# Naphthalene Hydrogenation with Water-Gas Shift in Model Oil/Water Emulsion Slurry over MoS<sub>2</sub>

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#### Abstract

Catalytic naphthalene hydrogenation to tetralin in water/hydrocarbon emulsions with simultaneous water gas shift as the hydrogen source was performed in a 300 ml batch autoclave as a model for aromatic hydrogenation in water/bitumen emulsions. The catalyst utilized was an unsupported and dispersed type based on molybdenum sulfide Distinguishing the fate of hydrogen from water as opposed to molecular  $(MoS_2)$ . hydrogen in hydrogenation and water gas shift was accomplished by utilizing deuterium oxide  $(D_2O)$  with NMR spectroscopy. The use of  $D_2O$  allowed determination of isotope effects when compared with H<sub>2</sub>O. Diffuse Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Spectroscopy was performed to observe CO adsorption on the MoS<sub>2</sub> sulfide surface. Ruthenium was tested as a potential candidate to enhance the activity of the Mo catalyst. Iron, nickel and vanadium were utilized in combination with molybdenum to test promotional/inhibitive activity during naphthalene hydrogenation and water gas shift since Ni and V are found in significant quantities in real bitumen feed. Finally, a multifactorial experiment was performed to test the hydrogenation and water gas shift activity of a binary VNiMo-sulfide catalyst towards H<sub>2</sub>S partial pressure, temperature and H<sub>2</sub> versus CO atmospheres.

Deuterium from  $D_2O$  was incorporated into both saturated and aromatic hydrogen positions in tetralin products. Calculation of a Hydrogenation Index and Exchange Index indicated the extent of H-exchange is greater than hydrogenation. Exchange between  $D_2O$ and organic products was enhanced with the MoS<sub>2</sub> catalyst under H<sub>2</sub> or CO compared to N<sub>2</sub>. A kinetically measured isotope effect of 1.58 was in agreement with a quasiequilibrium thermodynamic isotope effect for O-H dissociations measured in the literature. A true kinetic isotope effect may be masked by transient surface concentrations occurring under batch conditions. Two strong vibrational bands associated with adsorbed CO were observed over MoS<sub>2</sub> above 160 °C. Activation of the MoS<sub>2</sub> surface with CO produces COS, suggesting an analgous mechanism to the production of H<sub>2</sub>S during reduction in H<sub>2</sub>. In the presence of H<sub>2</sub>S, Ru displayed low catalytic activity for both water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation, attributed to incomplete sulfidation to active RuS<sub>2</sub>. FeMo and VMo exhibited lower hydrogenation activity than Mo, but the water gas shift activity of VMo was high. A ternary VNiMo displayed lower hydrogenation activity than NiMo and Mo but was higher than VMo, implying Ni could offset the inhibition caused by V. Recycle of V and Ni rich asphaltene residues in catalytic slurry upgrading may therefore be feasible. An analysis of the effect of H<sub>2</sub>S pressure, temperature and type of reduction gas (CO vs. H<sub>2</sub>) concluded that temperature had the greatest positive effect on rate, followed by a small interaction effect of temperature/gas type and P<sub>H2S</sub>/gas type. The proximity to equilibrium conversions in WGS limited the analysis, while equilibrium limited the conversion of naphthalene at 380 °C in the batch reactor.

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# Nomenclature

### Latin letters

acac	acetylacetonate $(C_5H_7O_2)^{-1}$
ATTM	ammonium tetrathiomolybdate (NH <sub>4</sub> MoS <sub>4</sub> )
c (prefix)	cis-isomer
C	Concentration (mol/g-liq)
CI	Confidence Interval
D	Deuterium Isotope of Hydrogen ( <sup>2</sup> H)
DBT	Dibenzothiophene ( $C_{12}H_8S$ )
DEC	both isomers of decalin $(C_{10}H_{16})$
df	degrees of freedom
DRIFTS	Diffuse Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Spectroscopy
EDX	Energy Dispersive X-Ray
f	number of factors in an experimental design
F <sub>i,j,1-a</sub>	In the F-test, the ratio of two means or measurements, $\frac{\overline{X_i}}{\overline{Y_j}}$ , where i
	and j are the degrees of freedom associated with each mean and $\alpha$ is the confidence level.
$F_{critical}$	from the F-tables, the value of F that $F_{i,j,\alpha}$ must exceed for $\overline{X}$ and
	$\overline{Y}$ to be considered significantly different.
$^{1}H$	protium isotope of Hydrogen
HDN	Hydrodenitrogenation
HDS	Hydrodesulfurization
HR-TEM	High Resolution Transmission Electron Microscopy
HYD	Hydrogenation
IR	Infrared Spectroscopy
$k_i$	pseudo-first order rate constant of species I (s <sup>-1</sup> )
$k''_i$	pseudo-second order rate constant (g-liq/mol-s)
KIE	Kinetic Isotope Effect
$m_i$	mass of species or sample I (g)
$N_{i,t}$	number of mols of species i at reaction time t
$MS_e$	Mean Square Error (variance)
$MS_i$	Mean Square of the effect of parameter i
NAPH	naphthalene ( $C_{10}H_8$ )
NPT	naphthalene ( $C_{10}H_8$ )
NMR	Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy
$P_{i,t}$	Pressure of species i at reaction time t (psig or Pa)
PMA	Phosphomolybdic Acid ( $H_3PMo_{12}O_{40}$ )
R	Ideal Gas Constant (8.314 Pa-m <sup>3</sup> /mol-K) or
	(0.082061 atm-L/mol-K)
s <sub>2</sub>	standard deviation
s <sup>-</sup> 2	Variation
$s_p$	pooled variance

$SS_i$	Sum of Squares of factor i
t	reaction time (min); trans-isomer (prefix)
Т	temperature (K) or (°C)
TET	tetralin ( $C_{10}H_{12}$ )
TPR	Temperature Programmed Reduction
Volts	Voltage (Volts)
$V_g$	Volume of gas in reactor (ml)
$\tilde{V_l}$	Volume of liquid in reactor (ml)
$V_{SB}$	Volume of sampling bomb (ml)
WGS	Water-gas Shift
XRD	X-ray Diffraction

# Greek Letters

A	level of confidence interval, where percentage of measurements will
	lie between $2s \le \overline{X} \le 2s$
$\Delta$	change in a measurement or calculation
$v_i$	wavenumber; Infrared vibrational absorption of species i (cm <sup>-1</sup> )
χi	Dry basis normalized gas phase composition (mol%)

### **Chapter 1: Background**

#### 1.1 Introduction

Increasing energy demands coupled with a plateau in discovery of new oil reserves has emphasized the need to further develop known hydrocarbon reserves. The Athabasca Oil Sands deposit in northern Alberta has an estimated reserve of 1.7 billion barrels of oil that is second only to Saudi Arabia. Bitumen is extracted from oil sand as,

- 1) Bitumen froth from Surface Mining and Hot Water Extraction
- 2) Bitumen emulsions extracted from in-situ methods such as Cyclic Steam Simulation (CSS)

Both bitumen froth and emulsions have significant amounts of entrained water. The bitumen emulsion must be broken and dewatered before further processing which can be difficult since the emulsions can be very stable. The crude bitumen is a highly viscous product that is high in sulfur, nitrogen, metals and asphaltene content (Table 1.1.1). Upgrading of the bitumen into a light, sweet product that is easier for conventional refineries to process is required.

API Gravity	9.8	
Sulfur (wt%)	6.9	
Density at 25 °C (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	994.3	
Dynamic Viscosity at 0 °C (cP)	> 3 000 000	
Asphaltenes (wt%)	13	
Boiling Point Distribution above 550 °C	65	
(wt%)		
Iron (ppm)	15.2	
Nickel (ppm)	69	
Vanadium (ppm)	190	

Table 1.1. 1: Properties of a Cold Lake Bitumen (Environment Canada)

### 1.2 Residue Upgrading: Hydroprocessing and Hydrotreating

The hydroprocessing of bitumen or heavy oil achieves several goals, including (Speight 2006):

- > reduction of metals, organic sulphur and nitrogen content
- conversion of low value, high boiling Conradson Carbon Residues (CCR) to distillate and naphtha through hydrogen addition
- ➢ increase API gravity and reduce viscosity

Sulphur removal is important as new emissions standards for gasoline and diesel in Canada have been mandated at 80 ppm and 15 ppm placing additional strain on downstream hydrotreaters. An advantage of hydroprocessing over more conventional carbon rejection processes such as delayed coking and fluid coking is the higher yield of liquid products obtained (Rana et al. 2007). For high value fractions such as naphtha and distillate, hydrotreating reduces organosulfur, organonitrogen and aromatics with high yields. The main disadvantage of hydroprocessing is the requirement for expensive  $H_2$ . The requirement for hydrotreating of diesel is dictated by environmental rather than economic factors.

#### 1.3 Catalytic Slurry Phase Upgrading

Supported hydroprocessing catalysts such as Co-Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Ni-Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> in bitumen upgrading applications have mass transfer limitations. Large asphaltene molecules must diffuse into the porous support structure to the active sites for hydrogenation and cracking to occur. Aggregation and condensation of asphaltenes and maltenes can cause coke deposition. The presence of V and Ni impurities in bitumen feed deactivates the catalyst. Catalyst deactivation occurs due to the deposition of vanadium sulfides and nickel sulfides on active molybdenum sulfide particles while deposition of metal sulfides and coke in the pores block access to the active sites.

An alternative is the use of un-supported, dispersed catalysts. These can be homogeneous or slurry catalysts (Rana et al. 2007). A novel slurry catalyst developed by ExxonMobil, known as M-coke, incorporates an active catalytic metal sulfide phase into a hydrocarbonaceous matrix formed from feedstock oil (Bearden 1981). Its purpose is to control coking reactions by hydrogenating hydrocarbon radical species, preventing their oligomerization to asphaltenes and increasing liquid yields from heavy feeds. Conversions of 100+ vol% were achieved in pilot scale operations. Mo displayed the best hydrodesulfurization (HDS) and CCR conversion compared to Ti, Mn, Cr, V and Fe. Phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) was found to give an excellent compromise between effectiveness and cost at catalyst concentrations as low as 100 ppmw of Mo; addition of phosphoric acid for a P:Mo atom ratio of 0.5-3.5 was found to enhance the activity even more (Bearden 1981).

The similarity in size of the catalyst particles compared to asphaltene molecules is believed to allow rapid diffusion of the catalyst into asphaltene aggregates resulting in better reaction rates and conversions. Effective catalysts may be introduced as homogenous precursor solutions into a bitumen/heavy oil feed and are formed in-situ under reaction conditions (Zhang et al. 2007). The (HC)<sub>3</sub> technology developed by Alberta Research Council was compared with a commercial supported catalyst for upgrading performance. Overall bitumen conversion and asphaltene conversion were similar, in comparison to a supported catalyst where asphaltene conversion plateaued as the overall bitumen conversion continued to increase. This indicates mass transfer limitations for the supported catalyst whereas the unsupported catalyst shows no such inhibition (Zhang et al. 2007).

Organic free-radicals formed at high temperatures can agglomerate to form high molecular weight molecules and produce coke. Reducing coke production by preventing free-radical condensation can maximize hydrocarbon yields from bitumen. In hydroprocessing, this is achieved through dissociation of H<sub>2</sub> to form hydrogen radicals at high hydrogen pressure which combine with organic free radicals to prevent their polymeriziation. Alternatively, in the presence of solvent with high H/C ratio, thermolytic dissocation of C-H can form hydrogen radicals which can transfer to substrate radicals. An interesting process developed jointly by UOP, Foster-Wheeler and the Venezuelan
organization Intevep is titled Aquaconversion<sup>TM</sup> (Rana et al. 2007). This visbreaking process aims to reduce the viscosity of heavy oil while reducing coke formation compared to traditional delayed coking technologies. Steam is injected with the heavy oil, and an alkali catalyst is introduced as a metal salt. Marzin et al. suggested the catalyst promotes dissociation of H<sub>2</sub>O to form hydrogen radicals which can add to organic free-radicals and prevent polymerization to ashphaltene (Marzin et al. 1986); however dissociation into H<sup>+</sup> and HO<sup>-</sup> is more likely due to a lack of evidence for radical formation. CO<sub>2</sub> is also formed in the process. The process apparently enjoys mild pressure and temperature conditions which can be adapted to conventional visbreaking units with little difficulty. Table 1.3.1 exhibits properties of a Pilon crude upgraded using Aquaconversion<sup>TM</sup> technology.

Improvement in API Gravity	6	
Reduction in Viscosity at 50 °C (%)	99	
Hydrodesulfurization Conversion (wt%)	17	
Hydrodenitrogenation Conversion (wt%)	20	
Conradson Carbon Conversion (wt%)	15	
C <sub>7</sub> -insoluble Asphaltene Conversion (wt%)	10	
Acidity Reduction (%)	93	

Table 1.3.1: Characteristics of Pilon Crude after Aquaconversion<sup>™</sup> (Marzin et al. 1986)

Use of metal-rich residues from upgrading units could represent an economic alternative to the use of Mo-based catalyst although Ni and V sulfides are not as effective catalysts. Bitumen asphaltenes contain high concentrations of vanadium and nickel (Table 1.3.2). Dunn et al. (Dunn et al. 2003) utilized V and Ni-rich carbonaceous Venturi fines (~12 wt% total metals) and flexicoker ash (~50 wt% total metals) obtained from an ExxonMobil flexicoking unit, to upgrade a simulated Cold Lake bitumen. Sulfidation

with  $H_2S$  at 420 °C significantly increased sulfur incorporation into the solids compared to elemental sulfur at 385 °C, but showed no benefits in hydroconversion (Dunn et al. 2003). The highest API conversion was achieved on a once-through basis, with notable deactivation on subsequent catalyst recycle runs due to coke deposition. Removal of coke via thermal oxidation led to a decrease in catalytic activity caused by sintering and loss of surface area compared to the fresh catalyst. Retention of surface area should accompany removal of carbon deposits in order to preserve catalytic activity of the flexicoker solids (Dunn et al. 2003).

Table 1.3.2: Nickel and Vanadium in Cold Lake Asphaltene (Semple et al. 1990)

Metal Concentration (ppm)		V in Porphyrin concentration
Ni	V	(wt%)
820	320	12

# 1. 4 Coupling of Water-Gas Shift, Hydrodesulfurization (HDS) and Hydrogenation (HYD)

The production of  $H_2$  from CO in synthesis gas (CO/H<sub>2</sub>) to replenish  $H_2$  is one route for hydroprocessing of bitumen emulsions/froths. Use of syngas for bitumen upgrading is feasible since asphaltenes and pitch recovered from the upgraded product can be gasified to produce synthesis gas (Ng 1989; Hook 1986). The primary goal of substituting synthesis gas for pure hydrogen may be economic. However, the most significant cost-savings can be achieved by eliminating the operational and capital requirements for hydrogen purification. Ng and Tsakiri developed a novel bitumen emulsion breaking and upgrading process using in-situ generated H<sub>2</sub> from water gas shift of syngas (Ng 1989). Use of syngas is feasible because molybdenum sulfide can also catalyze the Water-Gas Shift (WGS) reaction to produce hydrogen from CO and H<sub>2</sub>O (Ng 1989; Hou et al. 1983). Moll found that during upgrading of a Cold Lake bitumen emulsion that in-situ generated hydrogen was more active than molecular H<sub>2</sub> in water and produced a higher quality oil product (Moll 1999). In-situ generated hydrogen resulted in increased conversion of pitch to gas oils and distillates. Water was found to significantly inhibit hydrogenation and hydrodesulfurization, while direct desulfurization (hydrogenolysis) in HDS was favoured during model compound (Lee 2004) and bitumen hydrocracking studies (Moll 1999) under in-situ generated hydrogen. Takemura et al. performed HDS of residual oil over sulfided-CoMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> using CO and H<sub>2</sub>O and found catalyst promoted desulfurization but excess water and CO<sub>2</sub> inhibited desulfurization (Takemura et al. 1981).

Siewe and Ng compared desulfurization of a Cold Lake diesel fraction in water using in-situ generated and molecular  $H_2$  (Siewe and Ng 1998). The activity of in-situ versus molecular hydrogen was comparable, but HDS activity in the absence of water was considerably higher (Siewe and Ng 1998).

Hook and Akgermann studied HDS of DBT using in-situ generated hydrogen from water gas shift and concluded in-situ hydrogen was as effective as molecular hydrogen (Hook 1986). Their results indicated the HDS rate of DBT using in-situ generated hydrogen was higher due to nascent hydrogen on the catalyst surface.

Lee and Ng used DBT in toluene/water as a model system for diesel and found that water inhibits HDS but blocks the hydrogenation pathway more than hydrogenolysis (Lee 2006). At an optimal  $H_2O:CO$  ratio of 1.35, in-situ generated hydrogen was better than molecular  $H_2$  in the HDS of DBT. In the HDS of DBT over unsupported, dispersed  $MoS_2$ , the direct desulfurization pathway was favoured with in-situ generated hydrogen (Liu et al. 2007).

Abusaido conducted naphthalene hydrogenation under  $CO/H_2O/H_2S$  over unsupported, dispersed MoS<sub>2</sub> prepared from PMA (Abusaido 1999) while similar studies over NiMo from NiSO<sub>4</sub> and PMA were performed by Zhang (Zhang 2005). In-situ generated hydrogen was more active for Mo sulfides while over a NiMo catalyst in-situ and molecular H<sub>2</sub> activity was comparable (Abusaido 1999; Zhang 2005).

Isotopic labeling has been utilized to determine hydrogen incorporation from  $D_2O$ . Incorporation of isotopic hydrogen from  $H_2O$  during phenanthrene hydrogenation and dibenzothiophene (DBT) HDS under synthesis gas (CO:H<sub>2</sub>O ratio from 0 to 1) was studied by Fu et al. over sulfided NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Fu et al. 1995). Fu et al. observed deuterium incorporation in HDS products and identified an isotopic mixture (HD,  $D_2$ ,  $H_2$ ) in the gas phase (Fu et al. 1995). Phenanthrene conversion under syngas was only slightly lower than for H<sub>2</sub>. The hydrogenation sequence of phenanthrene, determined by evaluation of hydrogenated intermediates via GC, was similar whether performed under syngas or H<sub>2</sub>. The water-gas shift rate was faster than hydrogenation and HDS, so WGS could replenish H<sub>2</sub> for hydrogenation (Fu et al. 1995).

Liu et al. hydrogenated diesel under supercritical  $D_2O/CO/H_2$  at 400 °C using ATTM as catalyst (Liu et al. 2006). The product distribution was analyzed by deuterium Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (D-NMR) to determine deuterium incorporation from water. Deuterium was incorporated into alkyl, benzyl and aromatic species. Incorporation into saturated alkyls was suggested to be due to HDS of mercaptans and aromatic ring saturation. Deuterium incorporation into alkyl, benzyl and aromatic species correlated with the diesel fraction, ie. naphtha contained significant deuterated-alkyls while heavy arenes displayed little deuterated-alkyls but more deuterated-aromatics. Using supercritical water-syngas for upgrading diesel yielded a higher quality product with less sulfur (Liu et al. 2006, 1283-1289).

# 1.5 Improving the activity of catalysts for simultaneous water-gas shift and hydrogenation

The difference in activity while using in-situ generated hydrogen versus molecular hydrogen has been attributed to nascent hydrogen produced via the WGS. Study of the relative kinetics between nascent hydride hydrogenation (from H<sub>2</sub>O) and molecularly dissociated hydrogen (from H<sub>2</sub>) may give important insight into the surface mechanisms on the catalyst. Coupling of hydrogenation to water gas shift should result in interaction between adsorption of different molecules. The activation of catalyst under CO and observation of surface species during water gas shift may allow elucidation of important mechanistic steps.

One route to improve hydrogenation would be to utilize metal species with good hydrogenation characteristics as substitutes for  $MoS_2$  or in conjunction with  $MoS_2$  as promoters. One of the main detriments to hydrogenation in emulsions is that water tends to inhibit hydrogenation. Therefore, a metal with good resistance to inhibition from water would be an ideal candidate. A high activity for WGS is also desired if the metal was to substitute for  $MoS_2$ . Rhodium and ruthenium metal on activated carbon have been shown to have good aromatic hydrogenation activity in water, more so than other noble metals such as Pt and Pd (Maegawa et al. 2006). Of particular interest is Ru since ruthenium sulfides have been shown to be very active for hydrodesulfurizaion and aromatic hydrogenation (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008). Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> is active for WGS under alkaline conditions in toluene/water emulsions and catalyzes WGS in acidic solutions (Ng 1992; Fachinetti et al. 1996; Payne et al. 1991; Ng 1993). Ru has also been extensively studied as a high temperature steam reforming catalyst for hydrogen production from a variety of substrates including biomass (Osada et al. 2008). If Ru can significantly enhance the hydrogenation of aromatics in the presence of water over MoS<sub>2</sub> this may compensate for the inhibition by water.

Ru is very expensive compared to Mo and Ni and therefore any commercial process utilizing Ru as a catalyst would require an efficient catalyst separation and recycle process to completely recover the spent Ru. For commercial utilization, economics dictates the use of a cheaper metal. Nickel sulfided with molybdenum has good hydrogenation ability and is utilized extensively in hydrotreating. Certain forms of vanadium sulfides display good hydrogenation activity (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008; Hubaut 2007). Both vanadium and nickel are found in substantial amounts in bitumen. If both vanadium and nickel could be incorporated into unsupported, dispersed MoS<sub>2</sub> to provide a positive catalytic synergy this would reduce the amount of molybdenum required for a slurry hydroprocessing process. In a slurry-based process, the metal-rich upgrading residue can be sent to a gasification unit where the coke and organic-matrix are gasified to CO, CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>. The resulting gasification solid would contain residual metal

oxides such as Mo, Ni and V which may be recycled into the upgrading process with  $H_2S$  to form catalytic metal sulfides.

Iron is an extremely cheap metal and has been utilized in the CANMET upgrading process at PetroCanada's Montreal refinery (Zhang et al. 2007). The disadvantage with iron is that activity is low compared to molybdenum and nickel and high metal dosages are required.

## 1.6 Objective

Understanding the mechanism of in-situ hydrogenation may help in developing active catalysts. Isotopic labeling of water may yield a direct comparison between molecular  $H_2$  and in-situ generated hydrogenation with CO/D<sub>2</sub>O. The use of CO to probe the catalyst surface at reaction temperatures can be followed using Diffuse Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy.

In order to increase the hydrogenation activity using in-situ generated H<sub>2</sub>, promoters such as Ru will be used. The effect of Fe and V on unsupported, dispersed Mo and NiMo sulfides will be studied since these metals are found in significant concentrations in bitumen. If Ni and V are effective, the use of residue containing Ni, V and spent Mo catalyst may be feasible for hydroprocessing of bitumen emulsions.

The objectives of this study are to:

 Probe catalyst characteristics under reaction temperatures using DRIFTS, kinetic and isotope studies

- ii) Determine effects of Ru, Fe, V on sulfided-Mo and NiMo unsupported,
  dispersed catalysts in water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation in
  toluene/water emulsions
- iii) Determine parameter effects of temperature, P<sub>H2S</sub> and P<sub>CO</sub> versus P<sub>H2</sub> on the water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation over the sulfided-VNiMo unsupported, dispersed catalysts in toluene/water emulsions.

# **Chapter 2: Literature Review**

## 2.1 Aromatics Hydrogenation

Organic sulfur-containing and nitrogen-containing compounds, and aromatics in diesel and gasoline fractions have significant environmental impacts. While sulfur-containing and nitrogen-containing compounds contribute to acid rain and smog, aromatics can increase the emission of particulates in exhaust (Hochhauser 2008). In several regions such as Europe and California, aromatics content in gasoline and diesel fuels is regulated in order to reduce the emissions of particulate matter (Table 2.1.1) (Hochhauser 2008). High levels of aromatics are found in gas oils and distillates (Table 2.1.2).

