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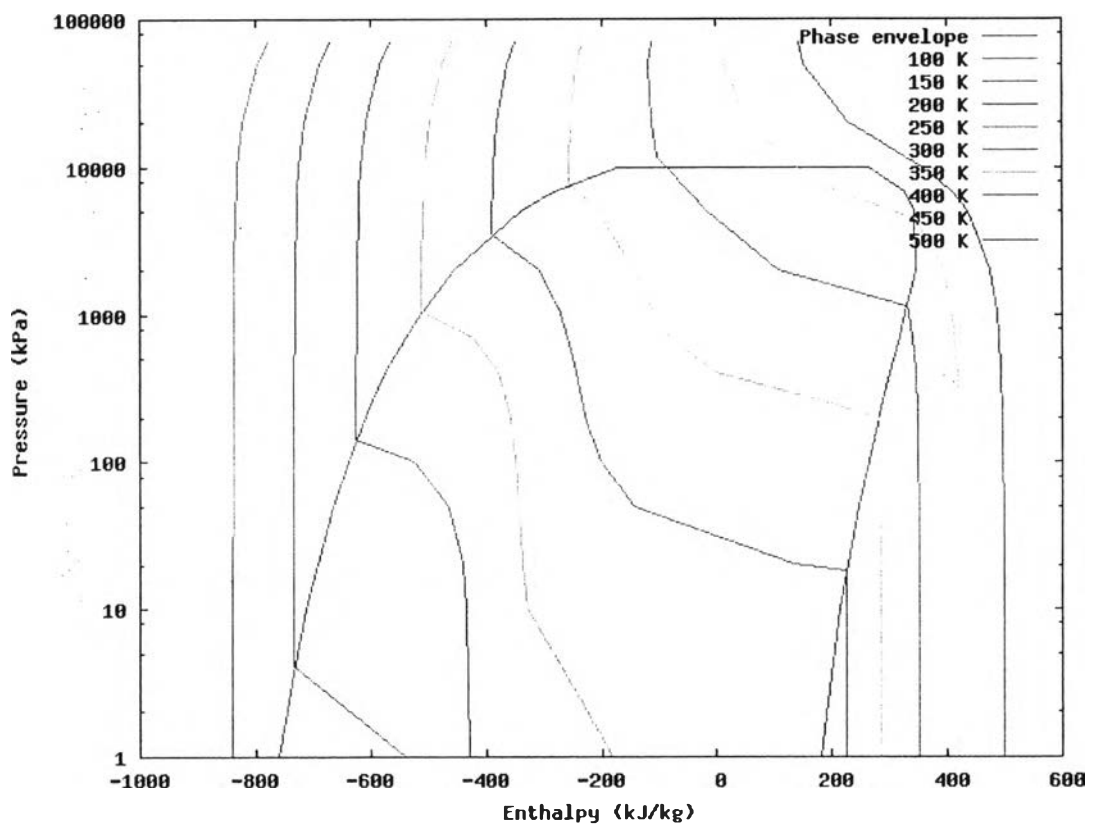
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APPENDICES

Appendix A Carbon Dioxide: Pressure-Enthalpy Diagram of CO₂ Mixture
(CO₂ mol fraction at 0.5 and EtOH mol fraction at 0.5)
(http://www2.questconsult.com/cgi-bin/jrm_enthpres)



Appendix B Calculations for Catalyst Preparation

First of all, the desired molar ratios of the catalyst were calculated from Equation B.1. The unknowns parameters are A and B. Therefore, another equation must be used to solve the equation simultaneously.

$$\frac{A}{B} = \text{ratio} \times \frac{a}{b} \quad (\text{B.1})$$

- where A = Weight of $\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, g
 B = Weight of $\text{ZrO}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$, g
 ratio = molar ratio of Ce/Zr
 a = Molecular weight of $\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 434.22 g/mol (Acros)
 b = Molecular weight of $\text{ZrO}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 231.23 g/mol (Acros)

Equation B.2 is represented the amount of CeO_2 - ZrO_2 catalyst at desired molar ratio.

