11 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 358.58 °C                |
| Energy Consumption ( <i>E</i> ) | 74.66 MW                 |

 Table 4.18 Results of two pump-around circuits scheme for heavy crude

From the results, the net energy consumption decreases by 1.69 MW and the yield of diesel increases while the yield of naphtha decreases.

The heat demand-supply diagram is shown in Figure 4.11, the heat surplus in the region of PA1 is still high, but further shifting would cost too much steam to be beneficial. Therefore, this remaining heat surplus is useless.



**Figure 4.11** Heat demand-supply diagram for heavy crude distillation with two pump-around circuits.

Now, the only heat surplus transferable is located in the PA2 circuit, to make use of heat surplus by adding a third pump-around circuit.

4.1.3.3 Three Pump-Around Circuits

The third pump-around (PA3) is located between tray 17 and tray 19. The return temperature is 232 °C. Heat is shifted gradually from PA2 to PA3, with the gap maintained above the specification. The total energy consumption and the third pump-around (PA3) duty distribution are shown in Table 4.19. A summary of all of the variables and the heat demand-supply diagram are shown in Table 4.20 and Figure 4.12.

| PA3 duty (MW) | Energy consumption (MW) |  |
|---------------|-------------------------|--|
| 1             | 74.58                   |  |
| 1.5           | 74.65                   |  |
| 5             | 74.70                   |  |
| 7             | 74.88                   |  |

Table 4.19 Effect of the duty of PA3 on energy consumption for heavy crude

At first, the energy consumption decreases with the increase in the duty of PA3. However, when the PA3 duty exceeds 1 MW, the energy consumption increases because of the increased use of steam to recover the AGOdiesel gap. Clearly, 1 MW is right point at heat shifting to PA3.

| Product                         | Three Pump-Arounds       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Naphtha Flow Rate               | 55.95 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Kerosene Flow Rate              | 49.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Diesel Flow Rate                | 95.29 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| AGO Flow Rate                   | 62.16 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| Residue Flow Rate               | 532.51 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| Kerosene Stripping Steam Ratio  | 9.86                     |
| Diesel Stripping Steam Ratio    | 6.27                     |
| AGO Stripping Steam Ratio       | 13.39                    |
| Residue Stripping Steam Ratio   | 11.38                    |
| (5-95) Kerosene-Naphtha Gap     | 30.23 °C                 |
| (5-95) Diesel-Kerosene Gap      | 5.56 °C                  |
| (5-95) AGO-Diesel Gap           | -10.95 °C                |
| Kerosene Withdrawal Temperature | 206.77 °C                |
| Diesel Withdrawal Temperature   | 282.47 °C                |
| AGO Withdrawal Temperature      | 306.50 °C                |
| Residue Withdrawal Temperature  | 348.81 °C                |
| Condenser Duty                  | 26.50MW                  |
| Condenser Temperature Range     | 115.89-21.11 °C          |
| Pump-Around 1 Duty              | 18.00 MW                 |
| Pump-Around 1 Temperature Range | 163.67-104.44 °C         |
| Pump-Around 2 Duty              | 9.00 MW                  |
| Pump-Around 2 Temperature Range | 265.95-171.11°C          |
| Pump-Around 3 Duty              | 1.00 MW                  |
| Pump-Around 3 Temperature Range | 316.89-232.22 °C         |
| Flash Zone Temperature          | 358.58 °C                |
| Energy Consumption (E)          | 74.58 MW                 |

 Table 4.20 Results of three pump-around circuits scheme for heavy crude

The following results are monitored: The energy consumption changes very little when heat is shifted from the PA2 to PA3. This is because there is a little heat surplus in the PA2 region. However, because the light crude and the intermediate crude require the PA2 and PA3 heat exchangers, shifting heat from PA1 to PA2 and PA3 in heavy crude design might be necessary. The AGO stripping steam flow rates for designs with one, two and three pump-around circuits are 2373.19kg/hr, respectively because the AGO-diesel maintained product quality above the specification.