Year	2006 (Canada)	2006 (California) (California Air Resources Board , 2009)	2009 (Europe) (Hochhauser 2008)
Sulfur, max (ppm)	15	15	10
Polynuclear		1.4	11
Aromatics (wt%)			

Table 2.1. 1: Diesel Specifications

Hydrodearomatization (HDA), or removal of aromatics is accomplished via hydrogenation of the aromatic rings. Aromatic hydrogenation also plays a vital role in other processes. It is believed that in deep hydrodesulfurization and hydrodenitrogenation, partial hydrogenation of the aromatic rings facilitates the cleavage of C-S and C-N bonds to liberate H<sub>2</sub>S and NH<sub>3</sub> respectively (Ho 2004). Aromatics hydrogenation can also enhance hydrocracking through intermediate production of saturated polycyclic hydrocarbons, which can undergo ring cleavage over metal and acid catalysts (McVicker et al. 2002). Hydrogenation of polynuclear aromatics to mononuclear aromatics can enhance diesel quality while reducing particulate emissions.

Property	Heavy FCC	Light Coker	Light	Light Cycle	Heavy
	Gasoline	Gasoil	atmospheric	Oil	Atmospheric
			Gasoil		Gasoil
IBP (°C)	195	259	289	291	322
Specific	0.84	0.861	0.846	0.997	0.864
Gravity, 15					
°C					
Aromatics					
(vol %)					
Mono	38.8	16.3	16.5	8.2	22.5
Di	5.5	16.4	7.0	69.8	8.5
Tri	0.5	8.0	0.1	4.0	0.7
Total	44.8	40.7	23.6	82.0	31.7

Table 2.1. 2: Aromatics Distribution in Distillation Fractions (Cooper 1996)

Sapre and Gates reported mononuclear aromatics such as benzene and benzene derivatives are the most difficult species to hydrogenate (Sapre and Gates 1981). The hydrogenation rate for naphthalene conversion to tetralin is an order of magnitude larger than for tetralin hydrogenation to decalins; a similar trend is observed for benzene to

cyclohexane (Sapre and Gates1981). Ho found that hydrogenation of tetralin was twice as fast as hydrogenation of m-xylene over sulfided-NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Ho 1994).

## 2.1. 1 Reaction Mechanism

The hydrogenation of naphthalene is a multi-step reaction, where tetralin is formed from naphthalene; tetralin can subsequently be hydrogenated to cis and trans-decalin (Scheme 2.1.1.1). The initial hydrogenation to tetralin is the fastest step. The second hydrogenation to decalins is also fast over noble metal catalysts but is much slower over molybdenum sulfides, where trans-decalin was the major product (Sapre and Gates 1981). Although naphthalene hydrogenation is equilibrium limited at higher temperatues,



Scheme 2.1.1. 1: Hydrogenation of Naphthalene

over a CoMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst, the thermodynamic equilibrium is not reached until approximately 400  $^{\circ}$ C and can be coerced through higher H<sub>2</sub> pressure (Sapre and Gates 1981).

Hydrogenation over homogeneous metal complexes and heterogeneous reducedmetal catalysts occurs via metal-hydride species (Cotton 1988). Formation of metal hydrides under H<sub>2</sub> is followed by  $\pi$ -adsorption of aromatics to adjacent active sites; insertion of hydride into the aromatic species occurs followed by reductive elimination of the hydrogenated product. Coordinatively unsaturated sites (CUS) or vacancies are formed by product desorption allowing the catalytic cycle to continue (Cotton 1988).

When  $MoS_2$  is treated under  $H_2$ , sulfur vacancies are formed liberating gaseous  $H_2S$  (Jacobsen et al. 1999). Coordination of heteroaromatic and aromatic substrates to these vacancies is believed to be essential for catalytic activity of  $MoS_2$ . Jacobsen et al. performed TPR studies of various metal sulfide catalysts presulfided in  $H_2/H_2S$ , and suggested that the surface sulfidation/reduction reaction (Jacobsen et al. 1999)

$$*S + H_2 \Leftrightarrow H_2S + *$$

was a reversible equilibrium, where \* are surface vacancies.  $H_2S$  inhibits hydrodesulfurization by driving the equilibrium towards surface sulfur and  $H_2$  reducing the number of vacant active sites. S-H surface groups have been identified at 2640 and 2500 cm<sup>-1</sup> using FT-IR after exposure of MoS<sub>2</sub> to  $H_2$  (Ratnasamy 1970).

Fundamental studies suggest that hydrogenation may also occur through formation of reactive S-H edge species. Lauritsen et al. studied triangular MoS<sub>2</sub> nanoclusters on Au

support by Surface Tunneling Microscopy (Lauritsen et al. 2004). They observed the existence of a metallic brim site near the edge of clusters composed of reactive S edge with metallic character. Treatment of the clusters with atomic H resulted in slight changes to edge sites adjacent to the brim which was interpreted as formation of S-H edge species. Adsorption of thiophene to the brim with subsequent hydrogenation of the thiophene ring occurring via the S-H edge was inferred from STM images of H-treated MoS<sub>2</sub> clusters exposed to thiophene. The STM images also suggested some thiophene could be coordinated end-on through sulfur to edge site sulfur vacancies. End-on coordination of thiophene to sulfur vacancies on the edge was proposed to occur after adsorption of thiophene on the brim site and removal of edge sulfur (Lauritsen et al. 2004). End-on coordination of aromatic sulfur species is considered a crucial step in HDS via hydrogenolysis.

For in-situ HDS and HYD of emulsions where water gas shift occurs, the system becomes complex due to adsorption of CO onto sulfur vacancies. Infrared (IR) adsorption studies of CO at low temperatures (100 K) onto metal sulfides reduced in  $H_2/H_2S$  have revealed relevant information about the vacant active sites on supported and unsupported HDS catalysts (Mauge 1992; Muller et al. 1993; Travert et al. 2001). DRIFTS experiments of CO hydrogenation to methane and alcohols on sulfided-Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> indicated that CO adsorption to Mo vacancies occurs under reaction conditions(Koizumi et al. 2004). Theoretical calculations performed for ideal molybdenum sulfide clusters in CO hydrogenation suggest that formation of sulfur vacancies in the presence of CO is energetically favourable compared to  $H_2$ -only atmospheres (Zeng et al. 2005a; Zeng et al. 2005b; Zeng et al. 2005c).

# 2.1. 2 Hydrodesulfurization (HDS)

Hydrodesulfurization (HDS) is another reaction of importance in hydroprocessing (Scheme 2.1.2.1). In addition to a hydrogenation pathway, in HDS a hydrogenolysis pathway is also operative where the C-S bonds are cleaved directly before any hydrogenation of aromatic rings. In hydrogenative HDS, initial hydrogenation of the aromatic ring is a key step.



Scheme 2.1.2. 1: Hydrodesulfurization of Dibenzothiophene

#### 2.1. 3 Hydrocracking and Asphaltene reduction

A brief mention of hydrocracking is warranted although this study does not specifically address this topic. The formation of asphaltene residue is believed to begin when thermal cleavage of C-C bonds form free-radical species which polymerize into larger aggregate asphaltenes. The formation of asphaltene aggregates is prevalent under low pressure, high temperature conditions such as those found in delayed and fluid cokers. Appreciable portions of the heavy oil feed are lost as coke compared to hydrocracking processes.

Hydrocracking results in much less asphaltene production since in the presence of catalyst under high hydrogen pressures, addition of dissociated  $H_2$  can prevent polymerization into asphaltenes/coke. Although hydrocracking operates at lower temperatures, there is a trade-off since high hydrogen pressures are required. The high hydrogen pressures involved in hydrocracking can also promote ring opening of hydroaromatics and lighter alkanes leading to high gas production (Vernon 1980). The catalyst may be rapidly deactivated by the heavy hydrocarbon feed is also a disadvantage. However, a higher conversion of feed into a better quality product is achievable with hydrocracking than with thermal coking.

Although hydrocracking is an effective method of reducing coke yields, inhibition of free-radical polymerization can also be achieved by H-atom transfer from so-called donor solvents. Donor solvents, for example tetralin, have a higher H/C ratio than the coal or heavy oil substrates. Other processes have utilized gases such as methane or water as H-atom donors (*vide supra*).

# 2. 2 Catalysts for Aromatics Hydrogenation

Aromatics hydrogenation is exothermic and equilibrium limited at higher temperatures. The best catalysts for aromatics hydrogenation are noble metals such as Pt, Pd, Rh and Ru. These are typically supported on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> or activated carbon and give excellent hydrogenation activity when reduced. Hydrogenation is close to zero-order in the reactant hydrocarbon due to strong adsorption of aromatic species on the noble metal sites (Cooper 1996). Noble metals also show good hydrogenation activity in water. Maegawa et al. studied Ru/C and Rh/C for the hydrogenation of mononuclear aromatics in water at low temperatures(Maegawa et al. 2006). Greater than 50% hydrogenation conversion was achieved for various alkyl and heteromononuclear aromatics using Ru/C, Pt/C and Rh/C at 60 °C in water for 3 hours. Although mixed Pd/Pt catalysts show improved resistance to sulfur deactivation, the main difficulty with using noble metal catalysts in petroleum and fuel processing is their extreme sensitivity towards poisoning by sulfur compounds.

Metal sulfides also catalyze aromatic hydrogenation but are not as active as noble metal catalysts. The kinetics are approximately first-order in both hydrogen and reactant hydrocarbon (Cooper 1996). Because metal sulfides require higher temperatures in order to achieve satisfactory reaction rates, aromatics conversion with metal sulfides will always be lower due to the smaller equilibrium values at higher temperatures. This can be overcome through use of higher H<sub>2</sub> pressures albeit at a cost penalty. CoMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is utilized commercially for HDS, while for processes requiring high hydrogenation activity with reasonable cost NiMoS<sub>2</sub>/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is utilized. Currently, the NEBULA type of unsupported catalysts which was jointly commercialized by ExxonMobil and Albemarle, achieves significant improvements over earlier catalysts in deep HDS for distillate and diesel fuels (Kerby et al. 2005; Eijsbouts et al. 2007). Good aromatics hydrogenation ability is thought to be partially responsible for the excellent activity of NEBULA in deep hydrodesulfurization and hydrodenitrogenation (Kerby et al. 2005; Eijsbouts et al. 2007).

Pecoraro and Chianelli studied various bulk transition metal sulfides for hydrodesulfurization of dibenzothiophene and found that the Group VIII metal sulfides (RuS<sub>2</sub> and OsS<sub>2</sub>) give the highest specific HDS activity (Pecoraro 1981). Mo and W sulfides displayed lower activity than Ru and Os but were highest among non-noble metals (Pecoraro 1981). First-row transition metals such as V and Fe were found to have low HDS activity. Lacroix et al. (Lacroix et al. 1989) studied biphenyl hydrogenation over several metal sulfides and reported that while RuS<sub>2</sub> had the highest specific activity, the specific activity of  $V_2S_3$  was higher than that for MoS<sub>2</sub>. They attributed this to preparation of the sulfide from thiovanadate under carefully controlled conditions to form an active  $V_2S_3$ , where contact with air was avoided since V is easily oxidized. Certain forms of bulk vanadium sulfides have been suggested to be very active hydrogenation catalysts (Lacroix et al. 1992; Hubaut 2007; Lacroix et al. 1989).

Regardless, under commercial operation with heavy oils and residues present coke and metals deposition deactivate hydroprocessing catalysts. Studies on metals deposition concluded vanadium sulfide deposits deactivated a commercial catalyst for HYD and HDS, while deposits of nickel sulfide did not severely affect the hydrogenation rate (Kim 1993; Yumoto et al. 1996). In HDS, vanadium deposits deactivated the hydrogenation pathway more than than hydrogenolysis. Yumoto et al. also observed an increase in the cracking activity with increasing vanadium content which was ascribed to the acidity of vanadium sulfides (Yumoto et al. 1996). In model studies, Kim and Massoth sulfided a supported NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst with both a vanadium salt and vanadium tetraphenylporphyrin (V-TPP), similar to the organo-vanadium species found in heavy oils (Semple et al. 1990). The V salt deactivated the catalyst more than did V-TPP.

Ruthenium sulfides present the highest activity of all transition metal sulfides for hydrodesulfurization due to the relatively weak Ru-S bond energy (Pecoraro 1981). Although ruthenium is prohibitively expensive to be used commercially as a single-pass slurry catalyst for bitumen upgrading, with efficient catalyst recycle it could be used as a promoter with MoS<sub>2</sub>. Furthermore, study of RuS<sub>2</sub> could provide fundamental insight on surface structure interplay between water gas shift, HDS and hydrogenation. Castillo-Villalon et al. characterized supported ruthenium sulfide (sulfided in H<sub>2</sub>S/N<sub>2</sub> at 873 K) on proton and alkaline-cation exchanged BEA zeolites (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008). Thiophene HDS activity increased with the Bronsted acidity of the catalysts, as did coke production. A remote effect on acidic sites from alkaline cations was proposed to be responsible for improved HDS behaviour. From Temperature Programmed Reduction (TPR), the atomic ratio of S/Ru was estimated at 1.5 possibly due to partial reduction of Ru in the zeolite which suggests these catalysts may suit hydrogenation rather than hydrodesulfurization (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008).

Breysse et al. prepared supported RuS<sub>2</sub> using ion exchange with HY, KY, dealuminated HY (HYd) and dealuminated KHY (KHY-d) zeolites of varying acidity (Breysse et al. 1997). Sulfidation was performed in 15% H<sub>2</sub>S/H<sub>2</sub> at 673 K for 4 hours. Low temperature CO adsorption observed via IR spectroscopy and isooctane hydrocracking were used as acidity tests. The hydrogenation rate of tetralin to decalins and toluene to methylcyclohexane was compared over the various supports at 300 °C, 4.5 MPa of  $H_2$  and 2 %  $H_2S$ . For both hydrogenations, an increase in support acidity increased catalytic activity in the order,

$$RuHYd > RuKHYd > RuHY >> RuKY \sim NiMo/Al_2O_3$$

Electron microscopy revealed that well dispersed  $RuS_2$  particles were in close proximity to acidic zeolite sites.

Mitchell et al. studied sulfided-Ru/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and RuMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalysts in thiophene HDS. Calcination of RuMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> before sulfidation deactivated catalyst compared to individual Ru and Mo catalysts (Mitchell et al. 1987). However, with no calcination RuMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> displayed a synergistic effect in thiophene HDS, attributed to the absence of Ru-O-Mo bonds formed during calcination. Both calcined and uncalcined catalysts promoted the hydrogenation function in HDS.

Fe has been studied in coal liquefaction and residue upgrading since it is cheap. However, FeS<sub>2</sub> has a much lower activity for HDS and HYD compared with MoS<sub>2</sub> and therefore requires higher concentrations as catalyst. Commercial applications include the CANMET Process utilizing FeSO<sub>4</sub> for visbreaking of heavy oil and residue. It is occasionally used when economic conditions warrant at PetroCanada's Montreal refinery and achieves satisfactory removal of sulfur and nitrogen (Zhang et al. 2007).

Abusaido studied naphthalene hydrogenation on unsupported, dispersed  $MoS_2$  and found that phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) had the best activity for *in-situ* naphthalene hydrogenation via water gas shift (Abusaido 1999). Zhang studied the in-situ hydrogenation of naphthalene via water gas shift using dispersed, unsupported NiMo sulfide which achieved the highest conversion to tetralin compared to cobalt, palladium and unpromoted  $MoS_2$  (Zhang 2005). The presence of organic N-containing compounds, but not S-containing organics, significantly inhibited the hydrogenation activity while at lower water concentrations the hydrogenation activity improved substantially.

## 2.3 Water Gas Shift Reaction

The Water Gas Shift reaction is utilized in steam reforming, ammonia manufacture and Fischer-Tropsch synthesis to vary the CO:H<sub>2</sub> ratio,

$$CO_{(g)} + H_2O_{(g)} = CO_{2(g)} + H_{2(g)}$$
  
 $\Delta H^0_{298} = -41.2 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ 

The water gas shift is important since it produces active in-situ hydrogen necessary for hydrogenation.

#### 2.3. 1 Water Gas Shift Mechanism

Two mechanisms have been proposed for the water gas shift reaction over supported transition metal catalysts. The redox mechanism involves dissociation of water to form adsorbed oxygen and molecular or atomic H on surface sites (\*), where the metal centre

shuttles between an oxidized and reduced state to dissociate  $H_2O$  and form  $CO_2$  and  $H_2$ (Chinchen and Spencer 1988; Bunluesin et al. 1998).

$* + CO \rightarrow CO*$	(2.3.1-1)
* +H <sub>2</sub> O $\rightarrow$ H <sub>2</sub> O*	(2.3.1-2)
$\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O}^{*}  \mathrm{OH}^{*} + \mathrm{H}^{*}$	(2.3.1-3)
$\mathrm{OH}^* \xrightarrow{} \mathrm{O}^* + \mathrm{H}^*$	(2.3.1-4)
$CO^* + O^* \rightarrow CO_2^*$	(2.3.1-5)
$\mathrm{H}^* + \mathrm{H}^* \xrightarrow{} \mathrm{H}_2^*$	(2.3.1-6)
$H_2* \rightarrow H_2 + *$	(2.3.1-7)
$CO_2^* \rightarrow CO_2 + *$	(2.3.1-8)

The second mechanism proposed is the Associative Mechanism which occurs through a formate-type intermediate after dissociation of  $H_2O$  into surface \*OH and \*H (Chinchen 1988; Bunluesin et al. 1998). Insertion of dissociated surface water to \*OH occurs, followed by \*OH insertion into adsorbed CO followed by rearrangement to  $HCO_2^-$ ; cleavage of C-H releases  $CO_2$  and  $H_2$ .

WGS occurs under acid, neutral and alkaline conditions. Studies of the WGS using homogeneous catalysts have elucidated proposed mechanistic pathways under alkaline, neutral and acidic conditions (Laine 1988). Under neutral conditions, adsorption of CO to a low oxidation state metal centre results in back-donation of electrons from metal d-orbitals to CO anti-bonding orbitals. The activated CO is susceptible to nucleophilic attack by  $^{-}$ OH coordinated to the metal or stabilized by an alkaline environment. Under acidic conditions, electropositive coordinated CO can react with water to form formic acids or formates which can decompose to CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>. Decomposition of formate may occur through metal hydrides, where either reductive elimination of two hydride ligands or reaction of hydride to abstract a proton from water can produce H<sub>2</sub> (Laine 1988).

Due to the heterogeneity of supported metal surfaces, mechanistic studies over supported catalysts are more complex. Gines et al. studied kinetics of the reverse water gas shift (RWGS) over CuO/ZnO/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and observed evidence that a regenerative mechanism was active whereby active sites are successively oxidized by H<sub>2</sub>O and reduced by H<sub>2</sub>(Gines et al. 1997). They also found that at high initial  $P_{H2}/P_{CO2}$  (large surface coverage of H<sub>2</sub>) CO<sub>2</sub> dissociation was rate limiting. As  $P_{H2}/P_{CO2}$  decreased, surface reconstruction occurred where the RWGS rate was positive order in  $P_{H2}$  and both CO<sub>2</sub> dissociation and water formation determined the overall reaction rate (Gines et al. 1997). This highlights the complexity of the reaction network over heterogeneous catalysts.

#### 2.3. 2 Water Gas Shift Catalysts

Two commercial types of catalysts used are high temperature shift catalysts (HTS), typically magnetite  $Fe_3O_4/Cr_2O_3$  and CuO/ZnO low temperature shift catalysts (LTS). HTS catalysts operate in the temperature range of 320-400 °C and are slightly tolerant towards sulfur compounds in the synthesis gas. Copper LTS catalysts have the advantage of high activity at lower temperatures (200 - 250 °C) which enhances equilibrium conversion, but are poisoned even by slight amounts of sulfur compounds. Sulfur tolerant water gas shift catalysts are sought after since they can process CO/H<sub>2</sub> streams from gasifiers reforming "dirty" feeds such as coal or petroleum residues. Insensitivity towards sulfur is necessary for catalysis of WGS under hydrotreating conditions. Removal of sulfur compounds can be accomplished downstream for processes requiring low or no sulfur.

Yu et al. gasified an Fe-impregnated Victorian Brown Coal under steam and utilized the product char for WGS (Yu et al. 2007). They observed that the conversion of char affected catalyst activity due to agglomeration of active Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> particles. A char conversion of 35 wt% was found to be optimal and suggests that gasification char impregnated with metal can form active catalysts for WGS; gasification of carbonaceous residue produces catalytically active char in addition to CO and H<sub>2</sub> which can be utilized in bitumen or diesel upgrading (Siewe 1998; Fu et al. 1995; Yu et al. 2007).

 $MoS_2$  and  $NiMoS_2$  are known to catalyze the WGS in the presence of feeds containing sulfur compounds. The presence of sulfur is required in the feed since pure  $MoO_3$  does not show any significant activity toward WGS (Hou et al. 1983). Exchange of surface sulfur with oxygen from water to form an oxidized Mo centre is thought to initiate the catalytic process.

From kinetic data Hou et al. suggested a redox cycle involving  $Mo^{4+}$  and  $Mo^{5+}$  centres for water gas shift (Scheme 2.3.1.1) and reported that the presence of H<sub>2</sub>S was required to maintain catalytic activity for conversion of CO and H<sub>2</sub>O (Hou et al. 1983).



Scheme 2.3.1.1: Proposed Water Gas Shift Mechanism

Lund (Lund 1996) developed a qualitative microkinetic model of WGS over sulfided Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst and proposed its lack of quantitative agreement with experimental studies (Hou et al. 1983) highlighted the interplay between H<sub>2</sub>O, H<sub>2</sub>S and surface structure on activity.

 $MoS_2$  differs from traditional WGS catalysts in that dynamic exchange of surface sulfur and oxygen is necessary to maintain activity (Hou et al. 1983). WGS on supported transition-metal/oxides is believed to begin when CO adsorbs to the transition metal active centres. Various side or main reactions may also occur on the oxide support. On metal sulfides, sulfur vacancies can form through which gas phase CO can access Mo active sites and then possibly react with adjacent hydroxyl species, forming either carboxylic, formate or carbonate surface species. The key step here is then formation of sulfur vacancies in  $MoS_2$  under CO with adsorption of CO to Mo.

Heterogeneous and homogeneous ruthenium species catalyze reactions such as water gas shift and hydrogenation of aromatics in water (Maegawa et al. 2006; Ng 1992; Fachinetti et al. 1996; Payne et al. 1991; Monteiro-Gezork et al. 2008). Ng and Tsakiri studied HDS of DBT and WGS in toluene/water emulsions using  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ ,  $Mo(CO)_6$  and  $W(CO)_6$  and found ruthenium carbonyl to be 20 times more active for water gas shift than Mo or W but with much lower HDS activity (Ng 1992). The catalysts were not sulfided prior to reaction. Exchange between O and S on  $RuS_xO_y$  should be facilitated if the metal-oxygen and metal-sulfur bonds strengths are weak enough to allow for exchange, such as on  $MoS_xO_y$  (Hou et al. 1983). Since the Ru-S bond strength is weak (Pecoraro 1981), whether or not  $RuS_2$  exhibits high activity for WGS may depend upon the relative strength of the Ru-O bond in ruthenium oxysulfides.

# **Chapter 3: Experimental**

# 3.1 Experimental Setup

Experiments were conducted on an Autoclave Engineers 300 ml HC-276 Bolted Closure Batch Autoclave. The experimental set-up is shown in Figure 3.1.1. The inside diameter



Figure 3.1. 1: Experimental Setup of Autoclave Engineers 300 ml HC-276 Bolted Closure Autoclave and Sampling System

of the vessel is 1.5 inches. The reactor is equipped with a rupture disc designed to burst at 4941 psig and prevent overpressure. Originally the autoclave was equipped with a gas inlet, gas sparger tube, gas vent and a liquid sampling tube. However, due to residual catalyst penetrating the sparger tube and the difficulty of cleaning, the sparger tube was removed and the inlet plugged with a SS 316 plug and gland. Reactor internals also include a baffle, cooling coil (air coolant) and thermowell. Additional parts not installed include a liquid sampling tube with filter; however, because catalyst sulfidation requires formation of solids from the homogeneous precursor, the filter clogs regularly and was replaced with an open-bore sampling tube. Molybdenum sulfide can be cleaned from the liquid sample tube filter with the use of dilute hydrogen peroxide to oxidize MoS<sub>2</sub> to molybdic acid and water. An estimate of the reactor volume was made by filling the reactor with water and measuring the mass collected; the actual estimated working volume is 257 ml. The autoclave is equipped with a Magnedrive stirrer which eliminates traditional problems with rotating seals. However, the Magnedrive should be periodically disassembled and cleaned to ensure residual catalyst and reactants do not deposit on the Magnedrive bearings. Autoclave instrumentation includes a temperature controller with alarms for over-temperature and over-pressure. Two thermocouples provide the furnace and thermowell temperatures; both temperatures and the pressure transducer have alarm set-points that can be programmed on the temperature controller. The pressure transducer is connected to the controller and the Data Acquisition System (Appendix F).