$$C + D = E \quad (\text{B.2})$$

- where C = Weight of CeO_2 , g
 D = Weight of ZrO_2 , g
 E = Weight of CeO_2 - ZrO_2 catalyst at desired molar ratio, g

The mole of Ce in CeO_2 and $\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, and the mole of Zr in ZrO_2 and $\text{ZrO}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ are equal (1 mol) as written in Equations B.3 and B.4.

$$C' = A' \quad (\text{B.3})$$

$$D' = B' \quad (\text{B.4})$$

- where A' = Mole of $\text{Ce}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, mol

B' = Mole of $\text{ZrO}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$, mol

C' = Mole of CeO_2 , mol

D' = Mole of ZrO_2 , mol

Therefore, parameters C and D are rearranged and expressed as Equation B.5.

$$c \times \left(\frac{A}{a} \right) + d \times \left(\frac{B}{b} \right) = E \quad (\text{B.5})$$

where c = Molecular weight of CeO_2 , 172.12 g/mol

(<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/CeO2>)

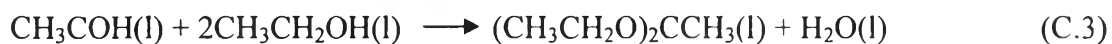
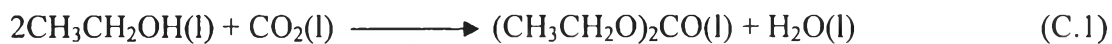
d = Molecular weight of ZrO_2 , 123.22 g/mol

(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zirconium_dioxide)

Equations B.1 and B.2 are solved simultaneously to find the weight of the precursors for the desired molar ratio of the catalyst.

Appendix C Equilibrium Conversion Calculations

In this work, the reactions as shown in Equations C.1 to C.3 were occurred.



To determine the equilibrium conversion of the reactions, the first step is to calculation Gibb's free energy at the reaction temperature. The reference state is 298.15 K and 1 atm. Equations C.4 and C.5 show the relationship equation between enthalpy equation and Gibb's free energy equation, respectively.

$$\Delta H_T = J + (\Delta a)T + (\Delta b/2)T^2 + (\Delta c/3)T^3 + (\Delta d/4)T^4 \quad \text{C.4}^1$$

$$\Delta G_T/RT = J/RT - (\Delta a/R)\ln T - (\Delta b/2R)T - (\Delta c/6R)T^2 - (\Delta d/12R)T^3 + I \quad \text{C.5}^1$$

where ΔH_T = the change of heat of formation at T K (kJ/kmol);

J = the constant value found by using a known numerical value;

T = temperature (K);

ΔG_T = the change of Gibb's free energy at T K (kJ/kmol);

I = the constant value;

R = gas constant (8.314 kJ/kmole-K);

Δa , Δb , Δc , and Δd = the change of the heat capacity coefficient (kJ/kmole-K).

The thermodynamic properties required for the calculation are shown in Tables C.1 and C.2.

Table C.1 Basic chemical properties²

| Components | Molecular Weight | V_c | T_c | P_c | Z_c | Liquid density at 298.15 K | Specific volume of liquid at 298.15 K | Vapor pressure at 298.15 K |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Unit | | m³/kmol | K | kPa | - | kmol/m³ | m³/kmol | Pa |
| Ethanol | 46.07 | 0.167 | 513.92 | 6148 | 0.24 | 17.05969827 | 0.058617684 | 7927.721194 |
| CO ₂ | 44.01 | 0.094 | 304.21 | 7383 | 0.274 | 16.21319281 | 0.061678166 | 6447890.526 |
| DEC | 118.13 | 0.356 | 576 | 3390 | 0.252 | 8.215115755 | 0.12172683 | 1443.546677 |
| Acetaldehyde | 44.05 | 0.154 | 466 | 5550 | 0.221 | 17.5784734 | 0.056887761 | 116643.0291 |
| Acetal | 118.17 | 0.402 | 541 | 2980 | 0.266 | 6.951278998 | 0.143858418 | 4498.034707 |
| H ₂ | 2.02 | 0.064147 | 33.19 | 1313 | 0.305 | - | - | - |
| H ₂ O | 18.01 | 0.055948 | 647.13 | 22055 | 0.229 | 55.2272548 | 0.018107002 | 3170.385775 |