**Figure 4.12** Heat demand-supply diagram for heavy crude distillation with three pump-around circuits.

# 4.2 The Relationship of the Steam Consumption of the Side Strippers and the Duty of Pump-Around Circuits

The steam consumption relates to the loads of the pump around circuits.

$$H_{s}^{c} = H_{s,1}^{c} + H_{s,2}^{c} + H_{s,3}^{c} + H_{s,M}^{c}$$

Where  $H_{s,1}^c, H_{s,2}^c, H_{s,3}^c$  and  $H_{s,M}^c$  are the steam consumption of the sidestrippers and the main bottom steam stream. These values depend on the distribution of the pump around loads. As these increase, the steam consumption increases, because of the need to maintain the gap. The relationship can be obtained from regression by assuming a linear relationship proposing the coefficients to be obtained by fitting the results and by another assumption of non linear relationship. Thus,

Linear relationship

$$H^{c}_{s,r} = \sum_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{i \in PA^{z}} \lambda^{c}_{i} Q^{c}_{i}$$

Non linear relationship

$$H_{s,r}^{c} = \sum_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{i \in PA^{z}} \lambda_{i}^{c} Q_{i}^{c^{2}}$$

Where  $Q_i^c$  are the heat duties of pump-around circuits i and  $\lambda_i^c$  are constant values.

#### 4.2.1 Light Crude

Assuming the total load of heat removed by the pump-around circuits and the condenser are roughly constant. In addition, a minimum amount of reflux has been used. Lower values will dry trays out with the near zero liquid flow rates. Which is a small fraction (1%) of the feed or a small number in this circumstance.

First, adding the top pump-around circuit which pump-around stream is withdrawn from tray 4, cooled in the heat exchangers, and returned to tray 2. The return temperature is 104.4 °C. The heat shift continues until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on the top tray.

Then, the second pump-around (PA2) is located between tray 10 and tray 12, just below the kerosene withdrawal tray. The return temperature is chosen to be around equal to the withdrawal temperature of PA1 that is 171.11 °C. Heat shift

continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on tray 9.

Finally, the third pump-around (PA3) is located between tray 17 and tray 19. The return temperature is 232 °C. The heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on tray 16. However the steams at each side strippers were used for maintaining all of the gap specifications to keep the product on specification. The results of each pump-around circuit's duties and steam consumption at each side strippers are shown in Table 4.21.

**Table 4.21** The duties of each pump-around circuits with steam consumption at side

 stripper and product gap for light crude

| Light Crude                      | Results  |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| PA1 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 79.20    |
| PA2 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 61.20    |
| PA3 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 111.60   |
| Kerosene stripping steam (Kg/hr) | 8242.00  |
| Diesel stripping steam (Kg/hr)   | 11031.80 |
| AGO stripping steam (Kg/hr)      | 3452.15  |
| Residue stripping steam (Kg/hr)  | 6020.07  |
| Kerosene-naphtha (5-95)gap (°C)  | 16.70    |
| Diesel-kerosene (5-95)gap (°C)   | 0.00     |
| AGO-diesel (5-95)gap (°C)        | 0.26     |

To obtain the relationship, the expression is needed to fit all possible pump-around loads. The results of variable of pump-around circuit's duties and steam consumption of each side strippers from simulation are shown in Table 4.22.

| Pump-around    | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr) | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 79.20    | 8242.00            | 11031.80         | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 61.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 111.60   |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 77.40    | 7650.00            | 10486.00         | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 59.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 109.80   |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 75.60    | 7106.00            | 9971.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 57.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 108.00   |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 72.00    | 6141.00            | 9017.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 54.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 104.40   |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 70.20    | 5713.00            | 8573.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 52.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 102.60   |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 68.40    | 5316.50            | 8155.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 50.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 100.80   |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 66.60    | 4949.50            | 7756.50          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 48.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 99.00    |                    |                  | ,             |
| PA1 = 64.80    | 4608.00            | 7380.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 46.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 97.20    |                    |                  |               |