The sampling system allows sample collection from the reactor lower phase. All valves and lines from the reactor to valve 1 and valve 12 are Hastelloy-C 276 medium pressure Autoclave Engineers fittings. Valves 2, 3, 4, 5 and 13, 14, 15, 16 have HC-276

Autoclave Engineers Speedbite fittings. All fittings downstream of valve 5 on the liquid line and valve 16 on the gas line are Swagelok SS316 compression fittings.

The volume of the liquid sampling system was estimated from the ideal gas law by pressurizing the reactor and then opening the sample valve to allow gas to expand inside the sample volume. The estimated volume is 156 ml. Both liquid and gas sample systems are equipped with pressure indicators and proportional relief valves designed to open at 85 psig. The liquid system is equipped with a pressure transducer (Omega) with a range from -14.7 to 85 psig. If necessary the gas sample system can be similarly fitted. The pressure transducer is connected to the Data Acquisition System (DAQ) run from the computer in DWE 1521B. A thermocouple inserted via septum into the 150 ml Liquid Sample Expansion bomb measures the sample temperature.

### 3.2 Catalyst Preparation

#### 3.2. 1 Reagents

Naphthalene (99+ %, Sigma-Aldrich), n-octane (98+ %, Alfa Aesar), toluene (Omnisolve), Formic Acid (97% Sigma-Aldrich) and deuterium oxide (99.9%, Cambridge Isotopes) were used as received. H<sub>2</sub>S (Praxair), CO (2.5 Grade, Praxair), H<sub>2</sub> (4.5 Grade, Praxair), 50 % CO/H<sub>2</sub> (Linde, Standard) and N<sub>2</sub> (4.8 Grade, Praxair) cylinders supplied gas to the reactor through a common manifold. Phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) hydrate (ACS, Sigma-Aldrich), NiSO<sub>4</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (Sigma-Aldrich), VO(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (99% Strem

Chemicals) and FeSO<sub>4</sub> (Sigma-Aldrich) were used as received. De-ionized water produced via ion exchange was provided by the Department of Chemical Engineering.

## 3.2. 2 Deuterium Labeling Studies

For consistency in catalyst preparation between deuterium oxide (D<sub>2</sub>O) and H<sub>2</sub>O, 3 g of PMA hydrate was stirred in approximately 25 ml of D<sub>2</sub>O or H<sub>2</sub>O for 4 hours (to exchange PMA protons with deuterium) and water subsequently evaporated overnight at 80 °C. This procedure was repeated three times and the final dry, deuterium exchanged PMA was dissolved in 50 ml of D<sub>2</sub>O (H<sub>2</sub>O) and diluted in 100 ml volumetric flasks. Atomic absorption (Perkin Elmer AAS 3100) was used to quantify Mo content for both D<sub>2</sub>O and H<sub>2</sub>O catalyst solutions. Kinetic experiments consisted of charging the 300 ml Autoclave Engineers batch autoclave (HC-276) with 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O or D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml of n-octane, 5.0 wt% (3.7 g) of naphthalene and appropriate volumes of PMA solution to make 500 ppmw Mo with respect to total organics.

Six samples per experiment were collected using a high pressure sampling system which allowed separation of a gas and liquid sample. For <sup>1</sup>H quantification, collected liquid samples were dissolved in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (99.9% Cambridge Isotopes) as an NMR lock solvent and analyzed by <sup>1</sup>H-NMR in n-octane and quantified by <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (verified by H<sup>2</sup>-NMR). Overall liquid organic concentrations were then determined by GC-FID.

#### 3.2. 3 Preparation of $MoS_2$ from PMA for DRIFTS

 $MoS_2$  was prepared from an aqueous solution of phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) under CO/H<sub>2</sub>S in a toluene/water emulsion at 340 °C. 4.09 g of PMA hydrate (ACS, Sigma-Aldrich), 25 ml of de-ionized H<sub>2</sub>O and 100 ml of toluene were charged to a 300 ml batch autoclave (working volume 257 ml, Autoclave Engineers). 180 psi of H<sub>2</sub>S was charged sequentially with stirring in order to absorb H<sub>2</sub>S into solution. After the final H<sub>2</sub>S charge, the pressure was 104 psig. CO was then charged for a total pressure of 600 psig. The reactor was heated at 4.1 °C/min until the target of 340 °C was reached and the temperature maintained for 2 hours. After 2 hours the reaction was stopped and allowed to cool to room temperature. The gas was collected into a gas bag and analyzed by GC, while the slurry of catalyst and liquid was removed from the autoclave under N<sub>2</sub> by cannulation. Degassed (N<sub>2</sub>) reagent alcohol was then used to rinse the reactor wall and internals and cannulated into the Schlenk under N<sub>2</sub> purge. The collected slurry was then filtered through a porous frit under N<sub>2</sub> and the solids dried in vacuo overnight. The dried black solids were transferred via Schlenk into a glovebag under Ar. Samples were loaded into the DRIFTS cell in the glovebag and the DRIFTS cell sealed under Ar.

## 3.2. 4 Catalyst Preparation for $Ru(acac)_3$ and $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ experiments

500 ppm based on metal for 91 g of total organics was used, either in the form of phosphomolybdic acid,  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  or  $Ru(C_5H_7O_2)_3$ . PMA was added to the reactor in an

aqueous solution, while both Ru precursors were added as solids  $(Ru_3(CO)_{12} \text{ is insoluble})$ in toluene). 100 ml of toluene was added and the total volume of water used was 10 ml. 4.5 g of naphthalene comprising 5.0 wt% of organics was introduced, and the batch autoclave sealed. 15 psi of H<sub>2</sub>S and balance of CO up to 600 psig were used to test simultaneous water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation. Because of the low activity of the Ru precursors for water gas shift, Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> (where acac = acetylacetonate =  $C_5H_7O_2^{-1}$ ) was tested separately after catalyst preparation under H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O to determine the activity for hydrogenation of naphthalene.

## 3.2. 5 Catalyst Preparation for Me-Mo sulfides (Me = Fe, V, Ni)

Experimental conditions were similar to those used in previous studies performed in a 1000 ml autoclave (Abusaido 1999; Zhang 2005). Table 3.2.5.1. lists the conditions for the 1000 ml and 300 ml autoclave. The conditions in the 300 ml autoclave were chosen such that the molar ratios of CO:H<sub>2</sub>O:Solvent:Naphthalene were equal between the two reactors. A stirring speed of 1500 RPM in the 300 ml autoclave was chosen versus 1300 RPM for the original reactions since it was suggested by Peter Byrne (Autoclave Engineers) that a higher stir speed may be required for good gas dispersion due to the smaller impeller size compared to the older 300 ml SS-316 and 1 L SS-316 batch autoclave. 52 ml of toluene and 18 ml of water were used with 11.17 g of naphthalene (20 wt% naphthalene to approximate diesel). The precursors used were FeSO<sub>4</sub>, NiSO<sub>4</sub>•6H<sub>2</sub>O and VO(C5H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and PMA. The total amount of metal was based on 1500 ppmw of Mo for 74.20 g total liquid, or 1.16 mmoles metal (0.87 mmoles Mo, 0.29 mmoles Ru). 15 psi

	1-L SS Batch Autoclave	300 ml HC-276 Batch
		Autoclave
Total Working Volume (ml)	995	257
Solvent Volume (ml)	200 (Toluene)	52 (Toluene)
Water Volume (ml)	70	18
Liquid Volume Fraction	0.35	0.35
(Oil:H <sub>2</sub> O)		
Gas Volume (ml)	725	187
Mass of Naphthalene (g)	43.25	11.17
L/G Volume Fraction	0.37	0.37
(Liquid:Gas)		
Catalyst Concentration	1500	1500
(ppmw Mo wrt Oil)		
Final Temperature (°C)	340	340
Temperature Ramp during	3.0	3.0
Heating (°C / min)		
Stir Speed (RPM)	1300	1500
Batch Autoclave Material	<b>SS-316</b>	HC-276

Table 3.2.5. 1: Comparison of Experimental Conditions between 1 L and 300 ml Autoclaves

of  $H_2S$  and balance of CO up to 600 psig were used to test simultaneous water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation.

# 3.2. 6 Catalyst Preparation for Multifactorial study of Fe, V and Nidoped Mo sulfides

1500 ppmw (with respect to 96.6 g organic) of Mo was used in the form of

Phosphomolybdic acid (PMA). Dopant metals (Fe, Ni and V) were added to make an

atomic ratio, Dopant: Mo of 0.6 (1.5 mmole Mo, 0.91 mmole V, 0.91 mmole Ni). PMA

was added to the reactor in an aqueous solution, while both NiSO<sub>4</sub>•6H<sub>2</sub>O and

VO(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) precursors were added as solids. 100 ml of toluene was added and the total

volume of water used was 10 ml. 10 g of naphthalene were introduced, and the batch autoclave sealed.

## 3.3 Operational Procedure

Autoclave seal rings were sprayed with Molykote dry lubricant to aid in sealing. The autoclave was pressure tested at 1200 psig under N2 for 30 minutes to determine proper sealing. The reactor was then stirred at 500 RPM for approximately 1 minute to dissolve any solids. The autoclave was then purged with the balance gas (CO,  $H_2$  or 50% CO/ $H_2$ ) 3 times (~200 psig) under stirring (~300 RPM). After purging the inlet lines through the H<sub>2</sub>S absorption column, H<sub>2</sub>S was then charged to the reactor and balance gas up to total pressure of 600 psig was charged. After purging,  $H_2S$  was introduced and CO or other balance gas was charged to a total pressure of 600 psig. Stirring to 1500 rpm was started, and the reactor temperature ramp rate was set. An operational flowchart is shown in Figure 3.3.1. The start of reaction was taken at the time the reactor thermocouple stabilized at 340 °C. Six samples in total were recovered for kinetic analysis. Before sampling, a purge volume was taken to account for dead volume in the sampling lines. Gas and liquid samples were separated by flash depressurization in an expansion bomb. Gas samples were transferred from the autoclave via a medium pressure gas-tight syringe with valve and analyed by GC-TCD on an Agilent 3000A (Appendix A). Liquid samples were weighed and transferred to GC vials for analysis by GC-FID on a Varian CP-3800 (Appendix A). A detailed procedure for sampling is included in Appendix E. A sampling flowchart is shown in Figure 3.3.2. Pressure and temperature in the reactor and sample bombs was measured with Omega thermocouples and pressure transducers.



Figure 3.3. 1: Reactor Operation Flowchart

Concentrations of gases in the sample were obtained by calculating total number of mols in the sample bomb via the ideal gas law and dividing by the mass of liquid collected.

## 3.4 Analytical Procedures

# 3.4. 1 Liquid Phase Analysis

Samples were collected at regular intervals during reaction and analyzed to determine hydrogenation and WGS rate constants. The HC-276 reactor internals also catalyze the WGS and hydrogenation reactions, and an estimate of the blank "wall effect" is given in Table D.2, Appendix D (Experiments #6, #12, #30). The organic liquid product was analyzed on a Varian CP-3800 GC-FID with a 30 m x 0.32 mm VF-5MS column. The analysis conditions are listed in Appendix A. Kinetic rate constants were determined through regression analysis of the data in Excel. Solid catalyst particles were removed via filtration or by allowing the solids to settle by gravity.


Figure 3.3. 2: Sampling and Analysis Flowchart

## 3.4. 2 Gas Phase Analysis

Gas Phase samples were collected in a 5 mL gas-tight syringe with valve. An Agilent 3000A MicroGC was utilized for analysis. The conditions are listed in Appendix A. H<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, CO were analyzed on a 5A Molecular Sieve column using Argon as carrier gas for enhanced detector sensitivity to H<sub>2</sub>. CO<sub>2</sub>, methane, propane, propylene, H<sub>2</sub>S and COS were fractionated on a PLOT U column running Helium carrier gas. An RGA Calibration

mixture supplied by Agilent was used to calibrate the Agilent 3000A GC bi-weekly.  $H_2S$  and COS were calibrated using a Certified Standard supplied by Praxair of 2.54 vol%  $H_2S$  and 5.02 vol% COS. Kinetic rate constants were from regression analysis of data in Excel (Appendix B).

# 3.4. 3 <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>2</sup>H-NMR (D-NMR) Analysis

<sup>1</sup>H and D Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (NMR) were performed under the supervision of Jan Venne in the Department of Chemistry on a Bruker AVANCE 300. Quantification was accomplished via integration of proton and deuterium resonances using Bruker X-Winnmr software.  $d_6$ -acetone (<sup>2</sup>H) or n-octane solvent was utilized as an internal reference. The quantification from <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra was then compared to total organic concentrations from GC-FID analysis to determine the percent of <sup>1</sup>H-incorporation. Since <sup>1</sup>H and D are the only hydrogen isotopes present in the reaction in significant quantities, the deuterated-naphthalene concentration can be calculated from,

 $[NAPH]_{GC} - [NAPH]_{1H} = [NAPH]_{D}$ 

## 3.4. 4 Procedure for Recording DRIFTS Spectrum

The DRIFTS setup is shown in Figure 3.3.3.1. In addition to the cell (Harrick Praying Mantis, ZrSe windows) a vacuum attachment and liquid holder to introduce vapour are included.

Sample (ATTM or  $MoS_2$  prepared ex-situ) was loaded into the DRIFT cell under Ar in a glovebag. The sample holder was filled so that fine powder was flush with the top of the sample. After connecting the DRIFTS cell to the gas lines, the cell was flushed with N<sub>2</sub> for approximately 20 minutes.



Figure 3.4.4. 1: Diagram of the Diffuse Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Spectroscopy (DRIFTS) Set-up

For liquid vapours (formic acid and water), the cell was loaded using vacuum techniques. After evacuating the cell for 30 minutes to remove moisture and air, the liquid holder was evacuated to reduce the pressure and heated with hot water (~90 °C) to allow

the liquid to partially vapourize. After waiting several seconds for vapour to permeate through the gas lines, the gas inlet valve was opened (4 ml/min) to introduce vapour into the cell. This was repeated several times if necessary. After introducing the vapour, the selected reactant gas was introduced and after flushing the cell for a short time the gas flow gas flow was stopped. DRIFTS spectra were recorded with 128 scans with a resolution of 4 cm<sup>-1</sup>. A background scan (usually N<sub>2</sub> flow at room temperature) was subtracted from the recorded spectrum to give a difference spectrum. Spectra were recorded in absorbance units, therefore an upward shift in intensity corresponds to the appearance of a particular molecular vibration. For variable temperature runs, the sample was heated incrementally and spectra were recorded 10 minutes after the thermocouple reached the specified temperature in order to ensure thermal equilibrium of the sample.

## 3.5 Formulas and Calculations (for sample calculations see Appendix C)

## 3.5.1: Pseudo-First Order Rate Constant

A pseudo-first order rate constant for WGS was determined for CO since H<sub>2</sub>O is in excess. An analagous rate constant for naphthalene was calculated during hydrogenation. The reactant concentrations were fitted to the exponential equation below through regression analysis in Excel.

$$k_i C_i = -\frac{dC_i}{dt}$$
$$-\int k_i dt = \int \frac{dC_i}{dt}$$
$$-k_{i0}^i = Ln C_i^{C_{i0}}$$
$$\exp^{-k_i t} = \frac{C_{i1}}{C_{i0}}$$
$$C_{i0} \exp^{-k_i t} = C_{i1}$$

## 3.5. 2: Calculation for gas concentration in liquid

Pressure, temperature and mass of flashed reactor samples were recorded and used to calculated gas concentrations [mol / g-liquid]. Mols of gas were calculated from pressure and temperature via the Ideal Gas Law.

## Calculation of Molar Gas Quantities from Ideal Gas Law

$$n_{gas} = \frac{PV}{RT}$$

where,

Р	=	pressure (Pa)
V	=	Volume $(m^3)$
R	=	8.314 (J/(mol-K)
Т	=	Temperature (K)

The reactor sample is flashed at ambient temperature (25-27 °C) and low pressure (~10 psig) to separate light gases (CO, H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S) and condensing liquids (toluene, water, naphthalene, tetralin). A sample from each phase is collected for analysis.

The pressure data for the sampling vessel must be converted from a raw voltage reading. The pressure range of the transducer is 0-100 psia, while the measured voltage range is from 1-5 Volts. For details of the actual instrumentation set-up see Appendix F.

$$P_{SB} = \frac{(Volts - 1)(100\,psia - 0\,psia)}{(5Volts - 1Volts)}$$

 $P_{SB,gauge} = P_{SB} - 14.7$ 

$$P'_{SB} = P_{SB} \frac{(101325 \ Pa \ atm^{-1})}{(14.7 \ psi \ atm^{-1})}$$

$$n_{gas} = \frac{(P'_{SB}V_{SB})}{(RT)}$$

$$[Gas] (mol \ g - Liq^{-1}) = \frac{n_{gas}}{m_{sample}}$$

 $m_{sample}$  = mass of collected sample liquid sample (g-Liq)  $P_{SB}$  = Pressure in the sampling bomb (Pa)

$$P_{SB}$$
 = Pressure in the sampling bomb (Pa)

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{Molar Gas Constant} (8.314 \, \mathrm{J} - \mathrm{K}^{-1} - \mathrm{mol}^{-1})$$

- $V_{SB}$  = Volume of the sampling bomb (157 x 10<sup>-6</sup> m<sup>3</sup>)
- *Volts* = Pressure transducer voltage (Volts)

$$N_{gas} = \frac{(P'_{SB}V_{SB})}{(RT)}$$

to determine the gas concentration:

$$[GAS] = \frac{(mol\% - GAS)x(total - moles - in - sample - bomb)}{(mass - of - liquid - sample)}$$

# mol%-H<sub>2</sub> = mol% measurement calculated by External Standard (ESTD) from Gas Chromatogram

#### 3.5. 3: Naphthalene Conversions

Naphthalene conversion was calculated from the sample concentrations as analyzed by GC-FID.

$$X(\%) = 100x \frac{[NAPH]_0 - [NAPH]_t}{[NAPH]_0}$$

Where,

- $[NAPH]_i$  = Initial Naphthalene Concentration (mol/g-liq)
- $[NAPH]_t$  = Naphthalene Concentration at t minutes (mol/g-liq)

## 3.5. 4: Calculation of second order rate constant for hydrogenation

For hydrogenation in a stirred autoclave, the solubility of  $H_2$  in the reacting medium is important and therefore a second-order rate constant was calculated (Sections 4.4 and 6.3.5).

 $\begin{aligned} r_{NAPH} &= k_{NAPH} [NAPH] \\ r_{NAPH} &= k_{NAPH} "[\overline{H_2}] [NAPH] \\ k_{NAPH} "= \frac{k_{NAPH}}{[\overline{H_2}]} \end{aligned}$ 

#### 3.5. 5: Reversible WGS Rate Constant

If CO conversion is high in a batch reaction the WGS may approach equilibrium thereby falsifying the true kinetics. To measure a true pseudo-first order rate constant under conditions where equilibrium is limiting, the calculation derived by Rintjema was used (Rintjema 1992),

$$Ln(A) = Ln\left\{\frac{[CO]_{0}^{2} - [CO]_{e}[CO]_{t}}{([CO]_{t} - [CO]_{e})[CO]_{0}}\right\}$$

where,

[CO] <sub>0</sub>	=	initial concentration of CO
[CO] <sub>e</sub>	=	equilibrium concentration of CO
[CO] <sub>t</sub>	=	measured concentration of CO at reaction time t

A plot of Ln A versus time should yield a straight line with slope m, where

$$m = k_i x \left[ \frac{[CO]_0 + [CO]_e}{[CO]_0 - [CO]_e} \right]$$

In order to calculate [CO]<sub>e</sub>, we need  $K_{eq}^{WGS}$  at 340 °C. A simple equilibrium calculation was published by Moe (Moe 1962),

$$K_{eq} = \exp\left\{-4.33 + \frac{4577.8}{T(K)}\right\}$$

Calculation of [CO]e during WGS was performed as follows. Consider an overall mole balance on the WGS reaction:

$$CO(g) + H_2O(g) \Leftrightarrow H_2(g) + CO_2(g)$$

As one can see, for every mole consumed one mole is produced, therefore the change in total number of moles is 0. However,  $H_2$  is consumed in hydrogenation. Furthermore, the analyzed sample is flashed to separate liquid and gases at ambient temperature and pressure (27 °C, 1 atm). Toluene, naphthalene, tetralin, decalins and water condense to liquids at these conditions. Therefore, we may assume two conditions when analyzing the gas sample;

- i)  $H_2O$  vapour condenses out of the gas sample
- ii) All other gas species (H<sub>2</sub>S, light hydrocarbons) are present in negligible quantities

Because the water vapour content is difficult to measure during the reaction and will condense into the liquid phase, we can consider as a basis the gas mol% on a dry basis  $(CO,H_2,CO_2,H_2S)$  and calculate a theoretical equilibrium conversion:

#### Calculation for Pure CO feed:

The calculation of CO equilibrium conversion,  $X_{eq}$  for an initial atmosphere of CO only occurs as follows:

 $[CO]_e$  = theoretical equilibrium dry mol% CO

[CO] <sub>0</sub>	=	normalized mol% CO at 0 minutes
[CO] <sub>t</sub>	=	normalized mol% CO at t minutes

$K_{eq} = Equilibrium constant for V$	VGS
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$N_{CO,i} =$	Initial	mols	of	CO	loaded	into	reactor	(mol	)
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 $N_j = mols of species j$ 

 $N_{H2}^{C}$  = hydrogen consumed in hydrogenation (mol); 2 mol required to form tetralin, 5 mol for decalin

X = Conversion of CO

w = initial molar ratio of H<sub>2</sub>O:CO, 
$$\frac{molH_2O}{molCO}$$

 $\chi_{CO}$  = normalized dry mol% CO from GC analysis

## At some time t,

$N_{CO} =$	(1-X)*N <sub>CO,0</sub>		
$N_{H2} =$	X*N <sub>CO.0</sub> - N <sub>H2</sub> <sup>c</sup>		

 $N_{CO2}\!=\qquad X^*N_{CO,0}$ 

$$N_T = (1-X)^* N_{CO,0} + (X^* N_{CO,0}) - N_{H2}^{c} + (X^* N_{CO,0})$$

$$N_{\rm T} = (1-X)^* N_{\rm CO,0} + 2^* X^* N_{\rm CO,0} - N_{\rm H2}^{\ c}$$

$$N_T = (1+X)*N_{CO,0} - N_{H2}^{c}$$

where,

 $N_T$  is the total mols of dry gas (normalized to CO, H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>).

At this point,  $N_{CO,0}$  is known,  $N_{H2}^{c}$  can be calculated from the conversion of naphthalene to tetralin and decalins and the only unknown is X,

$$X = \frac{(N_{CO,0} - N_{CO})}{N_{CO,0}}$$
$$\chi_{CO} = \frac{N_{CO}}{N_T} = \frac{(1 - X)N_{CO,0}}{(1 + X)N_{CO,0} - N_{H2}^C}$$

where,

The calculation of  $K_{eq}$  is thus:

$$\begin{split} K_{eq} &= \frac{N_{CO2}N_{H2}}{N_{CO}N_{H2O}} \\ K_{eq} &= \frac{[N_{CO,i}X_{eq}][N_{CO,i}X_{eq} - N_{H2}^{C}]}{[N_{CO,i}(1 - X_{eq})][N_{CO,i}(w - X_{eq})]} \\ K_{eq} &= \frac{[N_{CO,i}X_{eq}]^2 - [N_{CO,i}X_{eq}N_{H2}^{C}]}{[N_{CO,i}^2(1 - X_{eq})(w - X_{eq})]} \end{split}$$

 $X_{eq}\xspace$  can be solved by trial and error or using software such as GOALSEEK in Excel.