Table C.2 Enthalpy, Gibbs free energy, and heat capacity coefficient of the chemicals²

| Components | ΔH at 298.15 K and 1 atm | ΔG at 298.15 K and 1 atm | a | b | c | d |
|-------------------|--|--|----------|----------|------------|--------------|
| Unit | kJ/kmol | kJ/kmol | | | | |
| Ethanol | -277501.87 | -174161 | -26.165 | 0.30889 | -0.0010075 | 0.000001 |
| CO ₂ | -403923.212 | -384466 | 0.26663 | 0.002976 | -0.0000041 | 0.000000002 |
| DEC | -684104.177 | -475177 | -21.42 | 0.17472 | -0.0004269 | 0.0000003 |
| Acetaldehyde | -192037.488 | -132752 | 0.92311 | -0.00071 | 0.0000087 | -0.000000008 |
| Acetal | -491707.188 | -252707 | -53.176 | 0.4455 | -0.0011838 | 0.000001 |
| H ₂ | 0 | 0 | 11.812 | 0.014655 | -0.0000259 | 0.00000001 |
| H ₂ O | -285682.886 | -237176 | -214.555 | 1.7934 | -0.0048142 | 0.0000042 |

After the calculations to find I and J constant are precede, Gibbs free energy in each reaction and reaction temperature can be found. Gibbs free energy of the reaction at the reaction temperature is used to calculate the equilibrium constant as shown in Equation C.6.

$$-\Delta G_T/RT = \ln(K) \quad C.6^1$$

where K = equilibrium constant.

To find the chemical compositions at the operating condition, the relation of equilibrium constant to composition in gas and liquid phase reactions are shown in Equations C.7 and C.8, respectively.

$$\prod (y_i \phi_i)^{\nu_i} = (P/P^\circ)^{-\nu} K \quad C.7^3$$

$$\prod (x_i \gamma_i)^{\nu_i} = K \exp\left[\frac{(P^\circ - P)}{RT} \sum (\nu_i V_i)\right] \quad C.8^3$$

where y_i = fraction of component in gas phase;

ϕ_i = fugacity coefficient;

P° = standard pressure (1 atm);

ν_i = stoichiometric number;

x_i = fraction of component in liquid phase;

γ_i = activity coefficient;

V_i = specific volume of liquid (m^3/mol).

In this calculation, ideal solution is assumed, so, activity coefficient is unity. Next, to evaluate the chemical composition at equilibrium, mole balances of the multiple reactions as shown in Table C.3 are converted to the fraction of each component.

Table C.3 Mole balances of the multiple reactions

| Component | Mole input | Mole output |
|------------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| EtOH | A | $A-2X-Y-2Z$ |
| CO ₂ | B | $B-X$ |
| DEC | - | X |
| Acetaldehyde | - | $Y-Z$ |
| Acetal | - | Z |
| H ₂ | - | Y |
| H ₂ O | - | $X+Z$ |
| Total | A+B | $A+B-X+Y-Z$ |

where A = an initial mole of ethanol (1 mole);
 B = an initial mole of CO₂ (1 mole);
 X = reaction coordinate of the Equation C.1;
 Y = reaction coordinate of the Equation C.2;
 Z = reaction coordinate of the Equation C.3.

Finally, when all parameters are found, using the Solver in Microsoft Excel 2007 to find the values of X, Y, and Z simultaneously in each reaction temperature.

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²ProII simulation software.

