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**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND  
SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER**

**PROGRAMME** : **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FOOD SCIENCE,  
NUTRITION AND TECHNOLOGY YEAR II**

**COURSE CODE** : **FNS201**

**TITLE OF PAPER** : **PRINCIPLES OF FOOD ENGINEERING**

**TIME ALLOWED** : **TWO (2) HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS** : **ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY OTHER  
TWO (2) QUESTIONS.**

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**QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)**

- (a) Air at 20°C and 10 g/kgda is heated to 45°C. Determine the thermodynamic properties of the air before and after heating. (11 Marks)
- (b) A rectangular slab is made of brick lined with insulator. The temperature of the inner slab surface is 10°C and that of the outer surface is 35°C. The thickness of the brick layer is 20 cm and the thickness of the insulation is 5 cm. The thermal conductivity of brick and the insulator is 1.5 W/m°C and 0.06 W/m°C respectively, Calculate the total resistance of the slab to heat transfer and the heat transfer losses through the wall if the slab area is 16 m<sup>2</sup>. (15 Marks)
- (c) In a laboratory experiment it was found that heating a suspension of spores at 120°C for 100 seconds results in reduction of microbial load from 10<sup>3</sup> to 10<sup>-5</sup> 8-log reduction of the spores. To achieve the same reduction at 110° C, 125 seconds are needed. Calculate the decimal reduction time at the two temperatures and the z value. (14 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 40]

**QUESTION 2**

- (a) With the help of a sketch, describe a three-effect multiple evaporation system with a parallel feed configuration. (12 Marks)
- (b) List five points that need to be considered in selecting a refrigerant. (10 Marks)
- (c) Describe the hysteresis mechanism. (8 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

**QUESTION 3**

- (a) Explain the following:
- i. Bingham plastic fluid
  - ii. Heating rate constant
  - iii. Batch system
  - iv. Turbulent flow
  - v. hysteresis
- (5x4 = 20 Marks)
- (b) List the factors that influence the rate of convective mass transfer (10 Marks)

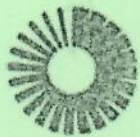
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**QUESTION 4**

- (a) Describe the refrigeration cycle with the help of sketch including changes in the properties of the refrigerant as it flows through the different units. **(16 Marks)**
- (b) With the help of a sketch, show a drying process on the psychrometric chart and describe the changes in the property of the air before and after drying. **(14 Marks)**

**[TOTAL MARKS = 30]**



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**PSYCHROMETRIC CHART  
NORMAL TEMPERATURES  
SI METRIC UNITS  
Barometric Pressure 101.325 kPa  
SEA LEVEL**