## 3.5. 6: Calculation of Variance

To obtain an estimate of the experimental variability, the variance was calculated,

$$s_p^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - X)^2}{n - 1}$$

sp	=	variance
X <sub>i</sub>	=	measurement for the i <sup>th</sup> replicate
$\overline{X}$	=	mean value over all the replicated measurements
n	=	number of replicates

## 3.5. 7: Calculation of Pooled Variance

The pooled variance was calculated for sets of experiments where more than one experimental condition was replicated but the number of replicates for each condition was low (ie. 3 experimental conditions each with 2 replicates).

$${naph} {s_p}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} {V_i {s_i}^2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} {V_i}}$$

$$v_i = n_i - 1 \text{ (n is the same as in 3.6.7).}$$

$$s_i = variance \text{ for the i}^{\text{th}} \text{ mean}$$

## 3.5.8: Confidence Interval Calculation

The 90% Confidence Interval was calculated for the two-factor study in Section 4.4.

$$CI = t_{df, \frac{1-\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{s^2}{n}}$$
  
n = # of measurements = 3  
s<sup>2</sup> = variance = 9.17\*10<sup>-11</sup>  
df = degrees of freedom = n-1 = 2

$$\alpha$$
 = Confidence Level = 90 %

## 3.5. 9 ANOVA Calculations

An error estimate is calculated from the centre-point replicate results. 3 centre-point replicates were performed at periodic intervals during the reaction sequence to check for experimental drift. The error is taken as the variance of the 3 centre-point results. The degrees of freedom (df) for the error is n-1,

$$n-1 = 3 - 1 = 2$$

where n is the number of replicates. For the calculation of effects, the average of results at the high (+) factor level is subtracted from the average of results at the low factor level (-).

Effect of 
$$A = \frac{(1+3+5+7)}{4} - \frac{(2+4+6+8)}{4}$$

For interaction factors, the level of the interaction effect is taken from the product of the interactions, ie. for A x B interaction (experiment #1)

$$A(+) \times B(-) = (A \times B)(-)$$

Table 3.5.3.1 displays representative main and interaction levels for a full  $2^3$  multifactorial experiment.

To calculate the Sum of Squares of Effects, we use:

$$SS = 2^{(f-1)} (effect)^2$$

where f is the number of experimental factors (A,B,C), in this case 3.

The Mean Squares of Effects (MS<sub>i</sub>) is simply the SS<sub>i</sub> divided by the df of effect i,

$$MS_i = \frac{(SS_i)}{df_i}$$

Experiment Number	А	В	С	AB	AC	BC	ABC
1	+	-	-	-	-	+	+
2	-	-	-	+	+	+	-
3	+	+	-	+	-	-	-
4	-	+	-	-	+	-	+
5	+	-	+	-	+	-	-
6	-	-	+	+	-	-	+
7	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
8	-	+	+	-	-	+	-

Table 3.5.3. 1: Level of Factor for ANOVA Analysis

Because each effect is measured at two levels, (+) and (-),  $df_i = n-1 = 2-1 = 1$ .

To test for significance, an F-test is used. The analyzed ratio is,

$$\frac{(MS_i)}{(MS_e)} = F_{\text{exp erimental}}$$

where,

 $MS_i$  = mean square of effect

 $MS_e$  = mean square of error (variance)

F-critical is taken from F-tables, ie.  $F_{1,2,0.05}$ , where

1 is the df of effects

2 is the df of the error

 $0.05 = \alpha$ , and  $1 - \alpha = 0.95$  is the confidence level

ex.  $F_{1,2,0.05} = 18.51$ 

 $F_{critical}$  represents the minimum F-value where  $MS_i$  is considered significantly different than  $MS_e$ . If,

then the effect can be considered significant.

## 3.5. 10: Calculation of Hydrogenation Equilibrium Constant

Hydrogenation is exothermic with conversions thermodynamically limited at high temperatures. The naphthalene/tetralin/H<sub>2</sub> equilibrium constant (Frye 1969);

$$K_{P} = \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}} * (P_{H2} + 0.00033 P_{H2}^{2})^{2}$$
$$X_{eq} = 1 - [1 + \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}}]^{-1}$$

$$P_{H2} = hydrogen \quad pressure \quad (atm)$$

$$P_{H2} = \frac{[H_2 \ mol \ / \ g] * mass_{rxn} (g) * RT}{V_{reactor}}$$

The equilibrium conversion,  $X_{eq}$  calculated was compared to the experimental conversion to determine if the reaction was equilibrium limited.

# 3.5. 11: <sup>1</sup>*H*-percentage of <sup>1</sup>*H* incorporation into organic products

The percentage of <sup>1</sup>H isotope incorporated into the organic product was calculated from the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum integrations.

$$\begin{bmatrix} NAPH \end{bmatrix}_{NMR,t} = \begin{bmatrix} NAPH \end{bmatrix}_{GC,t} x \begin{bmatrix} (mass - of - GC - sample) \\ mass - of - NMR - sample \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0114g / g - liq \end{bmatrix} x \begin{bmatrix} (3.1968 - 2.4903)g \\ (2.9198 - 2.4903)g \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} NAPH \end{bmatrix}_{NMR,t} = 0.011361g / g - liq$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{mol - NAPH}{mol - n - Oc \tan e} \end{bmatrix}_{total} = \begin{cases} \frac{[NAPH]_{NMR, t}}{MW_{NAPH}} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\left\{ \frac{1 - [NAPH]_{NMR, t} - [TET]_{NMR, t} - [c - DEC]_{NMR, t} - [t - DEC]_{NMR, t} - [Acetone]_{NMR, t} \right\}}{MW_{n - Oc \tan e}} \end{cases}$$

[NAPH]<sub>NMR,t</sub> = Concentration of Naphthalene in the NMR sample measured by GC-FID at reaction time t

[TET] <sub>NMR,t</sub>	=	Concentration of Tetralin in the NMR sample measured by
		GC-FID at reaction time t
[c-DEC] <sub>NMR,t</sub>	=	Concentration of c-Decalin in the NMR sample measured
		by GC-FID at reaction time t
[t-DEC] <sub>NMR,t</sub>	=	Concentration of t-Decalin in the NMR sample measured by
		GC-FID at reaction time t
[Acetone] <sub>NMR,t</sub>	=	Concentration of in the NMR sample measured by GC-FID
		at reaction time t
Subscript t	=	Reaction time sample was collected, t (min)
NMR	=	Sample from NMR tube

Integration of distinct hydrogen resonances in the NMR spectrum corresponds to relative molar quantities of molecules. For instance, consider n-octane ( $CH_3(CH_2)_6CH_3$ ) and tetralin ( $C_{10}H_{12}$ ; 4 aromatic protons resonate at same frequency). There are six methyl (- $CH_3$ ) protons in one molecule of n-octane; likewise there are 4 aromatic protons for each molecule of tetralin. Dividing the integral of the n-octane – $CH_3$  resonances by 6 gives the relative moles of n-octane. Similarly, dividing the integral of naphthalene aromatic protons by 4 gives the relative moles of naphthalene. Then, dividing:

$$\left[\frac{\text{Re lative moles naphthalene}}{\text{Re lative moles } n - oc \tan e}\right] = \left[\frac{mol - NAPH(^{1}H)}{mol - n - Oc \tan e(^{1}H)}\right]$$

 $mol-NAPH(^{1}H) = mols of ^{1}H$  naphthalene determined from NMR integration  $mol-n-Octane(^{1}H) = mols of ^{1}H$  n-octane determined from NMR integration

gives the molar ratio of naphthalene to n-octane (recall only <sup>1</sup>H resonances are observed in <sup>1</sup>H-NMR). Since deuterium incorporation into n-octane is insignificant, the percentage of <sup>1</sup>H-incorporation into naphthalene is,

$$%({}^{1}H) - Incorporation_{NAPH-A} = \left[ \frac{\frac{mol - NAPH({}^{1}H)}{mol - n - Oc \tan e({}^{1}H)}}{\frac{mol - NAPH}{mol - n - Oc \tan e}} \right]_{total}$$

where,

$$\left[\frac{mol - NAPH}{mol - n - Oc \tan e}\right]_{total} = \text{molar ratio of total naphthalene (}^{1}\text{H} + {}^{2}\text{H}\text{) versus n-octane}$$
  
from GC-FID analysis (n-octane is all <sup>1</sup>H since exchange with D<sub>2</sub>O is negligible).

## 3.5. 12: Calculation of Hydrogenation Index (HI) and Exchange Index (EI)

The HI and EI method developed by Skowronski et al. to compare the extent of hydrogenation and exchange in coal liquefaction was used (Skowronski et al. 1984):

$$n_{H} = \left\{\frac{8 \text{ moles} - H}{\text{mol} - \text{NAPH}} * [\text{NAPH}] + \frac{12 \text{ moles} - H}{\text{mol} - \text{TET}} * [\text{TET}]\right\} * \text{mass}_{rxn}$$

$$n_{1H} \circ = \frac{\left[\frac{8 \text{ moles} - H}{\text{mol} - \text{NAPH}}\right] * \text{mass}_{NAPH,i}}{MW_{NAPH}}$$

$$n_{2H} = \text{mass}_{rxn} * \left\{\left\{(1 - [\%^{1}H - \text{NAPH} - A]) + (1 - [\%^{1}H - \text{NAPH} - B])\right\} * \left[\frac{4 \text{ moles} - H}{\text{mol} - \text{NAPH}}\right] * [\text{NAPH}] + \left\{(1 - [\%^{1}H - \text{TET} - AROM]) + (1 - [\%^{1}H - \text{TET} - SAT] * 2\right\} * \left[\frac{4 \text{ moles} - H}{\text{mol} - \text{TET}}\right] * [\text{TET}]\right\}$$

$$HI = \frac{H}{H + E}$$
$$EI = \frac{E}{H + E}$$

mass <sub>rxn</sub>	=	mass of liquid in reactor (g)
n <sub>H</sub>	=	total moles of hydrogen including D in all products (NAPH and TET)
$n_{1H}^{\circ}$	=	moles of hydrogen in starting naphthalene
n <sub>2H</sub>	=	total moles of deuterium in products by hydrogenation and
Н	=	net amount of hydrogen added to form tetralin, $n_{\rm H} - n_{1\rm H}^{\circ}$
Е	=	amount of deuterium incorporated by exchange, $n_{\rm 2H}-H$
% <sup>1</sup> H-NAPH-A	=	percentage of <sup>1</sup> H on the naphthalene $\alpha$ - position
% <sup>1</sup> H-NAPH-B	=	percentage of ${}^{1}$ H on the naphthalene $\beta$ -position
% <sup>1</sup> H-TET-AROM	=	percentage of <sup>1</sup> H on the tetralin aromatic ring
% <sup>1</sup> H-TET-SAT	=	percentage of <sup>1</sup> H on the tetralin saturated ring

(for the various hydrogen-positions in tetralin and naphthalene refer to Scheme 4.2.1.1)

## **Chapter 4: Isotope Effects and CO adsorption**

### 4.1 Introduction

In order to compare the rates of in-situ hydrogen and molecular hydrogen utilization under CO/H<sub>2</sub>, we might distinguish between hydrogen originating from water and molecular hydrogen through isotopic labeling with D<sub>2</sub>O and H<sub>2</sub>. Isotopic tracing techniques utilizing Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) of deuterium have been applied to analyze D incorporation into coal liquefaction products and model compounds (Young et al. 1984; Schweighardt et al. 1976). Simple analysis detailing relative incorporation into aromatics, ring saturates and alkyl groups is possible.

Isotopic labeling using  $D_2O$  was utilized to determine deuterium incorporation from water into hydrogenated products and compared to molecular hydrogen incorporation. Kinetics under  $D_2O$  were compared with kinetics under  $H_2O$  to determine possible apparent kinetic isotope effects. Diffuse Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Spectroscopy (DRIFTS) was performed to analyze adsorption of CO on the catalyst surface at reaction temperature.

## 4.2 Isotopic Labeling of Water

# 4.2. 1<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Analysis of Liquid Phase Products

Deuterium incorporation into liquid products was quantified by NMR spectroscopy. The processed <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra are shown in Appendix B. Protons at chemically unique sites

on naphthalene and tetralin resonate in a magnetic field at different frequencies; their chemical shifts (ppm) are shown in Scheme 4.2.1.1. n-Octane was used as solvent rather than toluene since aromatic protons exchange with D<sub>2</sub>O at reaction conditions. <sup>1</sup>H incorporation into naphthalene and tetralin was quantified by <sup>1</sup>H-NMR; these results were then compared with quantification of total organic species concentrations (<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>2</sup>H (D)) by GC-FID analysis to determine the <sup>1</sup>H incorporation (as <sup>1</sup>H-percentage) into naphthalene and tetralin. Deuterium incorporation was determined by subtracting the <sup>1</sup>H-percentage. The accuracy of this method was confirmed by quantifying a control sample



Scheme 4.2.1. 1: Chemical Shifts of Naphthalene and Tetralin Protons in <sup>1</sup>H-NMR

prepared with measured quantities of  $h_6$ -acetone and  $d_6$ -acetone in n-octane with <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>2</sup>H-NMR and GC-FID analysis. It was hoped that measuring the deuterium incorporation over reaction time would allow differentiation between the in-situ and molecular hydrogenation pathways. Scheme 4.2.1.2 displays the possible hydrogenation mechanisms. Incorporation of deuterium from D<sub>2</sub>O can occur through,

i) direct exchange between aromatic species and protons/deuterons from water orii) hydrogenation and dehydrogenation.

Molecular  ${}^{1}\text{H}_{2}$  which can also exchange  ${}^{1}\text{H}$  with D<sub>2</sub>O and naphthalene (Scheme 4.2.1.3). Exchange between molecular hydrogen and water in catalytic environments in part due to reactor wall effects is well established (Roland et al. 2006). The reactor wall may also catalyze WGS and hydrogenation; an estimate of the blank "wall effect" kinetics under CO/H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O (Experiment #6) is shown in Table D.2, Appendix D.



Scheme 4.2.1. 2: Hydrogenation of Naphthalene in Water



Scheme 4.2.1. 3: Hydrogen Exchange Pathways between molecular-H<sub>2</sub>, naphthalene and water

Hydrogen-exchange between  $D_2O$  and naphthalene was confirmed by performing an experiment under  $N_2/D_2O/H_2S$  with PMA as the Mo precursor (Figure 4.2.1.1). The naphthalene <sup>1</sup>H-percentage for both  $\alpha$ -hydrogen and  $\beta$ -hydrogen decrease over the reaction time indicating that deuterium is incorporated from  $D_2O$ . The lower <sup>1</sup>H-percentage at a given reaction time for  $\alpha$ -hydrogens versus  $\beta$ -hydrogens suggests a faster rate of H-exchange for naphthalene  $\alpha$ -hydrogen sites. Under  $N_2/D_2O/H_2S$  a decrease in <sup>1</sup>H-percentage is observable over reaction time while the rate of exchange is different for naphthalene  $\alpha$ -hydrogens.

Figure 4.2.1.2 shows the <sup>1</sup>H-percentage for naphthalene and tetralin with reaction time under  $CO/D_2O/H_2S$ . The initial sample (not shown) was lost before complete



Figure 4.2.1.1: Experiment #19, <sup>1</sup>H-isotope percentage into naphthalene and tetralin in hydrogenation( $N_2/D_2O/H_2S$ , 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

analysis could be performed. The <sup>1</sup>H-percentage reaches a pseudo-steady state value early in the reaction due to hydrogen-exchange and hydrogenation. The low naphthalene and tetralin <sup>1</sup>H-percentage is due to the high ratio of overall D/H since deuterium is the only H-isotope available for hydrogenation and the relative molar amount of D<sub>2</sub>O (1.10 moles D) compared to naphthalene (0.2312 moles <sup>1</sup>H) is large (D/H = 4.76, D<sub>2</sub>O/C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>8</sub> = 20). The D/H ratio depends upon the molar amounts of naphthalene, H<sub>2</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>O in the batch system. For comparison, the <sup>1</sup>H percentage in naphthalene and tetralin under an initial atmosphere of H<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S is shown in Figure 4.2.1.3. Hydrogenation with <sup>1</sup>H<sub>2</sub> produces <sup>1</sup>H-tetralin. HD (and D<sub>2</sub>) can be produced via H-exchange between H<sub>2</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>O. Exchange between H<sub>2</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>O scrambles the molecular hydrogen into H<sub>2</sub> and HD



Figure 4.2.1.2: Experiment #5R1, <sup>1</sup>H-isotope percentage into naphthalene and tetralin in hydrogenation ((CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

(possibly  $D_2$ ). Fu et al. found that hydrogenation of phenanthrene over sulfided NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> under syngas (CO/H<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O) resulted in a mixture of H<sub>2</sub> and HD in the gas mixture (Fu et al. 1995). Therefore, in addition to direct exchange between D<sub>2</sub>O and aromatic hydrogen, deuterium can be incorporated into tetralin from molecular hydrogen (HD or D<sub>2</sub>) through hydrogenation. In our case the relative concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>, HD and D<sub>2</sub> could not be quantified, but the information could be provided using suitable MS techniques and may be useful to determine the isotopic distribution between water, naphthalene, tetralin and molecular hydrogen at 340 °C for various D/H ratios. Comparison between the case with CO (Figure 4.2.1.2) and H<sub>2</sub> (Figure 4.2.1.3) indicates a



Figure 4.2.1.3: Experiment #2R1, (1:2) <sup>1</sup>H-isotope percentage into naphthalene and tetralin in hydrogenation ( $H_2/D_2O/H_2S$ , 600 psig, 15 psi  $H_2S$ , 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml  $H_2O$ , 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

higher steady-state <sup>1</sup>H- percentage (naphthalene and tetralin) with H<sub>2</sub>. Since under  $H_2/D_2O/H_2S$  the overall atomic ratio of D/H is lower than under CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, the higher steady-state naphthalene and tetralin <sup>1</sup>H-percentage under H<sub>2</sub> is not surprising.

Hydrogenation of naphthalene in n-octane under  $CO/H_2/D_2O/H_2S$  is shown in Figure 4.2.1.3. The D/H ratio under an initial  $CO/H_2/D_2O$  lies between that for  $CO/D_2O$  and  $H_2/D_2O$ . The steady-state naphthalene and tetralin <sup>1</sup>H-percentage for an initial atmosphere of  $CO/H_2/D_2O/H_2S$  also falls between the values for CO and H<sub>2</sub> (Figures 4.2.1.2, 4.2.1.3 and 4.2.1.4).

It is difficult to directly compare the rates of in- situ vs. molecular hydrogenation directly since significant proton exchange occurs between D<sub>2</sub>O, naphthalene and H<sub>2</sub>.



Figure 4.2.1.4: Experiment #14, <sup>1</sup>H-isotope percentage into naphthalene and tetralin in hydrogenation ((molar 1:1 CO/H<sub>2</sub>)/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Therefore, without knowledge of the gas phase isotope distribution, it is not possible to kinetically distinguish between deuterogenation from water and hydrogenation from molecular hydrogen in n-octane/water emulsions. Under N<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, only exchange occurs, and a steady-state <sup>1</sup>H-percentage is reached at the end of reaction (Figure 4.2.1.4). During reaction under N<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, the <sup>1</sup>H-percentage for naphthalene is different for  $\alpha$ -hydrogen than for  $\beta$ -hydrogen. A greater percentage of deuterium incorporation is observed under CO and H<sub>2</sub> compared with N<sub>2</sub>. In contrast to N<sub>2</sub>, under CO and H<sub>2</sub>, the deuterium incorporation between  $\alpha$ -hydrogen and  $\beta$ -hydrogen is similar. Over dispersed, unsupported MoS<sub>2</sub> deuterium incorporation from D<sub>2</sub>O appears enhanced under reducing (CO, H<sub>2</sub>) versus inert (N<sub>2</sub>) atmospheres. Under a reducing atmosphere (CO and/or H<sub>2</sub>) sulfur vacancies on the MoS<sub>2</sub> surface are formed. It is thought that hydrogenation,

hydrodesulfurization and hydrodenitrogenation occur at these sulfur vacancies. Hydrogenation catalysts have been observed to dissociate water and catalyze H-exchange; therefore sulfur vacancies on  $MoS_2$  created by reduction under CO or  $H_2$  may also catalyze  $H_2/D_2O$  exchange (Garnett 1966).

Skowronski et al. studied deuterium incorporation during coal liquefaction with Ni/kieselguhr (Skowronski et al. 1984). They formulated a Hydrogenation Index (HI) and Exchange Index (HI) to compare the extent of deuterium incorporated into coal through hydrogenation  $(^{2}H_{2})$  and solvent exchange (tetralin-d<sub>12</sub>). The formulation of HI and EI are covered in Section 3.5.12. As defined, HI and EI are valid for conditions where deuterium is present in the hydrogenation  $(^{2}H_{2})$  and exchange (solvent) source. Table 4.2.1.1 displays the values of HI and EI for naphthalene hydrogenation under CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S. The values indicate the strong extent of exchange compared to hydrogenation occurring with the MoS<sub>2</sub> catalyst. Under coal liquefaction, the activation energy for H-exchange is less than for hydrogenation (Skowronski et al. 1984). A dissociative type mechanism has been proposed for exchange between D<sub>2</sub>O and aromatic molecules (Garnett 1966). The

Reaction Time (min)	39.3	75.3	110.3	151.3	180	Average over reaction
Hydrogenation Index (HI)	0.191	0.208	0.194	0.207	0.402	0.241
Exchange Index (EI)	0.809	0.792	0.806	0.793	0.598	0.759

Table 4.2.1. 1: Hydrogenation Index (HI) and Exchange Index (EI) under  $CO/D_2O/H_2S$  (( $CO/D_2O/H_2S$ , 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

\* sample at 0 minutes was lost

dissociation of  $H_2O$  is implicated as a key factor in coke inhibition for the Aquaconversion<sup>TM</sup> process jointly developed by Intevep, UOP and Foster-Wheeler (Marzin et al. 1986; Rana et al. 2007). The alkali salts (K, Na) used are thought to catalyze  $H_2O$  dissociation to produce some form of hydrogen which can then add to the thermally formed hydrocarbon free-radicals terminating their oligomerization into coke (Marzin et al. 1986). Moll suggested that the presence of water during upgrading of bitumen emulsion with MoS<sub>2</sub> may reduce condensation reactions that form coke solids (Moll 1999). The presence of unsupported MoS<sub>2</sub> may enhance the dissociation of H<sup>+</sup> from water at high temperature serving to inhibit coke formation similar to the Aquaconversion<sup>TM</sup> process.

## 4.3 Effect of Solvent Type

#### 4.3. 1 Effect of Solvent Type on WGS: n-octane versus toluene

HDS, HDN and HYD reactions occur during hydroprocessing of bitumen and heavy oils. Inhibition of certain pathways may therefore exist if the substrate contains a mix of sulfur-containing, nitrogen-containing and aromatic hydrocarbons. The presence of nitrogen-containing compounds is known to significantly inhibit both HDS and HYD, while for sulfur-containing compounds the presence of aromatics has been suggested to inhibit HDS pathways (Song et al. 2006).

 $MoS_2$  enhances the rate of exchange between protons on water and aromatic hydrocarbon species. When toluene is used as solvent for naphthalene HYD using D<sub>2</sub>O as the hydrogen source, deuterated toluene was observed in significant amounts from the D-

NMR spectrum (not shown). Since aromatic exchange and water gas shift reactions involve dissociation of protons from water and may occur on similar or adjacent active sites, these mechanistic interactions may impact the kinetics of various pathways. A practical consideration then is whether an inhibitory effect on water gas shift and hydrogenation is observed in the presence of an aromatic solvent.

The pseudo-first order rate constants for water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation were measured while keeping other parameters constant. However, in order to maintain the same liquid/gas ratio in the batch autoclave, the same volumes of n-octane and toluene solvents were used. The catalyst concentration  $(3.70 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g Mo} / \text{ ml} \text{ water})$  was kept constant with respect to H<sub>2</sub>O rather than with total organics since it is the WGS rate we are interested in comparing.