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Appendix D Calculations for Chemical Compositions from Experimental Data

After obtain the area of DEC, acetaldehyde, and acetal from the GC, the area is converted to the amount of the component by the calibration curve in each component as shown in Appendix E. This amount converted from area is an amount in 1 μL . The amount of ethanol can be calculated as shown in Equation D.1.

$$1 \mu\text{L} = V_1 - aA - bB - cC - d(\delta D) \quad (\text{D.1})$$

- where V_1 = volume of ethanol in a syringe (μL);
 A = mass of DEC converted from its area (g);
 B = mass of acetaldehyde converted from its area (g);
 C = mass of acetal converted from its area (g);
 D = mass of water based on the mole of water equilibrium in each reaction temperature (2.7, 8.27, and 10.2 times of DEC mole at 110, 140, 170 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, respectively);
 a = density of DEC at 298.15 K (0.975 g/mL);
 b = density of acetaldehyde at 298.15 K (0.788 g/mL);
 c = density of acetal at 298.15 K (0.828 g/mL);
 d = density of water at 298.15 K (0.997 g/mL)

After the amount of ethanol inside the syringe is known, the conversion of ethanol can be calculated as shown in Equation D.2. Next, the real amount of ethanol inside the autoclave can be found as shown in Equation D.3. Finally, the amount of DEC, acetaldehyde, and acetal inside the autoclave are calculated in Equation D.4.

$$\text{EtOH conv. (\%)} = 100 \times [I - R]/I \quad (\text{D.2})$$

- where I = initial mass of EtOH in 1 μL ;
 R = mass of EtOH calculated from the above.

$$R_1 = [\text{EtOH conv} \times \text{Initial mass of EtOH in the autoclave}] / 100 \quad (\text{D.3})$$

where R_1 = mass of ethanol inside the autoclave during the experiment.

$$Z = (R_1 \times A \text{ or B or C}) / V_1 \quad (\text{D.4})$$

where Z = the mass of DEC or acetaldehyde or acetal in the autoclave.

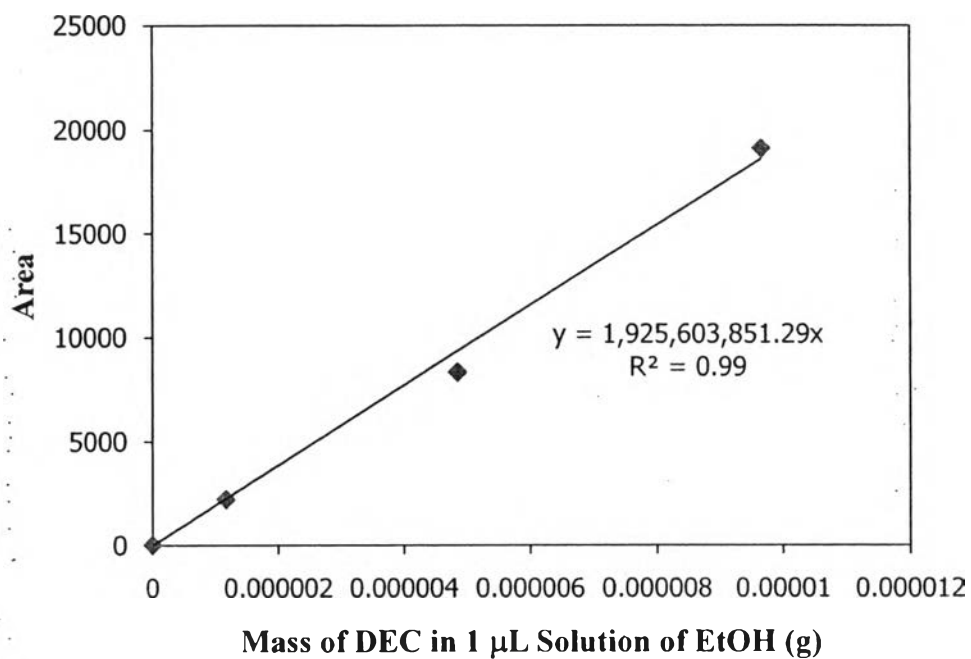
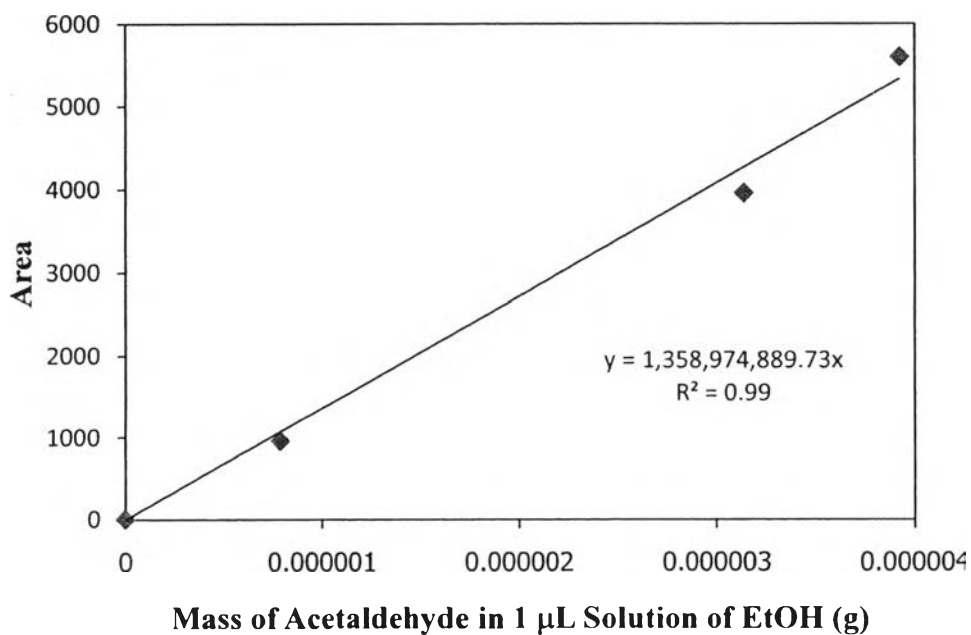
Appendix E The Calibration Curves of DEC, Acetaldehyde, and Acetal**Figure E.1** The calibration curve of DEC.