**Table 4.22** The results of stripping steam consumption of various pump-aroundloads for light crude

| Pump-around        | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr)     | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 63.00        | 4291.50            | 7025.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 45.00        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 95.40        |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 61.20        | 4108.32            | 6705.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 43.20        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 93.60        |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 57.60        | 4108.32            | 6120.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 39.60        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 90.00        |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 46.80        | 4108.32            | 4658.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 28.80        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 79.20        |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 39.60        | 4108.32            | 3880.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 21.60        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 72.00        |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 36.00        | 4108.32            | 3540.00          | 3452.15       |
| PA2 = 18.00        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 68.00        |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 0            | 4108.32            | 1997.12          | 3452.15       |
| $\mathbf{PA2} = 0$ |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 0            |                    |                  |               |

**Table 4.22** (Continue) The results of stripping steam consumption of various pumparound loads for light crude

For the expression, the least linear regression method is used to obtain the relationship between the load of pump-around circuits and steam consumption at each side strippers. The expressions are

for linear relationship assumption

$$H_{s,1}^c = 4108.313 + 1622614.602Q_1^c - 1042972.256Q_2^c - 579555.316Q_3^c$$
  
R Squared = 0.721

$$H_{s,2}^{c} = 1997.120 + 742686.005Q_{1}^{c} - 477227.924Q_{2}^{c} - 265287.167Q_{3}^{c}$$
  
R Squared = 0.978

$$H_{s,3}^c = 3452.1526$$

for non linear relationship assumption

$$H_{s,1}^{c} = 4108.368 - 21.456(Q_{1}^{c})^{2} + 22.077(Q_{2}^{c})^{2} + 4.487(Q_{3}^{c})^{2}$$
  
R Squared = 0.979

$$H_{s,2}^{c} = 1997.131 - 4.307 (Q_{1}^{c})^{2} + 5.821 (Q_{2}^{c})^{2} + 1.138 (Q_{3}^{c})^{2}$$
  
R Squared = 1.000

$$H_{s,3}^c = 3452.1526$$

The major conclusions from the expression are as follows: the relationship between the load of pump-around circuits and steam consumption at each side strippers are non linear relationship.

## 4.2.2 Intermediate Crude

Assuming the total load of heat removed by the pump-around circuits and the condenser are roughly constant. In addition, a minimum amount of reflux has been used. Lower values will dry trays out (the definition of dry here is not zero liquid flow rates). Rather, a small fraction (1%) of the feed or any small number in this circumstance.

First, adding the top pump-around circuit which pump-around stream is withdrawn from tray 4, cooled in the heat exchangers, and returned to tray 2. The

return temperature is 104.4 °C. The heat shift continues until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on the top tray.

Then, the second pump-around (PA2) is located between tray 10 and tray 12, just below the kerosene withdrawal tray. The return temperature is chosen to be around the withdrawal temperature of PA1 of 171.11 °C. Heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on tray 9.

Finally, the third pump-around (PA3) is located between tray 17 and tray 19. The return temperature is 232 °C. The heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on tray 16. However the steam at each side strippers were used for maintaining all of the gap specifications. The results of each pump-around circuit's duties and steam consumption at each side strippers are shown in Table 4.23.

**Table 4.23** The duties of each pump-around circuits with steam consumption at side

 stripper and product gap for intermediate crude

| Intermediate Crude               | Results  |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| PA1 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 50.40    |
| PA2 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 54.00    |
| PA3 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 64.80    |
| Kerosene stripping steam (Kg/hr) | 8529.00  |
| Diesel stripping steam (Kg/hr)   | 5569.00  |
| AGO stripping steam (Kg/hr)      | 1672.89  |
| Residue stripping steam (Kg/hr)  | 12173.05 |
| Kerosene-naphtha (5-95)gap (°C)  | 16.70    |
| Diesel-kerosene (5-95)gap (°C)   | 0.00     |
| AGO-diesel (5-95)gap (°C)        | -9.74    |

To obtain the relationship, the expression is needed to fit all possible pump-around loads. The results of variable of pump-around circuit's duties and steam consumption of each side strippers from simulation are shown in Table 4.24.