The CO concentrations versus time are shown in Figures 4.3.1.1 and 4.3.1.2 for noctane and toluene solvents. Reported pseudo-first order rate constants for CO are shown in Table 4.3.1.1. The type of solvent appears to affect the water gas shift rate. At the start of reaction, more CO has been consumed in the toluene solvent compared with n-octane as can be seen from the CO concentrations (Figures 4.3.1.1, 4.3.1.2). It is possible this is due to phase effects; the three-phase critical point of water/n-octane (267 °C) is 18 °C lower than the three-phase critical temperature of water/toluene (285 °C) (Roof 1970). Segregation of water and hydrocarbon phases below the critical point may enhance the water gas shift rate if catalyst particles preferentially reside in the water phase or at the emulsion interface. A minimum in the surface free energy occurs for particles adsorbing to a three-phase interface. More facile dissociation of water in toluene (influenced by Hexchange with aromatics) versus minimal exchange with n-octane (aliphatic solvent) may



Figure 4.3.1.1: Experiment #7, CO, H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub> and Naphthalene Concentrations in noctane/water (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller)



Figure 4.3.1. 2: Experiment #25, CO,  $H_2$ ,  $CO_2$  and Naphthalene Concentrations in toluene/water (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller)

account for the increase in isothermal pseudo-first order rate constant, but phase effects in the three-phase critical regime cannot be ruled out. An aromatic solvent (toluene) does not inhibit WGS over  $MoS_2$  compared to an aliphatic solvent (n-octane).

Table 4.3.1. 1: Pseudo-first order rate constants for WGS and naphthalene HYD under noctane and toluene (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml Solvent, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller)

Solvent	$k_{CO}, (s^{-1})$	$k_{NAPH}, (s^{-1})$
n-Octane (Experiment #7)	8.65*10 <sup>-5</sup>	7.73*10 <sup>-5</sup>
Toluene (Experiment #25)	$1.61*10^{-4}$	1.30*10 <sup>-4</sup>

## 4.3. 2 Effect of Solvent type on Hydrogenation: n-octane vs. toluene

For n-octane,  $H_2$  is limiting until about 100 minutes, however the measured rate fits a pseudo-first order rate relationship for naphthalene quite well. For toluene,  $H_2$  is in excess at 40 minutes due to the fast rate of water gas shift initially. Gas concentrations were calculated from pressure and composition measurements of the gases flashed from a high-pressure reactor sample. The excess of  $H_2$  present occurs because water gas shift begins at a lower temperature than hydrogenation. The higher rate constant of HYD in toluene/water (1.30 x  $10^{-4}$  s<sup>-1</sup>) compared to n-octane/water (7.73 x  $10^{-5}$  s<sup>-1</sup>) may be due to the higher concentration of hydrogen in the toluene/water system. An aromatic solvent (toluene) does not inhibit hydrogenation compared to an aliphatic solvent (n-octane).

## 4.4 Effect of Gas Atmosphere and Isotope of Water on Naphthalene Hydrogenation in n-octane/water

Taking the deuterium labeling experiments as a basis, additional experiments were performed under similar conditions but substituting normal water for heavy water. This was done to determine if an isotope substitution for hydrogen in water had a significant effect on HYD activity. Rate constants are presented in Table 4.4.1. In addition a

Table 4.4. 1: Measured pseudo-first order rate constants for Isotope and Gas Type (600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Run Order	Water Isotope, H <sub>2</sub> O (-)	Gas Type,	Pseudo-First Order Naphthalene	Pseudo-First Order Irrev. WGS Rate
	D <sub>2</sub> O (+)	H <sub>2</sub> (+)	Rate Constant, $k_{\text{NAPH}}(10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	Constant, $k_{CO}(10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$
2	D <sub>2</sub> O	H <sub>2</sub>	21.0	
2R1	D <sub>2</sub> O	H <sub>2</sub>	19.8	
17	H <sub>2</sub> O	H <sub>2</sub>	24.3	
28	H <sub>2</sub> O	H <sub>2</sub>	20.2	
5	D <sub>2</sub> O	СО	8.67	
5R1	D <sub>2</sub> O	СО	7.42	7.50
5R2	D <sub>2</sub> O	СО	7.33	6.83
7	H <sub>2</sub> O	СО	8.55	11.30
14	D <sub>2</sub> O	$CO/H_2 (mol ratio = 1:1)$	7.83	9.58
1	D <sub>2</sub> O	$CO/H_2 (mol ratio = 1:1)$	2.02	8.50
1R1	D <sub>2</sub> O	$\overline{CO/H_2}$ (mol ratio = 1:1)	5.33	7.67

comparison between in-situ generated hydrogen and molecular hydrogen can be performed. From the ANOVA results only the type of gas has a significant effect on the HYD rate in n-octane/water (Table 4.4.2). Molecular hydrogen gives a significant increase in rate over in-situ generated  $H_2$  under n-octane/water at 340 °C, while the opposite was observed in toluene/water (Zhang 2005).

Table 4.4.2: ANOVA Table for Hydrogenation pseudo-first order rate constant,  $k_{NAPH}$  (Gas Type, Hydrogen Isotope in Water) (600 psig, 15 pis H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Source	Effect on $k_{\text{NAPH}} (10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	$SS_i$ (10 <sup>-10</sup> s <sup>-2</sup> )	DF	$\frac{\text{MS}_{\text{i}}}{(10^{-10} \text{ s}^{-2})}$	$\begin{array}{l} F_{experimental} = \\ MS_i \ / \ MS_e \end{array}$
Main Effect	,				
Gas Type	13.155	173.1	1	173.1	67.86
CO (-) or					
$H_{2}(+)$					
Isotope	-1.285	1.651	1	1.651	< 1
H <sub>2</sub> O (-) or					
D <sub>2</sub> O (+)					
Interaction					
Effects					
Gas x Isotope	-0.545	0.297	1	0.297	< 1
Error			4	2.55	
$F_{critical} =$					7.71
<b>F</b> <sub>1,4,0.05</sub>					

## 4.4. 1 Hydrogenation under $CO/H_2O/H_2S$ and $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ in n-octane/water

The pseudo-first order rate constants  $k_{CO}$  and  $k_{NAPH}$  under various gas atmospheres are shown in Table 4.4.1.1. For CO/H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O and H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O, the hydrogen concentration over

reaction time does not change considerably (Figures 4.4.1.1-4.4.1.3). For molecular  $H_2$ , dividing  $k_{NAPH}$  by the hydrogen concentration yields a pseudo-second order rate constant, k"<sub>NAPH</sub> (Table 4.4.1.1). k"<sub>NAPH</sub> for both the  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$  and  $N_2/H_2/H_2O/H_2S$  runs (experiments #17 and #29) are very similar (average 9.39 x 10<sup>-2</sup> g s<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>) which suggests that under molecular  $H_2$  the pseudo-second order rate constant is relevant. Water is known to inhibit HDS (Lee 2006). Generation of in-situ hydrogen consumes water, while the water content of the emulsion under ex-situ hydrogen should remain constant. Under synthesis gas, the hydrogen initially present is supplemented by in-situ generated

Table 4.4.1 1: Comparison of pseudo-first order rate constants for water gas shift and hydrogenation under different initial gas atmospheres (600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-Octane, 28.9 Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Initial Gas Charge	$k_{CO}$ , (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	$k_{\text{NAPH}}, (10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	* Pseudo- steady state [H <sub>2</sub> ] (10 <sup>-4</sup> mol/g-Liq)	k" <sub>NAPH</sub> (g s <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> )
$\begin{array}{rcl} CO/H_2O/H_2S & (mol \\ CO:H_2O &=& 1:2) \\ Experiment \#7 \end{array}$	8.65	8.55	pseudo-steady state n/a	
$CO/H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ (mol CO:H_2:H_2O = 1:1:4) Experiment #15	11.2	9.50	15.0	0.0598
$N_2/H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ (mol N <sub>2</sub> :H <sub>2</sub> :H <sub>2</sub> O = 1:1:4) Experiment #29		8.67	9.5	0.0955
$H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ (mol $H_2:H_2O = 1:2$ ) (Experiment #17 & 28)		22.3	20.0	0.0922

\* Appendix B
hydrogen thereby increasing the hydrogen concentration. However, when CO is present in syngas k"<sub>NAPH</sub> is considerably lower (5.98 x  $10^{-2}$  g s<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>) in n-octane/water than when CO is absent. This may indicate that CO competes with H<sub>2</sub> or naphthalene for adsorption to active sites.

Competitive adsorption between CO,  $H_2$  and aromatic species on sulfur vacancies may inhibit the various reactions. This assumes that significant adsorption occurs on sulfur vacancies. Theoretical studies of ideal triangular  $MoS_x$  nanoclusters indicate removal of surface sulfur via  $H_2S$  desorption in the presence of CO is energetically favourable while



Figure 4.4.1.1: Experiment #15, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> and Naphthalene Concentrations ((1:1 molar CO/H<sub>2</sub>)/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S), 600 psig, 15 H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-Octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

 $H_2S$  adsorption is favoured without CO (Zeng et al. 2005; Zeng et al. 2005). Production of COS from CO and liberated surface sulfur to form sulfur vacancies on the catalyst may occur analogous to  $H_2S$  formation from  $H_2$  and surface sulfur. Liu and Ng found that HDS of dibenzothiophene increased as the ratio of CO: $H_2$  increased and the rate of HDS was higher with in-situ generated hydrogen (Liu 2008). In contrast to hydrogenation, the initial step in direct desulfurization may be adsorption of thiophenic sulfur to sulfur



Figure 4.4.1.2: Experiment #28,  $H_2$  and Naphthalene Concentrations ( $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ ), 600 psig, 15 psi  $H_2S$ , 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-Octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)



Figure 4.4.1.3: Experiment #29, N<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> and Naphthalene Concentrations ( (1:1 molar N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>)/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S), 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-Octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

vacancies followed by hydrogenation to  $H_2S$  and cleavage of C-S bonds. More facile removal of surface sulfur by CO to generate sulfur vacancies may enhance direct desulfurization.

### 4.5 Deuterium Substitution in Water: Effect on the WGS Rate in noctane/water

When  $D_2O$  is used a decrease in the WGS rate is observed compared to  $H_2O$ . The measured apparent isotope effects for water gas shift are shown in Table 4.5.1.1, while the rate constants are displayed in Figure 4.5.1.1. An apparent normal isotope effect ( $k_{H2O}$  /

 $k_{D2O}$ ) of 1.58 was observed for n-octane/water, which suggests that the rate determining

step is not inconsistent with dissociation of a bond containing hydrogen.

Table 4.5.1. 1: Normal Kinetic Isotope Effect ( $k_{H2O}/k_{D2O}$ ) for Pseudo-First Order WGS Rate Constant (CO) (600 psig, 15 pis H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-Octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Initial Gas Composition	Pseudo-First Order Irrev. WGS Rate Constant, k <sub>C0,H20</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Pseudo-First Order Irrev. WGS Rate Constant, k <sub>C0,D20</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	WGS Rate Based CO KIE (k <sub>CO, H2O</sub> /k <sub>CO,D2O</sub> )
СО	11.3 <sup>A</sup>	$7.17^{B}$	1.58
CO/H <sub>2</sub> (1:1 molar)	11.2 <sup>C</sup>	8.58 <sup>D</sup>	1.30

A – Expt. #7; B – Expt. #5, 5R1, 5R2; C-Expt. 15; D – Expt. #1, 1R1, 14

Kinetic isotope studies have been performed on various water gas shift catalysts including Pt/CeO<sub>2</sub> and Rh/PtCeO<sub>2</sub>. Shido and Iwasawa, using combinations of isotopically labelled formates and D<sub>2</sub>O or H<sub>2</sub>O found the rate of bidentate formate decomposition to depend only on the C-H hydrogen isotope in the formate over Rh/CeO<sub>2</sub> (Shido 1993). The apparent kinetic isotope effect ( $k_{C-H} / k_{C-D}$ ) was between 1.4 – 1.5. Using a Pt/CeO<sub>2</sub> catalyst, Jacobs et al. compared CO conversion between H<sub>2</sub>O and D<sub>2</sub>O in a flow reactor and found a normal apparent kinetic isotope effect of 1.3 – 1.4, by which the rate controlling step was observed to be decomposition of formate C-H/C-D by Diffuse



Figure 4.5.1.1: Measured pseudo-first order rate constants for  $k_{CO}$  under H<sub>2</sub>O and D<sub>2</sub>O at a 90% Confidence Interval (CO/H(D)<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml Water, 100 ml n-Octane, 28.9 mmol Naphthalene, 0.39 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Spectroscopy (DRIFTS) (Jacobs et al. 2004). Similar values of  $k_H/k_D$  were found by comparing the apparent kinetic isotope effects of deuterated formate decomposition with WGS rate using CO/D<sub>2</sub>O. Jacobs et al. observed an apparent correlation between the intensity of the C-H(D) bond vibration through IR spectroscopy and WGS conversion over Pt/CeO<sub>2</sub> catalysts and concluded formate decomposition was the rate determining step over this catalyst (Jacobs et al. 2004). Meunier et al. utilized a custom-built DRIFTS cell that eliminated complications due to cell dead-volumes and residence times which they used to quantify rates of <sup>13</sup>CO exchange to differentiate between carbonate and formate decomposition (Meunier et al. 2007). Analysis of their data suggested that formate formation was much slower than CO<sub>2</sub> formation and concluded that formate could not be a significant pathway over a Au/LaCeO<sub>2</sub> WGS catalyst. Kim and Iglesia isotopically assessed the kinetics of CH<sub>3</sub>OH-H<sub>2</sub>O reforming reactions over supported Cu catalysts (Kim 2008). Reaction rates were measured for various deuterated mixtures. The kinetic isotope effect (KIE) of CH<sub>3</sub>OH/CD<sub>3</sub>OH was 2.6 versus 1.5 for CH<sub>3</sub>OH/CH<sub>3</sub>OD. They concluded C-H bond activation leading to methoxide decomposition was irreversible and kinetically significant while for hydroxyl dissociation the measured rates represented a thermodynamic isotope effect due to quasi-equilibrium on the surface (Kim 2008). Other studies noted similar effects of 2.5 – 4.0 were measured for the methyl C-H activation during methanol dehydrogenation (Kim 2008). A (C-H)/(C-D) KIE of 2.9 was reported for formic acid decomposition over Cu(110) at 460 K (Madix 1992). The measured isotope effect of 1.58 over MoS<sub>2</sub> prepared from PMA is close to the isotope effects measured by DRIFTS from Jacobs et al. and Shido and Iwasawa (Shido 1993; Jacobs et al. 2004). However, these isotope effects are very similar to the hydroxyl dissociation pseudo-equilibrium effect determined by Kim and Iglesia (Kim 2008) and may indicate that a single rate determining step in the DRIFTS reactor studies was not dominant. Gines et al. suggested for the reverse water gas shift over Cu that under different ratios of  $P_{H2}/P_{CO2}$  a different limiting step was operative (Gines et al. 1997). Under batch conditions the concentration of surface species may be transient since the ratio  $\frac{P_{CO}P_{H2O}}{P_{\mu A}P_{COA}}$  changes as the reaction proceeds. Therefore, any kinetically rate limiting steps may be masked by side reactions

During water gas shift in a hydrocarbon emulsion, Milad et al. found that an increase in catalyst concentration and water content led to greater  $CO_2$  absorption

or a change in relevant surface mechanism.

(compared to  $H_2$ ) in the liquid phase (Milad 1994). Increased gas absorption occurs in liquids with dispersed solids and this could indicate that  $CO_2$  is more strongly adsorbed to the MoS<sub>2</sub> surface than  $H_2$  (Milad 1994). However,  $CO_2$  is also more soluble in water than CO. Strong adsorption of  $CO_2$  on the catalyst surface may also contribute to throttling the rate of water gas shift. A detailed kinetic and spectroscopic analysis could be performed to determine if desorption or chemical reaction is rate limiting.

# 4. 6 In-situ DRIFTS of $MoS_2$ from thermal decomposition of ATTM and hydrothermally sulfided PMA

Adsorption of CO and H<sub>2</sub> may result in a competitive relationship between WGS and HYD. Diffuse Reflectance Infrared Fourier Transform Spectroscopy (DRIFTS) was performed to probe CO adsorption on unsupported MoS<sub>2</sub>.

#### 4.6. 1 Thermal Decomposition of ATTM under vacuum

 $(NH_4)_2MoS_4$  (ATTM) was thermally decomposed in the DRIFTS cell under vacuum at 300 °C according to the procedure utilized by Tsganenko et al. (Tsyganenko et al. 2004). The decomposition of ATTM to MoS<sub>2</sub> occurs via MoS<sub>3</sub> and liberates ammonia; formation of MoS<sub>2</sub> occurs at 573 K (300 °C) (Tsyganenko et al. 2004). During decomposition under high vacuum NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S and sulfur are evacuated from the cell as they are generated (Tsyganenko et al. 2004).

$$(NH_4)_2MoS_4 \rightarrow 2NH_3 + H_2S + MoS_3 \rightarrow MoS_2 + S$$

The DRIFTS spectrum of decomposed ATTM at 300 °C under vacuum is shown (Figure 4.6.1.1). Absorptivity changes in the powdered sample may be reflected by broad changes in absorbance over large wavenumber regions, while molecular absorption features may appear better resolved with defined, sharp absorbances. Two broad absorptions between 2800 – 3000 appear in the spectrum which is within the absorption region indicative of C-H stretching, but no carbon source should be present. S-H absorptions occur between 2400 – 2700 cm<sup>-1</sup> below the range of these features. Figure 4.6.1.1 is included as a reference spectrum for the adsorption studies.



Figure 4.6.1.1: DRIFTS Spectrum of ATTM thermally decomposed under vacuum at 300 °C (300 °C at 0 minutes; 300 °C at 25 min; 300 °C at 60 minutes; 35 °C) (background from ATTM under  $N_2$  at room temperature subtracted)

# 4.6. 2 CO adsorption onto MoS<sub>2</sub> prepared from thermal decomposition of ATTM

 $MoS_2$  prepared from decomposition of ATTM was heated to 300 °C and subsequently exposed to a 9.94% CO/He flow. After confirming the presence of CO gas (2170 and 2143 cm<sup>-1</sup>) in the cell via DRIFTS, the cell was isolated. The recorded spectra at increasing time are shown in Figure 4.6.2.1. Exposure to CO at 300 °C results in adsorbed CO, with sharp vibrational absorptions occurring at 2070 cm<sup>-1</sup> and a slightly broader less intense absorption at 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Figure 4.6.2.1). The observed values agree well with literature data for bulk  $MoS_2$  (Table 4.6.2.1). For supported catalysts the most intense  $v_{CO}$  absorption occurs at higher wavenumbers (2157 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and corresponds



Figure 4.6.2.1: DRIFTS Spectra of  $MoS_2$  from ATTM reduced at 300 °C under CO (0 min; 15 min; 30 min) (background spectrum at 300 °C subtracted)

to increased acidity due to support interactions resulting in less back-donation of electrons from metal to CO (Mauge et al. 2001). In contrast, for unsupported  $MoS_2$  the most intense absorption occurs around  $2070 - 2060 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (Mauge et al. 2001). Interestingly, CO adsorption at lower wavenumbers ( $2050 - 2060 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) appears as a shoulder in the low temperature spectrum but is better resolved at higher temperatures (Mauge et al. 2001; Sarbak 2005). CO adsorption at decreasing wavenumbers indicates adsorption to more reduced coordinatively unsaturated sites (CUS). The different vibration bands of CO may

Conditions	$CO(cm^{-1})$	$CO_2(cm^{-1})$	COS
Gas	2170, 2143	2352	2062
		1337	859
		649	520
100 K	2165, 2135	2326	2038
Adsorbed on $MoS_2$ from	(physisorbed) 2100		854
thiomolybdate prepared in-situ			
(Tsyganenko et al. 2004, 189-			
197)			
	2157, 2134, 2086,	2331 (high	2032
Adsorbed on $MoS_2$ from	2070	coverage)	857
thiomolybdate prepared ex situ		2326 (low coverage)	
$(H_2/H_2S)$ (Manage et al. 2001, 271, 284)			
(Mauge et al. 2001, 271-284)	<b>A</b> 100 <b>A</b> 154 <b>A</b> 110		
//K Sulfided-Mo/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ,	2190, 2154, 2110,		
reduced in $H_2$ (4/3 K)	2060		
(Muller et al. 1993, 9028-9033)	2174 2105 2072		
3/3 K Sulfided Mo/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	21/4, 2105, 20/2,		
(Sarbak 2005, 263-270)	2051		
613 K	2095, 2065, 2010		
sulfided- $Mo/Al_2O_3$ under CO			
hydrogenation (Koizumi et al.			
2004, 173-182)			
Adsorbed on $MoS_2$ prepared	2070, 2052	2362, 2330	2052, 833?
from Phophomolybdic acid			
$MoS_2$ prepared in DRIFTS cell	2070, 2052		
from ATTM at 300 °C			

Table 4.6.2. 1: Vibrational Frequencies of CO,  $CO_2$  and COS over unsupported and supported  $MoS_2$ 

represent coordination to Mo in various reduced states; Scheme 4.6.2.1 illustrates possible adsorption scenarioes to explain the observed vibrational spectrum.  $MoS_2$  reduction under CO produces similar sulfur vacancies as reduction under  $H_2$  as seen by the similarity of



Scheme 4.6.2. 1: Possible multiple adsorption scenario for CO on MoS<sub>2</sub>

the adsorbed CO vibrational bands (Mauge et al. 2001; Sarbak 2005). Although the band at  $2052 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  is near one of the vibrational bands of gas phase COS (2062 cm<sup>-1</sup>), it is likely due to an adsorbed species since,

- i) no corresponding C-S vibrational absorption is at 859 cm<sup>-1</sup> is observed, and
- ii) the vibration band at high temperature is rather sharp and well-resolved unlike gas phase molecular vibrations (cf. gas phase CO at 2170 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 2143 cm<sup>-1</sup>).
- iii) although COS is present in the system it occurs at a small concentration not justified by the intensity of the  $2052 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  vibrational band

The intensity of the 2070  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  band is greater than that for the band at 2052  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

After activation at 300 °C, a gas sample was collected from the DRIFTS chamber and analyzed via GC-TCD to determine the composition of the gas mixture. The compositions are reported in Table 4.6.2.2. As can be noted, COS is present in minor amounts with no detectable  $H_2S$ . This suggests that a surface reaction occurs with CO analogous to that with  $H_2$ , for instance,

$$*S + CO \Leftrightarrow COS + *$$

From DRIFTS,  $v_{CO}$  at 340 °C under CO is similar to  $v_{CO}$  reported in literature observed during low-temperature FT-IR of unsupported MoS<sub>2</sub> activated under H<sub>2</sub> (Mauge et al. 2001). Reduction of MoS<sub>2</sub> under CO produces COS and sulfur vacancies, which from CO adsorption studies have similar characteristics as sulfur vacancies formed under H<sub>2</sub>.

Molecular Species	Mol %, External	Mol %, External
	Standard, 240 °C	Standard, 300 °C
Не	77.88	77.78
H <sub>2</sub>	0	0
O <sub>2</sub>	1.62482	2.17463
N <sub>2</sub>	13.3502	14.31849
CH <sub>4</sub>	0	0
СО	5.69671	1.96038
CO <sub>2</sub>	0	0
COS	1.43966	3.76344
H <sub>2</sub> S	0	0
Total	100	100

Table 4.6.2. 2: Gas Analysis from DRIFTS Experiments, CO reduction of  $MoS_2$  prepared from ATTM

Using TPR, Jacobsen et al. measured the temperature of  $H_2$  evolution from sulfided catalysts and suggested this method could be utilized to determine metal-sulfur bond strength (Jacobsen et al. 1999). Activity tests of HDS, HDN and HYD correlated with the order of metal-sulfur bond strength proposed earlier by Pecoraro and Chianelli (Pecoraro 1981),

$$RuS_2 < ReS_2 < MoS_2 < NbS_2 \sim Co_9S_8$$

Sulfur-oxygen exchange involving Mo vacancies on sulfided-Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> have also been suggested to be important in the WGS reaction (Hou et al. 1983). In the case of WGS, the metal-oxygen bond strength in addition to the metal-sulfur bond strength may be important; this may explain why molybdenum sulfides show appreciable water gas shift activity. Comparison of the metal-oxygen bond strength perhaps using temperatureprogrammed sulfidation for the metal series above may highlight which metal sulfides would be suitable as WGS catalysts.