Figure E.2 The calibration curve of acetaldehyde.

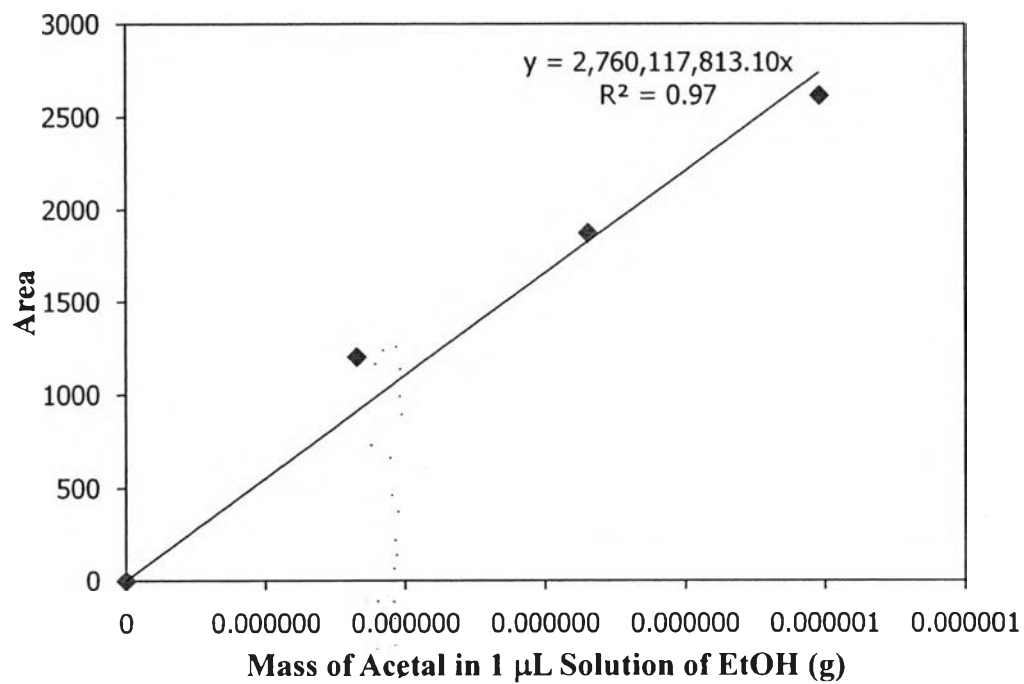


Figure E.3 The calibration curve of acetal.

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