**Table 4.24** The results of stripping steam consumption of various pump-around loads for intermediate crude

| Pump-around    | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr) | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 50.40    | 8529.00            | 5569.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 54.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 64.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 48.60    | 7700.00            | 5275.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 52.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 63.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 46.80    | 6965.00            | 4995.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 50.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 61.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 45.00    | 6305.00            | 4732.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 48.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 59.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 43.20    | 5713.00            | 4482.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 46.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 57.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 41.40    | 5180.00            | 4246.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 45.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 55.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 39.60    | 4700.00            | 4023.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 43.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 54.00    |                    |                  |               |

| Pump-around    | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr) | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 37.80    | 4265.00            | 3812.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 41.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 52.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 27.00    | 2707.1731          | 2766.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 30.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 41.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 25.20    | 2707.1731          | 2626.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 28.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 39.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 21.60    | 2707.1731          | 2367.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 25.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 36.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 18.00    | 2707.1731          | 2128.50          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 21.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 32.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 14.40    | 2707.1731          | 1911.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 18.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 28.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 12.60    | 2707.1731          | 1810.50          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 16.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 27.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 10.80    | 2707.1731          | 1731.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 14.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 25.20    |                    |                  |               |

 

 Table 4.24 (Continue)
 The results of stripping steam consumption of various pumparound loads for intermediate crude

| Pump-around    | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr) | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 9.00     | 2707.1731          | 1731.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 12.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 23.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 7.20     | 2707.1731          | 1731.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 10.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 21.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 0        | 2707.1731          | 1731.00          | 1672.89       |
| PA2 = 0        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 0        |                    |                  |               |

**Table 4.24** (Continue) The results of stripping steam consumption of various pumparound loads for intermediate crude

For the expression, the least linear regression method is used to obtain the relationship between the load of pump-around circuits and steam consumption at each side strippers. The expressions are

for linear relationship assumption

$$H_{s,1}^{c} = 2707.173 + 10232.752Q_{1}^{c} - 13315.064Q_{2}^{c} + 3200.730Q_{3}^{c}$$
  
R Squared = 0.819

$$H_{s,2}^c = 1730.998 + 4939.097 Q_1^c - 6367.908 Q_2^c + 1518.200 Q_3^c$$
  
R Squared = 0.974

 $H_{s,3}^c = 1672.890$ 

for non linear relationship assumption

$$H_{s,1}^{c} = 2707.173 + 71.647(Q_{1}^{c})^{2} - 78.470(Q_{2}^{c})^{2} + 12.451(Q_{3}^{c})^{2}$$
  
R Squared = 0.989

$$H_{s,2}^{c} = 1730.998 - 1.369(Q_{1}^{c})^{2} + 3.800(Q_{2}^{c})^{2} - 0.904(Q_{3}^{c})^{2}$$
  
R Squared = 1.000

$$H_{s,3}^c = 1672.890$$

The major conclusion from the expression is as follows: the relationship between the load of pump-around circuits and steam consumption at each side strippers are non linear relationship.

#### 4.2.3 Heavy Crude

Assuming the total load of heat removed by the pump-around circuits and the condenser are roughly constant. In addition, a minimum amount of reflux has been used. Lower values will dry trays out that the definition of dry is not zero liquid flow rates. Rather, a small fraction (1%) of the feed or any small number in this circumstance.

First, adding the top pump-around circuit which pump-around stream is withdrawn from tray 4, cooled in the heat exchangers, and returned to tray 2. The return temperature is 104.4 °C. The heat shift continues until the reflux ratio reaches 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on the top tray.

Then, the second pump-around (PA2) is located between tray 10 and tray 12, just below the kerosene withdrawal tray. The return temperature is chosen to be around the withdrawal temperature of PA1 of 171.11 °C. Heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on tray 9.

Finally, the third pump-around (PA3) is located between tray 17 and tray 19. The return temperature is 232 °C. The heat shift continues without violating the gap specifications until the reflux ratio is around 0.1. Further heat shift would result in liquid drying up on tray 16. However the steam at each side strippers were

used for maintain all of the gap specifications. The results of each pump-around circuit's duties and steam consumption at each side strippers are shown in Table 4.25.

