

# Shortcut Distillation

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- Any OS: Linux, Mac OS X or FOSSEE OS on ARM



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- Add material and energy streams and specify their properties



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# Specifications

<b>Compounds</b>	<b>Benzene, Toluene</b>	
<b>Thermodynamics</b>	<b>Raoult's law</b>	
<b>Feed</b>	<b>Flow rate</b> <b>Pressure</b> <b>Mole fractions</b>	<b>100 Kmol/h</b> <b>1 atm</b> <b>Benzene = 0.4</b> <b>Toluene = 0.6</b>
<b>Method</b>	<b>Fenske-Underwood-Gilliland</b>	



# Column Properties

<b>Reflux ratio</b>	<b>1.4 times Minimum Reflux Ratio</b>	
<b>Compound</b>	<b>Light Key (LK) Heavy Key (HK)</b>	<b>Benzene Toluene</b>
<b>Product</b>	<b>Distillate Bottoms</b>	$x_D = 0.99$ $x_B = 0.01$



# Results

Parameter	Value
Minimum reflux ratio	1.655
Minimum number of stages	11
Actual number of stages	20
Optimal feed location	9
Condenser Duty	1129.67 kW
Reboiler Duty	1050.86 kW



# Summary

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# Assignment

<b>Compounds</b>	<b>Ethanol, Water</b>	
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- Gives certificates to those who pass an online test
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- The FOSSEE team coordinates conversion of existing flowsheets
- We give honorarium and certificates for those who do this
- For more details, please visit this site  
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# Lab Migration Project

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