Under conditions of WGS, water is present as a reagent on the catalyst surface. Water was exposed to  $MoS_2$  prepared from thermal decomposition of ATTM which was then exposed to (9.94 vol% CO)/He and heated from room temperature to 340 °C. Adsorption of CO similar to a dry catalyst occurs, with some formation of CO<sub>2</sub> possibly from WGS. For WGS to occur, CO must liberate surface S and form COS to produce sulfur vacancies allowing another CO molecule to adsorb. The sulfur vacancies or coordinatively unsaturated sites are similar regardless of the reductant. If WGS is activity is desired, CO can substitute for H<sub>2</sub> during catalyst activation to form sulfur vacancies.



Figure 4.6.2.2: CO adsorption on  $MoS_2$  from ATTM exposed to  $H_2O$  before treatment (240 °C, 280 °C, 340 °C)

# 4.6. 3 CO adsorption onto MoS<sub>2</sub> prepared from sulfided-PMA under CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S

The spectrum of  $MoS_2$  prepared from WGS and reduced under CO displays some notable features (Figure 4.6.3.1). Upon heating significant changes are seen between 750 – 1800 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The growth of bands in this region may be due to changes of surface species such as carbon sulfides or carbon oxysulfides such as xanthates (-OC(S)S-) which absorb strongly in the 1000 – 1200 cm<sup>-1</sup> region (Little 1966). The catalyst prepared in-situ during reaction

likely contain residual adsorbed surface species. XPS data from an earlier study of a catalyst sample prepared under similar conditions indicate that in addition to



Figure 4.6.3.1: DRIFTS Spectrum – Reduction of  $MoS_2$  (9.94% CO/He) at increasing temperature( 80-240 °C,  $\Delta T = 40$  °C) on  $MoS_2$  prepared ex-situ from PMA; PMA preparation conditions: 600 psig, 180 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 25 ml Water, 100 ml toluene, 4.09 g hydrated PMA, 1500 rpm impeller speed

Mo, S and O, appreciable amounts of C exist on the surface (Lee 2004). A sharp absorption occurring at 834 cm<sup>-1</sup> occurs in the region for C-S or C-O stretching or surface carbonate. A series of broad vibrational absorptions occurring between 1250 - 1400 cm<sup>-1</sup> could be due to various O-C-O vibrations on the catalyst surface. The DRIFTS spectrum for MoS<sub>2</sub> formed ex-situ from PMA may be more complex than for MoS<sub>2</sub> formed from ATTM due to residual surface contamination of C and O from reaction conditions.

Upon heating above 160 °C, gas phase CO bands (2170 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 2143 cm<sup>-1</sup>) decrease and new bands appear at 2070 and 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Figure 4.6.3.2), ascribed to adsorbed CO on unsupported MoS<sub>2</sub> (Mauge et al. 2001). Appearance of minor amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> (2352, 2330 cm<sup>-1</sup>) may be due to strong adsorption of residual CO<sub>2</sub>. The adsorbed CO is stable at room temperature under a sealed atmosphere as seen from the IR spectrum recorded after cooling (Figure 4.6.3.2). Upon flushing with N<sub>2</sub> to remove gas phase and weakly adsorbed species, CO<sub>2</sub> (2352, 2330 cm<sup>-1</sup>), gas phase CO (2170, 2143 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and adsorbed CO (2070, 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup>) disappear. Adsorbed CO is not very stable under flow conditions at room temperature and is markedly reduced even after 5 minutes of flushing. The inverted CO<sub>2</sub> band after 20 minutes flushing may be due to desorption of CO<sub>2</sub> initially present and adsorbed on the MoS<sub>2</sub> surface. Gas phase CH<sub>4</sub> can be seen from the low intensity vibrational absorption at 3020 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Figure 4.6.3.2). CO adsorption to sulfur vacancies begins at 160 °C with adsorption relatively stable under non-flow conditions when cooled to room temperature.



Figure 4.6.3.2: DRIFTS Spectrum after  $MoS_2$  reduction in CO/He Adsorbed CO at 22 °C (1); flushing with N<sub>2</sub> for 5 minutes (2); flushing with N<sub>2</sub> for 20 minutes (3) on  $MoS_2$  prepared ex-situ from PMA\*; \*(600 psig, 180 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 25 ml Water, 100 ml toluene, 4.09 g hydrated PMA, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

### 4.7 Comparison of Experimentally adsorbed CO to Theoretical Studies

The heterogeneity of the  $MoS_xO_y$  surface of  $MoS_2$  sulfided from PMA under reaction conditions complicates the spectroscopic interpretation due to residual reaction species.

Recent DFT studies have calculated theoretical vibrational frequencies for CO adsorbed to different MoS<sub>2</sub> vacancies. The vibrational bands at 2070 and 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> may represent CO adsorption on different sites of the MoS<sub>2</sub> particles. Theoretical calculations for  $v_{CO}$  adsorption on triangular and hexagonal MoS<sub>2</sub> nanoclusters were performed by Zeng et al. (Zeng et al. 2005; Zeng et al. 2005) For triangular and hexagonal clusters,  $v_{CO}$ 

on Mo corner sites was 2049 and 2045 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.  $v_{CO}$  on edge sites was 2075 cm<sup>-1</sup> <sup>1</sup> for triangular clusters and 2080 cm<sup>-1</sup> for hexagonal clusters, which are quite close to our observed bands at 2070 and 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup>. MoS<sub>2</sub> particles produced in-situ from PMA match literature dimension for hexagonal clusters as measured by HR-TEM (Liu 2008). However, the DFT calculations were performed for single clusters of pure MoS<sub>2</sub>; an unsupported catalyst that has undergone WGS is likely slightly oxidized with surface carbon and oxygen. Actual unsupported catalysts consist of stacked layers of MoS2 as revealed by HR-TEM (Eijsbouts et al. 2007). Comparison between theoretical calculations and the experimental results though not conclusive suggest our  $v_{CO}$ experimental assignments are reasonable. If these vibrational bands are indicative of CO adsorption to corner and edge sites, this may allow a rough semi-quantitative estimate of the ratio of sulfur vacancies on edge Mo to corner Mo by comparison with diffuse reflectance signal intensities. In addition, the ratio of absorbance intensity of CO at 2070 compared with 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> appears constant, indicating an equilibrium type relationship between these sites, which could be due to MoS<sub>2</sub> cluster morphology. Whether MoS<sub>2</sub> is reduced under H<sub>2</sub> or CO, the wavenumber of adsorbed CO does not change indicating that similar coordinatively unsaturated sites (cus) are formed (Mauge et al. 2001; Sarbak 2005).



Figure 4.7.1: Triangular Nano-cluster of  $MoS_2$ . Reprinted with permission from Zeng et al. (Zeng et al. 2005) . Copyright 2005 American Chemical Society.

### 4.8 Conclusion

Exchange of protons between aromatic species and water is accelerated in reducing (CO,  $H_2$ ) atmospheres versus  $N_2$  where sites of exchange may be related to sulfur vacancies on Mo. Comparison of the hydrogenation and exchange indices (HI and EI) for CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S indicates that exchange reactions incorporate deuterium to a greater extent than hydrogenation. The exchange mechanism may involve dissociation of  $H_2O$  and aromatic hydrogen; this dissociated hydrogen may help prevent coke formation during bitumen upgrading by terminating organic radicals and preventing condensation into solids.

The water gas shift rate was not inhibited by aromatic species (toluene) but rather was faster compared to n-octane/water. Under n-octane, the highest rate of hydrogenation occurred with  $H_2/H_2O$ , in contrast to results reported under toluene/water (Abusaido 1999). Comparing the WGS rate in  $H_2O$  versus  $D_2O$ , the measured apparent normal kinetic isotope effect of 1.58 is similar to a quasi-equilibrium thermodynamic isotope effect reported for hydroxyl group dissociation. KIE for C-H bond activations are closer to 2.5-4.0. This suggests under batch conditions the kinetic rate determining step may be masked by side reactions or a change in the kinetically limiting step due to transient reactant concentrations. Naphthalene hydrogenation is favoured over CO hydrogenation as observed by the significant conversion to tetralin relative to the trace concentrations of  $CH_4$  detected from TCD-GC analysis during batch autoclave experiments. Fu et al. observed a similar occurrence during hydrogenation of phenanthrene via water gas shift (Fu et al. 1995).

Adsorption of CO on the MoS<sub>2</sub> catalyst begins at 160 °C. Whether the formation of sulfur vacancies or the adsorption of CO is the key step may be probed using temperature-programmed catalyst studies. CO can substitute for  $H_2$  as a reducing agent by forming COS and producing sulfur vacancies which are believed to be active sites for hydrodesulfurization and hydrogenation. The substitution of CO for  $H_2$  would be preferred to remove water from bitumen emulsions while producing hydrogen via the WGS.

#### 4.9 Recommendations

Temperature Programmed Reduction (TPR) and desorption (TPD) with CO could be performed to determine surface coverage and bond strength of adsorbed CO or COS. This may allow comparison of the bond strengths (TPR temperature) between not only CO and H<sub>2</sub> adsorption, but also between different CO adsorptive modes. Quantification of the  $v_{CO}$  vibrational bands at 2070 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> during temperature programmed DRIFTS studies may elucidate further details about the nature of each adsorption mode. The degree of sulfidation of catalyst may also affect CO adsorption. Comparison of D<sub>2</sub>O and H<sub>2</sub>O in DRIFTS studies of WGS over MoS<sub>2</sub> may also help identify possible surface intermediates, but this should be performed in a flow type DRIFTS reaction cell to avoid masking of kinetically relevant steps during batch reaction conditions.

### **Chapter 5: Ruthenium, Iron and Vanadium with MoS<sub>2</sub>**

### 5.1 Introduction

One of the main goals in developing better upgrading catalysts is to increase the hydrogenation activity of catalysts in oil/water emulsions, especially to improve their activity in water. An alternative to this theme could be to improve and exploit a high WGS activity which would rapidly decrease the water concentration while increasing the availability of hydrogen.

Ru from two precursors, ruthenium (III) acetylacetonate (Ru(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, where C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub> = acac) and ruthenium (0) carbonyl (Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>) were sulfided in-situ and tested for their water gas shift and hydrogenation activity with naphthalene in a toluene/water emulsion. Additional experiments were performed to determine the promoting ability of Ru on Mo. In these experiments the total molar concentration (Ru + Mo) was held constant while the Ru atomic fraction, r ,was varied where r,

$$r = \frac{Ru}{Mo + Ru}$$

Fe and V with Mo and V with NiMo were tested to determine their activity for water gas shift and in-situ hydrogenation of naphthalene using  $FeSO_4$  and  $VO(acac)_2$  as precursors in toluene/water.  $FeSO_4$  was chosen because it is cheap while an organic soluble VO precursor was chosen to model chelated vanadyl porphyrins found in bitumen (Semple et al. 1990). The results are compared to reactions using only Mo from PMA. The concentration of Mo (1.16 mmole) remained the same in all experiments while the total metal concentration was varied by addition of Fe, Ni or V precursors (0.70 mmole each). The additive concentrations were chosen according to the optimal Ni:Mo ratio of 0.6 determined for an unsupported, dispersed Mo catalyst (Zhang 2005). This was done to determine the feasibility of metals deposition from asphaltenes during bitumen upgrading versus comparison to the base case of Mo catalyst only.

# 5. 2 Activity of $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ and $Ru(C_5H_{10}O_2)_3$ in Water Gas Shift and Naphthalene Hydrogenation

### 5.2. 1 Water Gas Shift and Conversion of CO under Ru

Comparison of  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  and phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) under  $CO/H_2O/H_2S$ indicates conversion of CO at similar reaction times is higher for Mo than Ru (Figure 5.2.1.1).  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  is known to catalyze the water gas shift very rapidly , therefore the presence of sulfur might be inhibiting. The pseudo-first order rate constant for  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ (2.71 x 10<sup>-3</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>) is lower than for  $MoS_2$  (5.58 x 10<sup>-3</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>, sulfided from PMA) at 340 °C. In addition, it is quite evident that the initial CO mol% for PMA is much lower than for  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ , 33.5 mol% versus 76.9 mol% respectively. For reference, the blank "wall effect" rate constants are reported in Table D.2, Appendix D (Experiment #30). The wall effect is considered constant and therefore any difference in kinetics between Ru and Mo would reflect differences in catalyst activity.



Figure 5.2.1. 1: Mol% of CO under  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  (Experiment #33) and Phosphomolybdic Acid (Experiment #32) (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 3.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 35.1 mmol NAPH, 0.47 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

## 5.2. 2 Naphthalene Hydrogenation to Tetralin catalyzed by Ru3(CO)12 and Ru(acac)3 under CO/H2O/H2S

Plots of naphthalene concentration versus reaction time at 340 °C are shown in Figure 5.2.2.1. Note that hydrogenation conditions for PMA and  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  are for initial loading of CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S. Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> showed negligible WGS activity, therefore naphthalene hydrogenation was tested separately under H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S. PMA under CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S displays the best rate of conversion for naphthalene. Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> displays no activity for hydrogenation, while Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> under molecular hydrogen does have some catalytic behaviour but still lags the activity of in-situ hydrogen catalyzed by PMA (Figure

5.2.2.1.). This is surprising since Ru sulfided in N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S at 400 °C is known to have a higher activity than Mo for hydrogenation (Geantet et al. 1991). The poor hydrogenation performance observed with the Ru unsupported catalyst prepared from both the Ru<sup>0</sup> carbonyl and Ru<sup>3+</sup> acetylacetonate precursors (red toluene solutions) may be due to incomplete sulfidation of Ru at 340 °C (613 K) as indicated by the reddish hue of collected liquid samples. The reddish colour did not disappear until after 90 minutes of reaction time. The low H<sub>2</sub>S concentration (15 psi), low temperature (340 °C) and presence of hydrogen formed during WGS may favour reduction of Ru rather than formation of active RuS<sub>2</sub> phases. The absence of orange (Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>) or red-brown



Figure 5.2.2. 1: Naphthalene Concentration during Hydrogenation with  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  (Experiment #33),  $Ru(acac)_3$  (Experiment #34) and PMA (Experiment #32) (600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 3.0°C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 35.1 mmol NAPH, 0.47 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed )

 $(Ru(acac)_3)$  colour in the collected end product (120 minutes) and the presence of black solids may indicate transformation to sulfides or oxysulfides by the end of reaction; nonetheless the WGS and hydrogenation activity of Ru prepared from  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  and  $Ru(acac)_3$  precursors is negligible compared to PMA.

# 5.3 Activity of $Ru(C_5H_{10}O_2)_3$ with Phosphomolybdic Acid for water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation in toluene/water emulsions

5.3. 1 Introduction

Following the poor ability of  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$  and  $Ru(acac)_3$  to independently catalyze water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation compared to PMA (possibly due to difficulty in forming active  $RuS_2$ ), it was decided to test the activity of RuMo sulfides by utilizing  $Ru(acac)_3$  and PMA simultaneously. An r value of 0.25 was chosen as this ratio exhibited the highest hydrogenation activity for RuMo when sulfided in N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S (Geantet et al. 1991), where r,

 $r = \frac{Ru}{Mo + Ru}$ 

#### 5.3. 2 Water Gas Shift for Ru-doped Mo sulfide catalysts

Gas phase compositions for the reference experiment performed using PMA at 1500 ppm Mo (1.16 mmole) are shown in Figure 5.3.2.1, while the run with Ru promotion at r = 0.25 is shown in Figure 5.3.2.2. It can be seen that the conversion of CO via water gas shift is much faster in the Mo system (Figure 5.3.2.1) than the binary RuMo system (Figure 5.3.2.2) at 340 °C. At the beginning of reaction time, the CO concentration is less than 10 mol% for Mo while for RuMo the CO concentration is 36 mol%. Irreversible pseudo-first order rate constants for CO conversion are shown in Table 5.3.2.1.  $k_{CO}$  for RuMo is 1.47 x 10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> compared to 2.05 x 10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for Mo. Ru added to PMA does not appear to promote WGS.



Figure 5.3.2. 1: Gas-phase compositions for Mo (Experiment #10) (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)



Figure 5.3.2. 2: Gas-phase compositions for RuMo (Experiment #36) (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 0.87 mmole Mo, 0.29 mmole Ru, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Table 5.3.2. 1: Pseudo-first order Rate Constants for MoS<sub>2</sub> and RuMoS<sub>2</sub> catalysts

	Mo (1500 ppm)	<sup>B</sup> Experiment #10	<sup>A,B</sup> Experiment #36
	4.486 mmol Mo	Mo (1500 ppm)	RuMo (r=0.25)
		1.16 mmol Mo	0.87 mmol Mo
			0.29 mmole Ru
$k_{CO} (10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1})$	*3.03	2.05 (irrev.)	1.47
	**2.0	4.19 (rev.)	
$k_{\text{NAPH}} (10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	*8.5	11.1	5.47
	**6.7		

\* (Abusaido 1999)

\*\*(Zhang 2005)

<sup>A</sup> Ruthenium precursor =  $Ru(acac)_3$ 

 $^{B}$ (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 3.0°C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

## 5.3. 3 Naphthalene Hydrogenation to Tetralin for Ru-doped Mo sulfide catalysts

The plot of naphthalene and tetralin concentration versus reaction time at 340 °C is shown in Figures 5.3.3.1 and 5.3.3.2 for Mo and RuMo respectively. Values of  $k_{NAPH}$  were shown in Table 5.3.2.1. Clearly the unpromoted Mo system hydrogenates much faster than when the Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> precursor is added to PMA. The slow rate of hydrogenation for the promoted RuMo system may be due to slow sulfidation and reduction of the Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> precursor. The Ru precursor dissolves in the toluene solvent to give a deep red solution; liquid samples did not shed their reddish tinge until approximately 90 minutes of reaction time. Geantet et al. reported that whether a synergistic effect of Ru promotion on Mo is observed depends upon the preparation method such as calcination, balance gas used



Figure 5.3.3. 1: Organic-Phase Concentrations for Mo catalyst (Experiment #10) (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 1500 rpm impeller speed)



Figure 5.3.3. 2: Organic-Phase Concentrations for RuMo catalyst (Experiment #36) (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C at 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 0.87 mmole Mo; 0.29 mmole Ru, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

during catalyst sulfidation (H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S versus N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S), and sulfidation temperature (Geantet et al. 1991). Impregnation of Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> with Ru (III) acetate yielded poor hydrotreatment performance compared with unpromoted Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> when calcined, but did provide a synergistic effect with no calcination (Mitchell et al. 1987). Geantet et al.studied hydrogenation of biphenyl on RuMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Geantet et al. 1991) and found that the highest activity occurred after sulfidation in N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S (15% H<sub>2</sub>S) at 673 K. HR-TEM revealed RuS<sub>2</sub> particles were dispersed in close proximity with MoS<sub>2</sub> particles. In contrast to hydrogenation, the hydrodesulfurization activity of RuMo is maximum at higher sulfidation temperatures (873 – 973 K) in N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S (15% H<sub>2</sub>S), where the sulfide crystallites were more distinctly heterogeneous (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008). The sulfidation of RuMo catalysts in H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S did not give activities as high as those prepared under N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>S. Ru sulfided at 673 K forms amorphous RuS<sub>2</sub> with Ru sites that can be reduced and has excellent activity for naphthalene hydrogenation but is not as active for hydrodesulfurization as MoS<sub>2</sub> (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008). It was reported that sulfidation of Ru precursors at temperatures of 873 - 973 K (15% H<sub>2</sub>S) gave a very stable pyrite form of ruthenium sulfide that has excellent hydrodesulfurization capabilities with reduced hydrogenation activity (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008). Ru is an excellent example where different forms of the metal sulfide are active for different reactions.

MoS<sub>2</sub> may be formed rapidly since at the start of reaction, substantial WGS and some hydrogenation has already occurred. The red hue of the recovered liquid samples remains until approximately 90 minutes reaction time. Active MoS<sub>2</sub> is formed at temperatures below 340 °C as inferred by the significant CO conversion at 340 °C. Since Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> is red in solution, if the disappearance of red indicates sulfidation/reduction of Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> and does not occur until 90 minutes at 340 °C, ruthenium sulfides may deposit as crystallites, possibly covering some active MoS<sub>2</sub> sites. Under the studied conditions (2.5% H<sub>2</sub>S, 613 K, CO/H<sub>2</sub>O), Ru is not an attractive catalyst or promoter for Mo due to the expense and negligible activity of Ru alone or in conjunction with Mo.

# 5.4 FeMo, VMo, NiMo and VNiMo-sulfide unsupported, dispersed catalysts

The promotion effect of Ni for both HDS and hydrogenation has been extensively studied previously and gives a significant increase in catalytic activity with in-situ generated hydrogen compared with unpromoted  $MoS_2$  (Zhang 2005). From an economic perspective, the cost of using Fe is attractive since it could be used in a once-through

process. In addition to Ni, large quantities of V are present in bitumen asphaltenes (Dunn et al. 2003; Miller 1999). If vanadium can be demetallized and sulfided into an active form for hydrogenation and HDS, the active residue could be recycled as catalyst. Bulk vanadium sulfides and Mo-promoted vanadium sulfides have been shown to have good hydrogenation activity but low hydrodesulfurization ability (Lacroix et al. 1992; Hubaut 2007). A water gas shift catalyst such as molybdenum sulfide would be required for insitu generation of hydrogen. As mentioned previously, Ni is an excellent promoter for hydrogenation when used in conjunction with Mo. Ni is also found in substantial amounts in Athabasca bitumen (Dunn et al. 2003). Under conditions of in-situ upgrading, it may be expected that metals deposition of Ni and V onto dispersed, unsupported catalyst may occur, similar to deposition onto supported hydroprocessing catalysts (Yumoto et al. 1996). However, if sulfidation of PMA occurs simultaneously with Ni and V sulfide formation, this may alter the structure of the final catalyst such that it behaves closer to promoted vanadium sulfide catalysts. Previous work utilizing hydrogen generated in-situ to upgrade bitumen emulsions with an unsupported, dispersed catalyst found that the upgraded liquid had significantly reduced metal concentrations (Moll 1999). It was suggested that the metals were deposited onto the residual solid fraction recovered from the upgrading experiments. Therefore, it is important to determine what effect Ni and V deposition may have on the MoS<sub>2</sub> catalyzed water gas shift and subsequent in-situ hydrogenation of model bitumen compounds. Experiments with Fe, Ni and V as additives to Mo were performed and compared to the base-case of pure Mo (1.16 mmol). In all experiments the concentration of Mo was held constant while the total metal concentration was varied by addition of Fe, Ni or V precursors. This was performed in order to model the effect of metals deposition from asphaltenes onto the  $MoS_2$  catalyst.

## 5.4. 1 Naphthalene Hydrogenation activity for sulfided Mo, FeMo, VMo, NiMo and NiVMo Catalysts

The pseudo-first order irreversible rate constants for naphthalene hydrogenation and water gas shift are listed in Table 5.4.1.1 and shown in Figure 5.4.1.1. Blank kinetic reactor "wall effects" are shown in Table D.2, Appendix D (Experiment #12) for comparison.