**Table 4.25** The duties of each pump-around circuits with steam consumption at side

 stripper and product gap for heavy crude

| Heavy Crude                      | Results  |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| PA1 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 28.80    |
| PA2 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 43.20    |
| PA3 duty (M*KJ/hr)               | 32.40    |
| Kerosene stripping steam (Kg/hr) | 1392.26  |
| Diesel stripping steam (Kg/hr)   | 1705.23  |
| AGO stripping steam (Kg/hr)      | 2373.78  |
| Residue stripping steam (Kg/hr)  | 17284.12 |
| Kerosene-naphtha (5-95)gap (°C)  | 26.48    |
| Diesel-kerosene (5-95)gap (°C)   | 0.66     |
| AGO-diesel (5-95)gap (°C)        | -11.00   |

To obtain the relationship, the expression is needed to fit all possible pump-around loads. The results of variable of pump-around circuit's duties and steam consumption of each side strippers from simulation are shown in Table 4.26.

| Pump-around    | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr) | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 28.80    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2472.00       |
| PA2 = 43.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 32.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 27.00    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2470.00       |
| PA2 = 41.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 30.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 25.20    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2467.60       |
| PA2 = 39.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 28.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 23.40    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2465.00       |
| PA2 = 37.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 27.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 21.60    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2462.50       |
| PA2 = 36.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 25.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 19.80    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2457.80       |
| PA2 = 34.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 23.40    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 14.40    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2444.50       |
| PA2 = 28.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 18.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 10.80    | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2432.00       |
| PA2 = 25.20    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 14.40    |                    |                  |               |

**Table 4.26** The results of stripping steam consumption of various pump-aroundloads for heavy crude

| Pump-around    | Kerosene stripping | Diesel stripping | AGO stripping |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| duty (M*KJ/hr) | steam (Kg/hr)      | steam (Kg/hr)    | steam (Kg/hr) |
| PA1 = 7.20     | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2417.40       |
| PA2 = 21.60    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 10.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 5.40     | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2407.50       |
| PA2 = 19.80    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 9.00     |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 3.60     | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2398.00       |
| PA2 = 18.00    |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 7.20     |                    |                  |               |
| PA1 = 0        | 1392.26            | 1705.23          | 2373.78       |
| PA2 = 0        |                    |                  |               |
| PA3 = 0        |                    |                  |               |

 

 Table 4.26 (Continue)
 The results of stripping steam consumption of various pumparound loads for intermediate crude

For the expression, the least linear regression method is used to obtain the relationship between the load of pump-around circuits and steam consumption at each side strippers. The expressions are

for linear relationship assumption

 $H_{s,1}^{c} = 1392.255$ 

 $H_{s,2}^{c} = 1705.234$ 

 $H_{s,3}^{c} = 2373.783 + 45.368Q_{1}^{c} + 16.202Q_{2}^{c} - 58.659Q_{3}^{c}$ 

R Squared = 1.000

for non linear relationship assumption

$$H_{s,1}^{c} = 1392.255$$

$$H_{s,2}^{c} = 1705.234$$

$$H_{s,3}^{c} = 2373.783 - 0.999(Q_{1}^{c})^{2} - 0.033(Q_{2}^{c})^{2} + 0.941(Q_{3}^{c})^{2}$$
R Squared = 1.000

The major conclusion from the expression is as follows: the relationship between the load of pump-around circuits and steam consumption at each side strippers are non linear relationship.

## 4.3 Multipurpose/Multiperiod HEN Model

The data presented in part of targeting that are used for a plant processing 795 m<sup>3</sup>/h (120000 barrels per day).

The flowsheet of heat exchanger network is constructed by making the crude get in contact with increasingly hot streams. The same sequence model is used for all crudes. The results show the base case model for the light, intermediate and heavy crude in Figure 4.13.



Figure 4.13 The base case of heat exchanger network model.

The optimization is applied to obtain the areas of heat exchanger network for all crudes by using optimizer in PROVISION II, before and after the desalter. The results show that, for the light crude, the network with areas and costs are required in Table 4.27 and 4.28, respectively.

| unit           | Area (m <sup>2</sup> ) |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Condenser – Cl | 217.828                |
| PA1 – C1       | 452.104                |
| Kerosene – C1  | 647.802                |
| PA2 – C1       | 602.102                |
| Diesel– C2     | 1925.51                |
| PA3 – C2       | 247.907                |
| AGO – C2       | 4010.68                |
| Residue – C2   | 848.133                |

| <b>Table 4.27</b> | Areas for | light crude |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|

# Table 4.28 Area and costs for light crude

| HEN model for light crude |
|---------------------------|
| 8952.066                  |
| 43289.12881               |
| 7195220.096               |
| 7238509.129               |
|                           |

The results of areas and costs for intermediate crude are shown in Table 4.29 and 4.30, respectively.

# Table 4.29 Areas for intermediate crude

| unit           | Area (m <sup>2</sup> ) |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Condenser – C1 | 241.455                |
| PA1 - C1       | 690.235                |
| Kerosene– C1   | 588.137                |
| PA2 - C1       | 631.056                |
| Diesel – C2    | 1674.16                |
| PA3 – C2       | 97.1352                |
| AGO – C2       | 1916.39                |
| Residue – C2   | 1665.89                |

# Table 4.30 Area and costs for intermediate crude

|                            | HEN model for intermediate crude |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Total area, m <sup>2</sup> | 7504.4582                        |
| Fixed Cost, \$/year        | 38599.90978                      |
| Operating Cost, \$/year    | 6243003.598                      |
| Total cost, \$/year        | 6281603.508                      |

The results of areas and costs for heavy crude are shown in Table 4.31 and 4.32, respectively.

| unit           | Area (m <sup>2</sup> ) |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Condenser – C1 | 910.108                |
| PA1 – C1       | 991.138                |
| Kerosene – C1  | 613.065                |
| PA2 – C1       | 448.693                |
| Diesel – C2    | 1987.30                |
| PA3 – C2       | 49.1488                |
| AGO – C2       | 1575.02                |
| Residue – C2   | 2356.44                |

Table 4.31Areas for heavy crude

 Table 4.32
 Area and costs for heavy crude

|                                     | HEN model for heavy crude |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Total area, m <sup>2</sup>          | 8930.9128                 |
| Fixed Cost, \$/year                 | 43222.61302               |
| Operating Cost, \$/year             | 5309554.816               |
| Total cost, 10 <sup>6</sup> \$/year | 5352777.429               |

The multiperiod heat exchanger network model is designed by assuming that the largest area of three types of crudes for each heat exchanger is chosen to use in the multiperiod heat exchanger network model. The model is solved by using PROVISION II. Figure 4.14 shows the heat exchanger network consisting of bypasses exists and using controller to control the bypasses for achieving the target temperature. The areas are presented in Table 4.33, and costs of network are shown in Table 4.34.



Figure 4.14 The multipurpose/multiperiod heat exchanger network model.

| Table 4.33Areas | for | multip | period | model |
|-----------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|
|-----------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|

| unit           | Area (m <sup>2</sup> ) |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Condenser – C1 | 910.108                |
| PA1 – C1       | 991.138                |
| Kerosene – C1  | 647.802                |
| PA2 – C1       | 631.056                |
| Diesel– C2     | 1987.30                |
| PA3 – C2       | 247.907                |
| AGO – C2       | 4010.68                |
| Residue – C2   | 2356.44                |

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|                            | HEN model for multiperiod model |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Total area, m <sup>2</sup> | 11782.431                       |
| Fixed Cost, \$/year        | 51752.00                        |
| Operating Cost, \$/year    | 7196300.00                      |
| Total cost, \$/year        | 7248052.00                      |

#### Table 4.34 Area and costs for multiperiod model

## 4.3.1 <u>Retrofit</u>

In multipurpose heat exchanger network, when the sequence of heat exchanger network is discussed, an existing plant of heat exchanger network is shown in Figure 4.14. The additional one heat exchanger is required in the network model. The possibility of adding one heat exchanger will be evaluated to improve existing plant. The condenser, kerosene, PA1, diesel, PA3 and residue streams are omitted because their supply amounts are relatively smaller.

First, adding a heat exchanger to the PA2, in the position of desalterdiesel, diesel-PA3, PA3-AGO, AGO-residue and residue heat exchanger-furnace is shown in Figure 4.15 - 4.19, respectively and using by pass PA2 stream to improve energy efficiency. The table 4.35 is based on the profitability criteria with optimization by PROVISION II.