Table 5.4.1. 1: Pseudo-first order rate constants for NAPH hydrogenation and water gas shift over Mo and Mixed-metal Mo catalysts (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

<b>Binary Catalyst</b>	k <sub>NAPH</sub> (x 10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Irrev. k <sub>CO</sub> (x 10 <sup>-4</sup> s	<b>Rev.</b> k <sub>CO</sub> (x 10 <sup>-4</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
(Run Order)		1)	
Mo (#40)	18.8	2.05	4.02
MoFe (#37)	6.83	1.41	2.25
MoV (#38)	6.08	2.36	3.03
MoNi (#39)	21.0	1.35	1.61
MoNiV (#41)	13.7	1.73	2.19

The MoS<sub>2</sub> catalyst prepared from PMA gives  $k_{NAPH}$  of 18.8 x 10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>. Both Fe and V, each in combination with Mo, inhibit hydrogenation when added to PMA. The Ni promoted catalyst, NiMo sulfide gives the highest hydrogenation activity of 21.0 x 10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> as expected. Mo yields a rate constant of 18.8 x 10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>. The ternary VNiMo-sulfided catalyst activity is impaired (13.7 x 10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) compared to pure Mo and Ni. The presence of vanadium in VNiMo sulfide decreases naphthalene hydrogenation compared to NiMo



Figure 5.4.1. 1: Pseudo-First Order Rate Constants for Naphthalene Hydrogenation over Mo and Mixed-metal Mo catalysts (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

and the base-case Mo, but the activity is still high relative to Fe and V. The order of the calculated pseudo-first order irreversible hydrogenation rate constants is,  $k_{NAPH}$ :

The graph of  $H_2$  mol% supports the high activity of NiMo (Figure 5.4.1.2). The mol% of  $H_2$  is lowest at all reaction times for NiMo which indicates consumption of hydrogen in naphthalene hydrogenation. Table 5.4.1.2 lists the conversion of naphthalene as a function of isothermal reaction time at 340 °C. The order for naphthalene conversion at 120 minutes is

#### NiMo > Mo > VNiMo > FeMo > VMo

Figure 5.4.1.3 shows the naphthalene conversions for various doped- $MoS_2$  over the reaction time. NiMo displays the highest activity in hydrogenation in agreement with previous studies (Zhang 2005).

In the hydrogenation of toluene over alumina-supported catalysts, the effect of V was studied by depositing vanadyl octaethylporphyrin onto Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Hubaut 2007). As the percentage of V deposits increased, the activity for a Mo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>



Figure 5.4.1. 2: Normalized H<sub>2</sub> mol% during reaction for various doped-Mo catalysts (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min,  $340^{\circ}$ C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)
Table 5.4.1. 2: Naphthalene Conversion at 120 minutes (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Binary Catalyst	Naphthalene Conversion	Normalized mol% CO at
	at 120 minutes (%)	120 minutes
Мо	76.22%	1.97%
MoFe	45.80%	6.09%
MoV	40.10%	3.77%
MoNi	81.3%	5.72%
MoNiV	66.30%	2.85%



Figure 5.4.1.3: Naphthalene Conversion for FeMo, VMo, NiMo and VNiMo unsupported, dispersed catalysts (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

catalyst increased; the opposite trend was observed for V deposited on  $NiMo/Al_2O_3$  (Hubaut 2007). In contrast, catalysts prepared hydrothermally in-situ from sulfided-PMA

displayed inhibited hydrogenation when vanadium was incorporated. Yumoto et al. studied Ni and V deposition onto a sulfided NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst and found that while nickel did not affect activity, vanadium inhibited hydrogenation of naphthalene, but enhanced the hydrogenative desulfurization pathway in dibenzothiophene HDS (Yumoto et al. 1996). Kim and Massoth compared deposition of a vanadium salt and vanadium tetraphenylporphyrin onto a sulfided NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst and found that while vanadium deactivated the catalyst, the vanadium salt impaired activity to a greater degree than the vanadium tetraphenylporphyrin (Kim 1993). Lacroix et al. (Lacroix et al. 1992) prepared bulk vanadium and molybdenum-promoted vanadium sulfides from thermal decomposition of ammonium thiosalt precursors and tested their hydrogenation and cracking activity with biphenyl. An atomic ratio, r, of 0.35 yielded the higest rate, where,

$$r = Mo / (Mo+V)$$

XPS, XRD and STEM analysis indicated that  $V_5S_8$  and  $MoS_2$  species were present, where  $V_5S_8$  acts as a support to the highly-dispersed layered  $MoS_2$ -phase. The presence of benzene and cyclohexane indicated cracking of biphenyl over these catalysts. Pure vanadium sulfide was found to be more active in hydrogenation than molybdenum sulfide but is less active than nickel-promoted molybdenum sulfide (Lacroix et al. 1992); the highest activity occurred at r = 0.35 (Table 5.4.1.3). The decrease in activity observed when V is deposited on NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> has been ascribed to substitution of the Ni by V in promotion sites in catalytic clusters (Ledoux et al. 1987).

The ternary sulfide VNiMo prepared from VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, NiSO<sub>4</sub> and PMA with an atomic ratio of Ni:V:Mo of 0.6:0.6:1 { $r_{Mo} = (Mo / (Mo + V + Ni)) = 0.45$  and  $r_{Ni} = 0.27$ } qualitatively behaves similarly to vanadium-deactivated MoS<sub>2</sub> catalysts rather than molybdenum-promoted vanadium sulfides since hydrogenation is inhibited compared to NiMo and Mo. However, the presence of Ni somewhat offsets the inhibiting effect of V.

r = Mo / (Mo + V)	BET Area (m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	A <sub>s</sub> (10 <sup>-8</sup> mol s <sup>-1</sup> g <sup>-</sup> <sup>1</sup> )	A <sub>i</sub> (10 <sup>-8</sup> mol s <sup>-1</sup> m <sup>-</sup> <sup>2</sup> )	Selectivity to Cracking (%)
0	26	6.2	0.24	3
0.35	17	9.5	0.56	43
1	7	0.3	0.04	19

Table 5.4.1. 3: Characteristics of Promoted-Vanadium Sulfides (Lacroix et al. 1992)

# 5.4. 2 Water Gas Shift Reaction over FeMo, VMo, NiMo and VNiMo-sulfided unsupported, dispersed catalysts

The other reaction of importance is the water gas shift reaction. The water gas shift rate is important since it supplies hydrogen for the upgrading reactions; a fast water gas shift rate compared to hydrogenation/hydrodesulfurization is necessary to ensure a sufficient hydrogen concentration for upgrading.

Figure 5.4.2.1 displays the normalized mol% of CO versus reaction time. The calculated irreversible pseudo-first order rate constants for CO, calculated from the derivation by Milad (Milad 1994) are shown in Table 5.4.1.1. Although the calculated equilibrium values are close to 98% conversion, the normalized mol% of CO is very low

(5-15 mol%) therefore the reversible pseudo-first order rate constants are reported. Irreversible pseudo-first order rate constants are shown in Figure 5.4.2.2. Substantial conversion of CO has occurred at 0 minutes, indicating that the rate of water gas shift begins at a temperature lower than 340 °C (Section 4.6.3). The reversible rate constants ranked in decreasing order are,

Mo > VMo > FeMo ~ VNiMo > NiMo

The role of vanadium in the water gas shift has been studied for a supported Fe and a  $Pt/CeO_2$  catalyst (Duarte de Farias et al. 2008; Lima Junior et al. 2005). Lima



Figure 5.4.2. 1: Normalized mol% CO for FeMo, VMo, NiMo and VNiMo-sulfided dispersed, unsupported catalysts (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S,  $3.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)



Figure 5.4.2. 2: Pseudo-First Order Reversible WGS Rate Constant(CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 3.0°C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 0.70 mmole each (Fe, V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Junior et al. utilized a fixed-bed reactor to compare vanadium promoted iron hightemperature shift (HTS) catalyst with a commercial chromium-doped iron HTS catalyst. They found the vanadium-promoted catalysts to be more active than the commercial chromium-promoted HTS catalyst. From HR-TEM, Mossbauer and BET studies they attributed this to a structural effect of incorporated vanadium which prevented sintering during the reaction as well as to a chemical effect where vanadium was proposed to stabilize Fe(III) in the catalyst, enhancing the redox cycle and preventing reduction to metallic iron (Lima Junior et al. 2005). Vanadium was suggested to have a dual role,

i. as a structural promoter preventing sintering during reaction, and

ii. to electronically stabilize Fe(III) in an oxidized state preventing reduction to metallic iron

From their spectroscopic analysis, of a V-promoted Pt/CeO<sub>2</sub> catalyst, Duarte de Farais concluded that the presence of V-O-Ce bonds were responsible for the increased activity, while V-O-V bonds with tridimensional structure decreased the activity (Duarte de Farias et al. 2008).

The apparent higher WGS activity of VMo compared to FeMo, NiMo and VNiMo may be due to an electronic effect of V or VS<sub>x</sub> on Mo in MoS<sub>2</sub>. Vanadium may facilitate oxidation of Mo atoms which has been suggested as a key step in the proposed redox mechanism of WGS over MoS<sub>2</sub> (Hou et al. 1983). This may enhance WGS, while the ability of vanadium to keep Mo oxidized would adversely affect the reduced coordinatively unsaturated state of Mo, where the coordinatively unsaturated sites (CUS) of Mo have been suggested to be an active site in the hydrogenation and HDS reaction on MoS<sub>2</sub>.

#### 5.5 Conclusion

### 5.5. 1 $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ and $Ru(acac)_3$ compared to Phosphomolybdic Acid

PMA was more active for water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation than  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ and  $Ru(acac)_3$  prepared under similar conditions. The poor activity of Ru in hydrogenation may be due to incomplete sulfidation of the Ru precursors. The incomplete sulfidation may be due to too low of a temperature (613 K) as compared to literature (673 K) (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008), low concentration of  $H_2S$  in the sulfiding gas mixture and the presence of  $H_2O$ .

#### 5.5. 2 RuMo unsupported, dispersed catalysts

MoS<sub>2</sub> appears necessary for appreciable water gas shift activity when sulfur (H<sub>2</sub>S) is present. Comparing a system of RuMo catalyst prepared from Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> and PMA (r = 0.25) with a catalyst from pure PMA, the highest activity at 340 °C occurs for Mo; Ru does not enhance catalytic activity and displays a decreased activity for hydrogenation and water gas shift. Addition of Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> and Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub> to PMA to generate catalyst in-situ at 340 °C and 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S would not be beneficial since in addition to the high cost of ruthenium, a much lower activity for water gas shift and hydrogenation is observed.

# 5.5. 3 FeMo, VMo, NiMo and VNiMo sulfide unsupported, dispersed catalysts

FeSO<sub>4</sub> and VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, when added to PMA to form a mixed metal catalyst (1.16 mmol Mo, 0.70 mmol each of Me), inhibit the hydrogenation of naphthalene via in-situ generated hydrogen. When vanadyl acetate, nickel sulfate and phosphomolybdic acid were sulfided in-situ with H<sub>2</sub>S, the rate of naphthalene hydrogenation compared with NiMo and base-case Mo (1.16 mmol Mo) was impaired but still higher than VMo or FeMo. The pseudo-first order naphthalene rate constants,  $k_{NAPH}$  occur in the order,

This suggests the enhanced activity with Ni to some degree can offset the inhibiting effect of V in VNiMo.

Both water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation are slightly inhibited by Fe. VMo has the highest activity for water gas shift reaction among the binary catalysts. The ternary VNiMo system displays a similar water gas shift rate to FeMo. The pseudo-first order reversible rate constant for the water gas shift,  $k_{CO}$ , occurs in the order,

The presence of V inhibits hydrogenation compared with NiMo but appears to enhance the water gas shift activity.

#### 5.6 Recommendations

XRD, XPS, HRTEM and EDX analysis of the recovered catalytic solids may reveal the nature (decorated or isolated crystallites) and confirm the formation of mixed metal sulfides prepared in-situ. DRIFTS using CO may indicate the nature of sulfur vacant active sites; the relative metal-sulfur bond energies (Me-S) may be studied using TPR and may be relevant in determining the formation energies of coordinatively unsaturated sites.

WGS and HYD activity should be tested after complete sulfidation and confirmation of Ru precursors to  $RuS_2$  crystallites. Ru and RuMo candidates should be sulfided in the absence of water before reaction or sulfided at higher H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations and temperatures to ensure complete transformation to RuS<sub>2</sub>.

# **Chapter 6: The Effect of Temperature, P<sub>H2S</sub> and CO on VNiMo Catalyst Activity**

#### 6.1 Introduction

Research into hydrodesulfurization and hydrogenation with metal sulfides has shown that not only the type of metal is significant, but also that different forms of sulfides with the metal species drastically alters the catalytic behaviour regarding same hydrodesulfurization and hydrogenation (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008; Hubaut 2007). Altering the preparation conditions for metal sulfides is most easily achieved by varying several factors. Two important factors affecting activity are the sulfidation/reduction temperature and composition of the sulfidation/reduction gas (Jacobsen et al. 1999; Geantet et al. 1991). Temperature affects the degree of sulfidation of the metal species in affecting hydrogenation/hydrodesulfurization rate. addition The type of to sulfidation/reduction atmosphere has similar affects. Specifically, the percentage of H<sub>2</sub>S can increase the degree of surface sulfidation, but if present during reaction may reduce the rate of hydrodesulfurization due to the equilibrium between active sites and H<sub>2</sub>S (Jacobsen et al. 1999).

# 6. 2 Experimental Design of 2<sup>3</sup> Factorial Experiment for VNiMo catalysts

A three-factor two-level experiment was performed in order to determine the effect of temperature,  $H_2S$  pressure and type of reduction gas ( $H_2$  or CO) on the hydrogenation of naphthalene with simultaneous water gas shift using dispersed, unsupported VNiMoS<sub>2</sub>. The full 2<sup>3</sup> factorial experiment includes 3 replicates performed at the centrepoint conditions to estimate experimental error (Figure 6.2.1). Centre-point replicates were



Figure 6.2. 1: Multifactorial Experiment with centrepoint replicates for Temperature, Balance Gas Type and Initial  $H_2S$  Pressure

distributed evenly in the reaction sequence to account for experimental drift such as reactor memory effects. A plot of the error versus experiment number indicates error appears to be randomly distributed (Figure 6.2.2). The experimental order was randomized by selecting paper labels out of a box. Experiment #53 does not belong to the factorial experiment but was performed at a reduced catalyst concentration of 500 ppmw Mo (0.50 mmol Mo, 0.30 mmol each Ni,V) to determine the effect of catalyst concentration on the rate of naphthalene hydrogenation and water gas shift. Rate constants for the blank reactor "wall effect" experiment are shown in Table D.2, Appendix D (Experiment #30). Since the experimental error appears randomly distributed (Figure



Figure 6.2. 2: Experimental Error as a function of Reaction Sequence to check for Experimental Drift( (1:1 molar CO/H<sub>2</sub>)/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 22.5 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.0°C/min, 360 °C for 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

6.2.2), the "wall effect" can be considered constant with no cumulative increase due to "wall memory" where the wall activity varies depending upon experimental conditions in the preceding reaction.

# 6. 3 Analysis of Effects (ANOVA) on Naphthalene Conversion to Tetralin

Table 6.3.1 shows the results of temperature, initial H<sub>2</sub>S pressure and gas type on pseudo-first order rate constant for HYD and naphthalene conversion. Tetralin was the major product with trace amounts of cis and trans-decalins observed. Additional products detected with GC retention times below decalins may be cracking products, as vanadium was reported to impart some cracking activity due to its acidity (Yumoto et al. 1996). It should be noted that due to the longer heat-up time required to reach 380 °C versus 340 °C (heating temperature ramp of 4.0 °C/min) total naphthalene conversion is not a suitable variable for comparison on the factors in this study. Therefore the isothermal naphthalene conversion was used, defined as the conversion at 180 minutes minus the conversion at 0 minutes sample (reaction) time,

$$X_{iso} = X_{t180} - X_{t0}$$

The results were analyzed using Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) techniques to determine significant effects at the 95% confidence level. F<sub>experimental</sub> values greater than

 $F_{critical}$  are deemed significant effects. From Table 6.3.2 the only significant effect is temperature which has an apparent negative impact on the isothermal conversion.

Table 6.3. 1: Calculated Pseudo-first order naphthalene rate constant and conversion (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Run Order	Temperature (°C)	H <sub>2</sub> S Pressure (psi)	Gas Type (CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	Pseudo-First Order Naphthalene Rate Constant, k <sub>NAPH</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Isothermal Naphthalene Conversion, X <sub>1180</sub> – X <sub>10</sub> (mol %)
45	380	15	СО	13.03	33.49%
44	340	15	СО	10.1	36.93%
48	380	30	СО	12.2	46.09%
47	340	30	СО	8.93	24.23%
49	380	15	H <sub>2</sub>	10.1	26.01%
52	340	15	H <sub>2</sub>	8.5	37.60%
51	380	30	$H_2$	14.27	10.04%
43	340	30	H <sub>2</sub>	7.5	17.14%
46	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	6.93	32.17%
50	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	7.1	9.68%
42	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	7.26	33.85%
53	340	15	СО	6.43	28.55%

Source	Effect on	SS (10 <sup>-3</sup> )	DF	MS	<b>F</b> experimental
	$X_{t180}-X_{t0}\\$			$(10^{-3})$	
Main Effect					
Temperature	-0.2334	109	1	109	68.4612
Initial H <sub>2</sub> S			1		
Pressure	-0.0676	9.15		9.15	5.7484
Gas Type			1		
(CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	-0.0509	5.19		5.19	3.2572
Interaction					
Effects					
T x P <sub>H2S</sub>	0.0137	0.374	1	0.374	2.0711
T x Gas	0.0457	4.18	1	4.18	0.2350
P <sub>H2S</sub> x Gas	0.0972	18.9	1	18.9	2.6275
T x P <sub>H2S</sub> x			1		
Gas	-0.0406	3.30		3.30	11.8737
Error			2	1.59E-03	
<b>F</b> <sub>critical</sub>					18.5128

Table 6.3. 2: ANOVA Analysis of Isothermal Naphthalene Conversion (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

### 6.3. 1 Effect of Temperature on Naphthalene Conversion

At increased temperature an increase in reaction rate (Arrhenius) should occur, however because hydrogenation is exothermic the equilibrium conversion will decrease. In line with industrial practice, for NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalysts deactivated with vanadium salt and vanadium-TPP, Kim and Massoth found that in a fixed-bed reactor at 35 atm  $H_2$  under vapour phase conditions with no water, as temperature was increased from 300 °C to 400 °C naphthalene conversion to tetralin increased concomitantly (Kim 1993). Zhang examined naphthalene hydrogenation using a NiMo unsupported, dispersed catalyst with in-situ hydrogen and concluded that conversion was not significantly higher at 370 °C compared to 340 °C (Zhang 2005). A naphthalene hydrogenation equilibrium conversion correlation developed by Frye and Weitkamp (Frye 1969) was used to calculate the theoretical equilibrium conversion  $(X_{eq})$  under reaction conditions. The experimental conversions compared to the theoretical conversions (180 minutes) are shown in Table 6.3.1.1. For the reactions at 380 °C the equilibrium conversion is less than the measured experimental conversion. Figure 6.3.1.1 displays the typical comparison of experimental conversion versus equilibrium conversion over reaction time at 380 °C under H<sub>2</sub>. This particular experiment should give the highest "best-case" Xeq due to the apparent high concentration of hydrogen. It can be observed that even at 20 minutes the experimental conversion exceeds the theoretical value. This would explain the decrease in conversion with respect to increasing temperature as calculated by the ANOVA analysis. In addition, the consumption of hydrogen will decrease the hydrogen concentration in the batch autoclave further decreasing the X<sub>eq</sub>. Therefore, comparing conversions when temperature is a variable is not accurate under our conditions in a batch autoclave. Considering Figure 6.3.1.2, which displays a typical reaction performed at 340 °C indicates that equilibrium is not achieved until near the end of reaction.

Table 6.3.1. 1: Experimental Naphthalene Conversions and Calculated Equilibrium Conversions (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Run Order / Experim ent	Temper-			Final Naph Convers	Naph Convers ion, Heating	Tet Yield	Final [H <sub>2</sub> ]	Equilibr ium Convers
Number	ature	$H_2S$	$CO/H_2$	ion (%)	(%)	(%)	(mol/g)	ion, X <sub>eq</sub>
CL45	+	-	-	54.25%	30.02%	43.49%	0.00095	39.91%
CL44	-	-	-	55.68%	9.59%	52.76%	0.00102	75.42%
CL48	+	+	-	48.35%	38.31%	47.76%	0.00111	48.17%
CL47	-	+	-	55.77%	18.16%	53.35%	0.00095	73.34%
CL49	+	-	+	50.77%	33.63%	46.96%	0.00075	29.92%
CL52	-	-	+	53.86%	20.01%	53.47%	0.00102	76.34%
CL51	+	+	+	48.19%	38.51%	43.83%	0.00076	29.42%
CL43	-	+	+	56.56%	19.63%	59.30%	0.00083	70.55%
CL46	0	0	0	49.61%	23.60%	53.61%	0.00094	55.79%
CL50	0	0	0	49.99%	17.83%	48.23%	0.00104	59.81%
CL42	0	0	0	56.80%	23.31%	50.71%	0.00114	65.74%
CL53	-			37.66%	9.11%	42.99%	0.00114	78.75%

\* [H<sub>2</sub>] calculated from pressure, volume, temperature and GC mol% analysis of gas flashed from liquid sample

\*\* Equilibrium calculation from (Frye 1969)

$$Log K_{eq} = \frac{6460}{T(K)} - 12.4; \quad K_{P} = \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH} * (P_{H2} + 0.00033P_{H2}^{2})^{2}}; \quad X_{eq} = 1 - [1 + \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}}]^{-1}$$



Figure 6.3.1. 1: Experimental and Equilibrium Naphthalene Conversions, Experiment #49 (H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO, 4.0°C/min, 380 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed)



Figure 6.3.1. 2: Experimental and Equilibrium Naphthalene, Experiment #52 (H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed)

An ANOVA analysis of the pseudo-first order naphthalene rate constant is shown in Table 6.3.2.1. As can be seen, the main effects of temperature and gas type are significantly larger than the experimental error. In addition, the 2-factor interactions

Table 6.3.2. 1: ANOVA Table for pseudo-first order rate constant,  $k_{NAPH}$  (Temperature, Initial H<sub>2</sub>S Pressure, Gas Type) (600 psig, 4.0°C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Source	Effect on k <sub>NAPH</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> )	SS	DF	MS (10 <sup>-10</sup> )	$F_{experimental}$
Main Effect					
Temperature	3.6425	2.65E-09	1	26.5	974.3799
Initial H <sub>2</sub> S			1		
Pressure	0.2925	1.71E-11		0.171	6.283201
Gas Type			1		
(CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	-0.9725	1.89E-10		1.89	69.45578
Interaction					
Effects					
T x P <sub>H2S</sub>	1.3775	3.8E-10	1	3.87	139.3517
T x Gas	0.5425	5.89E-11	1	0.589	21.61368
P <sub>H2S</sub> x Gas	1.2925	3.34E-10	1	3.34	122.6847
T x P <sub>H2S</sub> x			1		
Gas	-0.2575	1.33E-11		0.133	4.869492
Error			2	.0272	
<b>F</b> <sub>critical</sub>					18.5128

\* Method of initial rates was used to calculated  $k_{\text{NAPH}}$  at 380  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  due to equilibrium conversions

between temperature and  $H_2S$  pressure, temperature and gas type and  $H_2S$  pressure and gas type are also significant.

## 6.3. 3 Effect of Temperature on Naphthalene Hydrogenation Rate, $k_{NAPH}$

An increase in temperature increases the reaction rate; from 340 °C to 380 °C  $k_{NAPH}$  increases by 3.64 x 10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> (Table 6.3.2.1).

### 6.3. 4 Lack of Effect of H<sub>2</sub>S Partial Pressure on Naphthalene Hydrogenation Rate, k<sub>NAPH</sub>

An increase from 15 psi to 30 psi H<sub>2</sub>S has no significant effect on  $k_{NAPH}$ . The concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S is known to influence not only catalyst preparation but the reactivity during operation. The mol% H<sub>2</sub>S in the recovered gas phase after reaction is listed for various conditions (Table 6.3.4.1). Considering Table 6.3.6.1 the final mol% H<sub>2</sub>S varies not only with initial P<sub>H2S</sub> but also with gas type (CO or H<sub>2</sub>). P<sub>H2S</sub> is higher under H<sub>2</sub> since during hydrogenation H<sub>2</sub> is consumed and total gas pressure decreases, while during WGS although water and CO are consumed CO<sub>2</sub> is produced in addition to H<sub>2</sub>.