**Figure 4.15** The additional one heat exchanger to PA2 in the position of desalter and diesel heat exchanger.



**Figure 4.16** The additional one heat exchanger to PA2 in the position of diesel and PA3 heat exchangers.



**Figure 4.17** The additional one heat exchanger to PA2 in the position of PA3 and AGO heat exchangers.



**Figure 4.18** The additional one heat exchanger to PA2 in the position of AGO and residue heat exchangers.



**Figure 4.19** The additional one heat exchanger to PA2 in the position of residue heat exchanger and furnace.

| <b>Table 4.35</b> Economics of additional one heat e | exchanger to the P | A2 in any positions |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|
|--|--------------------|---------------------|

| Position        | Area              | Cost of | Depreciation | Utility     | Net Present |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
|                 | added             | HEN,    | Cost         | saving cost | Value       |
|                 | (m <sup>2</sup> ) | (\$)    | (\$)         | (\$)        | (\$)        |
| Desalter-diesel | 4004.97           | 625940  | 194910       | 6290672     | 5859642.30  |
| Diesel-PA3      | 8561.96           | 738100  | 229840       | 6877041     | 6368780.70  |
| PA3-AGO         | 11807.90          | 812650  | 253050       | 6815264     | 6255664.30  |
| AGO-residue     | 11649.50          | 809100  | 251950       | 6509306     | 5952156.30  |
| Residue-        | 11635.40          | 808790  | 251850       | 4695610     | 4138670.00  |
| furnace         |                   |         |              |             |             |

The major results from simulation are as follows: when adding PA2 heat exchanger in the position of diesel and PA3 heat exchangers, the utility saving cost is the largest that makes the NPV is also the largest.

Consider adding a heat exchanger to the PA2, adding a heat exchanger between diesel and PA3 heat exchangers is shown in Figure 4.16 and

using by pass PA2 stream to get more energy efficiency. The Table 4.36 is based on the profitability criteria, heat exchangers with area of 4.86535  $m^2$ , 840.983  $m^2$  and 8561.96  $m^2$  can be chosen.

| Area added          | 4.86535 m <sup>2</sup> | 840.983 m <sup>2</sup> | 8561.96 m <sup>2</sup> |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Cost of HEN         | \$ 517660              | \$ 541240              | \$ 738100              |
| Depreciation Cost   | \$ 161200              | \$ 168540              | \$ 229840              |
| Utility saving cost | \$ 46162.33            | \$ 3835671.00          | \$ 6877040.67          |
| Net Present Value   | \$-310597.67           | \$ 3462971.00          | \$ 6368780.70          |

 Table 4.36
 Economics of additional one heat exchanger to the PA2

The major results from simulation are as follows: when the area increases from 4.86535 m<sup>2</sup> to 8561.96 m<sup>2</sup>, the utility saving cost increases, causing this option more attractive for retrofit. Indeed, adding 8561.96 m<sup>2</sup>, one obtains a NPV of 6.37 millions dollas. Figure 4.16 shows the retrofit heat exchanger network design optimal solution.

Addition of an exchanger to AGO of similar sizes produces poorer results at the same cost. This is not considering further.

To consider AGO, the resulting of economics analysis is shown in Table 4.37 and the model is shown in Figure 4.20. The major results from simulation are as follows: when adding AGO heat exchanger in the position of diesel and PA3 heat exchangers, the utility saving cost is smaller than adding PA2 in the same position that makes the NPV smaller.

| Area added          | 8561.96 m <sup>2</sup> |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| Cost of HEN         | \$ 738100              |
| Depreciation Cost   | \$ 229840              |
| Utility saving cost | \$ 346596              |
| Net Present Value   | \$ -161664             |

 Table 4.37
 Economics of additional one heat exchanger to the AGO



Figure 4.20 The additional one heat exchanger to AGO.

From all of possibility designs, the best solution for retrofitting is adding one heat exchanger to PA2 in the position of diesel and PA3 heat exchangers.