Insufficient H<sub>2</sub>S during catalyst sulfidation may form a greater fraction of reduced metallic sites, which may aid hydrogenation such as with RuS<sub>2</sub> (Castillo-Villalon et al. 2008). However, H<sub>2</sub>S during reaction conditions may be detrimental to hydrogenation activity. Jacobsen et al. studied the metal-sulfur bond strengths of various metal sulfides using TPR, and determined that H<sub>2</sub>S exists in equilibrium with surface sulfur, H<sub>2</sub> and

Run Order / Experiment Number	Temperature (°C)	H <sub>2</sub> S Pressure (psi)	Gas Type (CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	Final mol% H <sub>2</sub> S	
45	380	15	СО	0.54	
44	340	15	СО	0.55	
48	380	30	СО	1.38	
47	340	30	СО	1.37	
49	380	15	H <sub>2</sub>	0.7	
52	340	15	H <sub>2</sub>	0.85	
51	380	30	H <sub>2</sub>	1.51	
43	340	30	H <sub>2</sub>	2.01	
46	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	1.11	
50	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	0.62	
42	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	1.07	
53	340	15	СО	0.48	

Table 6.3.4. 1: Final H<sub>2</sub>S mol% (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

surface vacancies (Jacobsen et al. 1999),

$$S^* + H_2 \leftrightarrow H_2S + *$$

Higher  $P_{H2S}$  may therefore shift equilibrium to a higher concentration of surface sulfur sites, lowering the number of vacant sites. Because these sulfur vacancies are believed to be active sites for hydrogenation, hydrodesulfurization and hydrodenitrogenation, a decrease in the number of sulfur vacancies would inhibit activity. Under conditions where

water is present, the situation becomes even more complex due to the occurrence of water gas shift and exchange of surface oxygen with sulfur, which has been suggested as necessary in giving MoS<sub>2</sub> water gas shift activity (Hou et al. 1983). In hydrogenation of tetralin over NiMo/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Yasuda et al. reported that increasing  $P_{H2S}$  an order of magnitude from 0.1% to 1.0% only decreased the hydrogenation rate by 20% (Yasuda et al. 1997). Zhang studied naphthalene hydrogenation under CO/H<sub>2</sub>O with a dispersed, unsupported NiMo catalyst and found that increasing the S:Mo atomic ratio (constant Mo concentration) from 8.1 to 24.8 resulted in a 5% decrease in the pseudo-first order rate constant (Zhang 2005). From experimental results reported in this work, no significant effect due to varying  $P_{H2S}$  was observed likely because over the studied  $P_{H2S}$  interval (15 to 30 psi, S:Mo atomic ratio from 4 to 8) any change in rate was small enough to fall within experimental variability.

### 6.3. 5 Effect of CO or $H_2$ on Naphthalene Hydrogenation Rate, $k_{NAPH}$

Water has been shown to inhibit hydrodesulfurization, and its consumption in the WGS may be one factor in the higher HDS activity of in-situ generated hydrogen over molecular hydrogen (Moll 1999; Lee 2006). The mass of water recovered in the liquid phase for each multifactorial experiment is displayed in Table 6.3.5.1. Water contents for in-situ conditions are lower than those for molecular  $H_2$ . Under molecular  $H_2$  no consumption of water is expected; the apparent difference between the water recovered and water initially charged may be due to the water lost during sampling, which may also hold true for the water gas shift runs under CO. Although for in-situ runs the molar

fraction of  $H_2$  (related to mol% of  $H_2$ ) is lower than for molecular  $H_2$ , the total moles of dissolved gas in oil is higher for in-situ conditions due to the WGS occurring (Appendix B). This is indicated by the higher gas phase pressure of in-situ gas samples flashed from recovered liquid samples. This results in similar  $H_2$  liquid concentrations for in-situ and molecular  $H_2$  runs, where dividing by the pseudo-steady state  $H_2$  concentration gives a pseudo-second order rate constant, k"<sub>NAPH</sub>, for comparison (Table 6.3.5.2). The ANOVA

Table 6.3.5. 1: Mass of Recovered Water from Reactions (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Run Order/ Experiment Number	Temperature (°C)	H <sub>2</sub> S Pressure (psi)	Gas Type (CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	Mass of Recovered Water (g)	Pseudo-First Order Naphthalene Rate Constant, k <sub>NAPH</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
45	380	15	CO	3.75	13.03
44	340	15	СО	0	10.1
48	380	30	СО	3.2	12.2
47	340	30	СО	1.72	8.93
49	380	15	H <sub>2</sub>	5.06	10.1
52	340	15	H <sub>2</sub>	5.68	8.5
51	380	30	H <sub>2</sub>	4.84	14.27
43	340	30	H <sub>2</sub>	5.88	7.5
46	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	4.61	6.93
50	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	4.31	7.1
42	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	3.95	7.26
53	340	15	СО	3.18	6.43

results (95% significance level) for this pseudo-second order rate constant are shown in Table 6.3.5.3. The ANOVA analysis of k"<sub>NAPH</sub> indicates that using CO or H<sub>2</sub> does not have a significant effect. Comparison of molecular H<sub>2</sub> and in-situ generated hydrogen in naphthalene hydrogenation (Zhang 2005) and diesel hydrodesulfurization (Siewe 1998) indicated comparable activities in hydrogenation and sulfur removal. If water noticeably

Table 6.3.5. 2: Table for pseudo-second order rate constant, k"<sub>NAPH</sub> (Temperature, Initial H<sub>2</sub>S Pressure, Gas Type) (600 psig, 4.0°C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Run Order	Temperature (°C)	H2S Pressure (psi)	Gas Type (CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	Pseudo-First Order Naphthalene Rate Constant, k <sub>NAPH</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	*Pseudo- Steady Sate Dissolved Hydrogen Concentration (mol/g-oil)	Pseudo- Second Order Rate Constant, $(k''_{NAPH}$ $(g-mol^{-1}-s^{-1})$
45	380	15	CO	13.03	0.00096	0.1357
44	340	15	СО	10.1	0.001188	0.0849
48	380	30	СО	12.2	0.001058	0.1151
47	340	30	СО	8.93	0.001050	0.0850
49	380	15	H <sub>2</sub>	10.1	0.000751	0.1347
52	340	15	H <sub>2</sub>	8.5	0.001303	0.0654
51	380	30	H <sub>2</sub>	14.27	0.000753	0.1903
43	340	30	H <sub>2</sub>	7.5	0.001017	0.0735
46	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	6.93	0.001042	0.0666
50	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	7.1	0.001159	0.0612
42	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	7.26	0.001302	0.0558
53(500 ppmw						
Mo)	340	15	CO	6.43	0.001075	0.0595
* C	alculated from t	the average	of measure	ed [Ha] over 12(	) minute reaction	time

Calculated from the average of measured [H<sub>2</sub>] over 120 minute reaction time

Table 6.3.5. 3: ANOVA Table for Change in Pseudo-second Order Rate Constant, k"<sub>NAPH</sub> (Temperature, Initial H2S Pressure, Gas Type) (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Source	Effect on	SS (10 <sup>-4</sup> )	DF	MS (10 <sup>-5</sup> )	$\mathbf{F}_{experimental} =$
	k <sub>NAPH</sub> "				MS / MS <sub>error</sub>
	$(10^{-2}  g/(mol-s))$				
Main Effect					
Temperature	6.673	89.06	1	89.06	306.06
Initial H <sub>2</sub> S			1		
Pressure	1.082	2.342		2.342	8.05
Gas Type			1		
(CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	1.078	2.322		2.322	7.98
Interaction					
Effects					
T x P <sub>H2S</sub>	0.662	0.888	1	0.888	3.05
T x Gas	2.628	13.81	1	13.81	47.47
P <sub>H2S</sub> x Gas	2.105	8.863	1	8.863	30.46
T x P <sub>H2S</sub> x			1		
Gas	-0.836	1.398		1.398	4.81
Error			2	2.91	
$F_{critical} =$					18.5128

**F**<sub>1,2,0.05</sub>

inhibits hydrogenation then the consumption of water to form in-situ hydrogen via WGS should increase hydrogenation activity unless it is masked by the presence of  $CO_2$ . The effect of water on hydrogenation rate may also not be apparent over the measured difference in water content recovered from the CO and H<sub>2</sub> experiments (Table 6.3.5.1).

The insensitivity of the pseudo-second order rate constant to either initial CO or initial H<sub>2</sub> reinforces the dependence of hydrogenation rate on the hydrogen concentration. One may expect under an H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S atmosphere to have a higher concentration of hydrogen than under  $CO/H_2O/H_2S$ . However, water gas shift and hydrogenation occur in the same reacting phase where the catalyst is located and a fast WGS rate may increase the local hydrogen availability. The concentration of H<sub>2</sub> (flashed from recovered liquid samples) generated in-situ via WGS may approach or exceed the concentration of  $H_2$ under  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$  as observed from the experimental results (Table 6.3.5.2). A higher "liquid"  $H_2$  concentration under CO/ $H_2O/H_2S$  may be due to consumption of water by WGS and/or the production of molecular hydrogen in the catalytic "liquid" phase. Under  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$  the batch autoclave pressure decreases as  $H_2$  is consumed. The autoclave pressure decreases much more slowly under CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S due to the production of H<sub>2</sub> and  $CO_2$ . The partial pressure of  $CO_2$  and its solubility in the liquid phase under these conditions does not appear to inhibit hydrogenation activity compared to when no CO2 is present (H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S). While no significant effect was observed for k<sub>NAPH</sub>", the positive effect observed for CO on the pseudo-first order rate constant is likely due to a higher hydrogen concentration during the water gas shift reaction.

In the recovered products from experiments performed under initial  $H_2$ , the aqueous phase takes on a milky appearance which may indicate some form of fine solids species is present. The recovered aqueous phase for experiments performed under CO are noticeably more transparent (Figure 6.3.5.1). An elemental analysis of the aqueous phase may indicate what type of inorganic species, if any, are present.



Figure 6.3.5. 1: Recovered Aqueous Phase (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

# 6.3. 6 Interaction Effect of Temperature $x P_{H2S}$ on Naphthalene Hydrogenation Rate Constant, $k_{NAPH}$

The interaction between T x  $P_{H2S}$  significantly positively affects the pseudo-first order rate constant ( $k_{NAPH}$ ) but not the pseudo-second order rate constant ( $k_{NAPH}$ "), which may indicate the effect is dependent upon hydrogen concentration. At low temperature, low  $P_{H2S}$  gives a higher rate while at high temperature increasing  $P_{H2S}$  enhances  $k_{NAPH}$ . At

higher temperature a higher  $H_2S$  partial pressure may be required to maintain active  $MoS_2$  sites.

### 6.3. 7 Interaction Effect of T x Gas on Naphthalene Hydrogenation Rate Constant, $k_{NAPH}$

The interaction effect of T x Gas indicates significant but minor enhancement of both  $k_{NAPH}$  and  $k_{NAPH}$ ". In a toluene/water emulsion, the use of CO at lower temperatures will increase the naphthalene hydrogenation activity. Conversely, using H<sub>2</sub> at higher temperature will increase activity slightly. Since WGS is fast compared to hydrogenation, higher equilibrium WGS conversions at lower temperatures may increase the H<sub>2</sub> concentration which increases the pseudo-first order rate constant,  $k_{NAPH}$ .

## 6.3. 8 Interaction Effect of $P_{H2S} x$ Gas on Naphthalene Hydrogenation Rate Constant, $k_{NAPH}$

The two-factor interaction between  $P_{H2S}$  x Gas on naphthalene hydrogenation is minor in comparison to the temperature main-effect but significant for both  $k_{NAPH}$  and  $k_{NAPH}$ ". At low  $P_{H2S}$ , the use of CO will increase the hydrogenation activity while at high  $P_{H2S}$  the use of  $H_2$  will yield higher activity. A chemical equilibrium between active sulfur vacancies and adsorbed  $H_2S$  was observed for  $MoS_2$  and other chalcogenides active for HDS and HYD (Jacobsen et al. 1999). At low  $P_{H2S}$  over-reduction of  $MoS_2$  can occur to metallic Mo. These results may indicate a lower propensity for CO to over-reduce  $MoS_2$  compared to  $H_2$  under these conditions.

# 6.4 Effects of Temperature, $P_{H2S}$ and CO or $H_2$ on WGS Rate

At 380 °C the water gas shift has attained equilibrium as seen by the constant concentration of CO from the gas phase concentration-time figures (Appendix B). The measured pseudo-first order irreversible and reversible rate constants for water gas shift ( $k_{CO}$ ) are shown in Table 6.4.1. Since the reaction is close to equilibrium at 0 minutes, ANOVA analysis of the kinetic rate data was not performed since kinetic analysis performed on these results may be inaccurate.

# 6. 5 Effect of Total Metal Concentration (Constant atomic ratio, Me:Mo = 0.6 each of Ni and V)

Although the effect of catalyst concentrations cannot be analyzed with ANOVA, nonetheless some preliminary conclusions can be drawn from the data. The pseudo-second order rate constant was calculated for direct comparison. While maintaining the same atomic ratio (0.6) of Ni:Mo and V:Mo, increasing the total metal concentration from 1.10 mmoles to 3.32 mmoles increases  $k_{NAPH}$ " from 0.060 g-mol<sup>-1</sup>-s<sup>-1</sup> to 0.072 g-mol<sup>-1</sup>-s<sup>-1</sup>, while  $k_{CO}$  increases from 27.7x10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> to 41.2x10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>(Table 6.5.1). This corresponds to an increase of  $k_{CO}$  by 0.608 s<sup>-1</sup>/ (mol total metal) and for an increase of  $k_{NAPH}$  by 5.41 g-mol<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> / (mol total metal). Since only two experimental points were measured, a rate constant with respect to total metal content could not be accurately calculated. Abusaido studied the effect of changing Mo concentration on the water gas shift and naphthalene hydrogenation rate at an H<sub>2</sub>O:CO molar ratio of 3:1 (Abusaido 1999) and observed for the WGS an overall pseudo-second order dependence (first order in Mo concentration) of

Table 6.4. 1: Pseudo-first order irreversible water gas shift rate constant (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Run Order	Temp	H <sub>2</sub> S Pressure (psi)	Gas Type (CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	Pseudo- First Order Irreversible WGS Rate Constant, k <sub>C0</sub> (10 <sup>-4</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Pseudo- First Order Reversible WGS Rate Constant, $k_{CO}$ $(10^{-4} s^{-1})$
45	380	15	СО	1.39	1.22
44	340	15	СО	2.25	2.49
48	380	30	CO	0.580	0.495*
47	340	30	СО	1.88	3.07
46	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	1.60	
50	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	1.58	
42	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	1.87	
53	340	15	СО	1.90	

\*reaction may have reached equilibrium

Table 6.5. 1: Effect of Total Metal Concentration on Reaction Rates (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Mo Concentration (ppmw wrt total hydrocarbon)	Pseudo-First Order WGS Rate Constant, $k_{CO}(10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	Pseudo- Second Order Rate Constant, $\{k_{NAPH} / [H_2]\} =$ $k_{NAPH}$ " $(g-mol^1-s^{-1})$	Pseudo-First Order WGS Rate Constant increase (s <sup>-1</sup> / mol total Me)	Pseudo- Second Order Naph Rate Constant, k <sub>NAPH</sub> " (g-mol <sup>1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> / mol total Me)
1500 (3.32 mmole metal)*	41.2	0.072	0.608	5.41
500 ( 1.10 mmole metal)**	27.7	0.06		

\*1.5 mmole Mo, 0.91 mmole Ni, 0.91 mmole V

\*\*0.5 mmole Mo, 0.30 mmole Ni, 0.30 mmole V

2.0 x  $10^{-7}$  (s-ppmw Mo)<sup>-1</sup>. For naphthalene hydrogenation, a pseudo-second order dependence of 5.0 x  $10^{-7}$  (s-ppmw Mo)<sup>-1</sup> was calculated (Abusaido 1999). Since only two metal concentrations were measured, extrapolation beyond the measured metal concentration may not be accurate.

Although catalytic effects due to the reactor wall were not explicitly corrected for in the reported rate constants, future work should account for the catalytic effect of the reactor internals in the experimental design.



Figure 6.5. 1: Effect of Total Metal Concentration on Reaction Rates (600 psig,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 78.0 mmol NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmole each (V, Ni), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

#### 6.6 Conclusion

Conversion is not an accurate measure for comparing the effect of temperature on naphthalene hydrogenation since nearly equilibrium conversion was attained at 380 °C early in the reaction in a batch autoclave. However, HYD rate constants at higher temperature could be measured using the method of initial rate analysis. Higher temperature increases the pseudo-first order naphthalene hydrogenation rate constant ( $k_{NAPH}$ ). CO also had a positive effect on  $k_{NAPH}$ . Two-factor interaction effects also had a positive effect on  $k_{NAPH}$ .

Temp >> (Temp x Gas) > (
$$P_{H2S}$$
 x Gas) > (Temp x Gas)

Dividing by the "liquid-phase"  $H_2$  concentration (mol/g-liquid) yields a pseudo-second order rate constant, k"<sub>NAPH</sub>, where the ANOVA analysis indicates the effect of gas type (CO or  $H_2$ ) is not large enough to be considered significant. Significant differences are due to the concentration of hydrogen in the reacting phase, which may differ under CO due to in-situ hydrogen generation versus  $H_2$ . A small two-factor interaction effect suggests the activity is higher when CO is used at low temperature and  $H_2$  is used at high temperature. Hydrogenation activity is slightly enhanced at low  $P_{H2S}$  under CO or when using  $H_2$  at higher  $P_{H2S}$ 

#### 6.7 Recommendations

Future study on the relative atomic amounts of Ni and V, to determine the independent and combined effect of each species on water gas shift, hydrogenation and hydrodesulfurization is recommended. Another important factor would be to determine effects due to water content, as water inhibits hydrodesulfurization, hydrodenitrogenation and hydrogenation. Determining interaction effects between temperature and water content may indicate whether H<sub>2</sub>O content affects the hydrogenation rate constant. In addition, calculation of the rate constant with respect to the total metals or Mo concentration would be important to elucidate the optimum amount of catalyst required. A plot of the catalyst concentration versus pseudo-second order reaction rate would also allow determination of the catalytic effects from the reactor wall, allowing a more accurate rate constant determination. Characterization of the solids (XRD, XPS, EDX and HR-TEM) and elemental analysis of the aqueous phase would indicate what type of inorganic species are present.

Phosphorus has been found to enhance demetallation (Panariti 2000) in addition to CCR conversion (Bearden 1981). For actual bitumen feed, phosphoric acid addition to PMA and H<sub>2</sub>S should be tested in order to determine whether enhanced demetallation occurs which could lead to greater deposition or incorporation of Ni and V into MoS<sub>2</sub>.

### **Chapter 7: Conclusions and Recommendations**

#### 7.1 Conclusion

H-exchange between  $D_2O$  and aromatics was accelerated under CO or  $H_2$  compared to  $N_2$  when using MoS<sub>2</sub>. For CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, the deuterium incorporation into naphthalene and tetralin through exchange was greater than through hydrogenation as measured by hydrogenation and exchange Indices. Dissociated H<sup>+</sup> from H<sub>2</sub>O produced via exchange may reduce condensation reactions that form coke solids/asphaltenes.

In n-octane/water molecular hydrogen gave the highest hydrogenation activity compared to in-situ hydrogen generated from CO and H<sub>2</sub>O. The activity of molecular hydrogen was dependent upon the [H<sub>2</sub>] in the liquid phase. In n-octane the second-order rate (with respect to naphthalene and hydrogen) under CO/H<sub>2</sub> was lower than in N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub> which may suggest competitive adsorption between CO and H<sub>2</sub> for sulfur vacancies on the MoS<sub>2</sub> surface.

Isotopic labeling using  $D_2O$  resulted in an apparent isotope effect of 1.58 for the WGS rate, similar to a quasi-equilibrium thermodynamic isotope effect reported for hydroxyl group dissociation in CH<sub>x</sub>O-H.

Adsorption of CO onto  $MoS_2$  begins at 160 °C and produces COS, analogous to the reduction of  $MoS_2$  under  $H_2$  producing  $H_2S$ . Interpretation of the  $v_{CO}$  vibrational absorptions suggests the character of the Mo coordinatively unsaturated sites formed is similar whether  $MoS_2$  is treated with  $H_2$  or CO by comparison with the reported literature.  $v_{CO}$  was observed at 2070 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> on activated, unsupported dispersed  $MoS_2$  which indicates two states of reduced active sites. These two  $v_{CO}$  bands may relate to CO adsorption on edge and corner sites of hexagonal MoS<sub>2</sub> clusters. Comparison with theoretical calculations from literature indicates reasonable agreement with our experimental data.

Ru(0) and Ru(III) precursors did not display high WGS and HYD activity when sulfided in-situ under toluene/water emulsions at 340 °C. Incomplete sulfidation due to low temperature or  $H_2S$  pressure (15 psi) may have led to the low activity. The low activity of a RuMo catalyst was also attributed to incomplete sulfidation of the Ru precursor.

FeSO<sub>4</sub> or VO(acac)<sub>2</sub> sulfided with PMA inhibited naphthalene hydrogenation in toluene/water emulsions compared to sulfided PMA, but VMo exhibited good activity in WGS. V and Ni addition to Mo reduced naphthalene hydrogenation compared to NiMo and Mo, but VNiMo still retained higher activity than FeMo or VMo, suggesting Ni may offset the inhibition caused by V. As such, recycle of residues rich in Ni, V and Mo from a catalytic slurry upgrading process may be feasible.

Finally, a multifactorial study including temperature,  $H_2S$  and gas type (CO or  $H_2$ ) of the ternary VNiMo-sulfide unsupported catalyst was conducted. Significant effects are shown in decreasing order for naphthalene hydrogenation (pseudo-second order rate constant,  $k_{NAPH}$ ",

Temperature > Temperature x Gas Type >  $P_{H2S}$  x Gas Type

ANOVA analysis of the WGS could not be performed since equilibrium conversions were observed at the beginning of the reaction. An increase in the total metal concentration from 1.10 mmol to 3.32 mmol (Mo:Ni:V = 1:0.6:0.6) increased the WGS rate by 48% and increased  $k_{NAPH}$ " by 20%.

#### 7.2 Recommendations

In-situ DRIFTS of the WGS should be performed on  $MoS_2$  prepared from ATTM since the intensity of the reflected signal is greater than for  $MoS_2$  prepared by sulfiding PMA.  $MoS_2$  decomposed from ATTM should present less surface impurities as well. Integration of the  $v_{CO}$  absorbances at 2070 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 2052 cm<sup>-1</sup> could be performed in conjunction with HR-TEM studies of the solids samples to determine whether IR intensities correlate with the  $MoS_2$  nano-cluster morphology. TPR of  $MoS_2$  under H<sub>2</sub> and CO should be compared to determine which is a stronger reductant. DRIFTS studies of CO adsorption could also be performed for the sulfides of RuMo, VMo and VNiMo.

Although Ru is expensive for a commercial slurry upgrading process, the high intrinsic activity for HDS and HYD reported in the literature makes further studies appealing. Characterization of the recovered solids by XRD, elemental analysis and TEM may indicate the type of sulfided species formed. Preparation of RuS<sub>2</sub> (supported or unsupported) ex-situ could be carried out under  $N_2/H_2S$  at 673 K (HYD catalyst) and 873 K(HDS catalyst). The fully sulfided catalysts could then be tested for WGS activity and in HYD and HDS with simultaneous WGS in oil/water emulsions.

The parametric study of VNiMo could be expanded to include effects due to the relative ratios of Ni:V:Mo on HYD and HDS. Additionally, star points conducted for the  $2^3$  factorial experiment would yield a Central Composite Design (CCD) for modeling the effects of temperature, H<sub>2</sub>S and CO/H<sub>2</sub>. The effect of different water contents on naphthalene hydrogenation, both under CO and H<sub>2</sub>, should be addressed. Catalytic wall effects should be accounted for when calculating conversions and rate constants for WGS and hydrogenation. Characterization of the VNiMo and RuMo solids formed under CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S using XRD, CO adsorption ,TPR and HR-TEM should be completed to determine the degree of sulfidation and catalyst particle morphology.

Actual bitumen emulsion upgrading should be performed to determine the incorporation of Ni/V metal into produced solids. Parameters such as initial H<sub>2</sub>S, CO/H<sub>2</sub> ratios, H<sub>2</sub>O content and temperature could be varied. The Conradson Carbon Residue, HDS conversion and metals incorporation into coke/asphaltene solids could be measured to determine optimal conditions for operation.
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### **APPENDICES**

## Appendix A: Analytical Methods

### **Liquid Phase Analysis**

The organic liquid product was analyzed on a Varian CP-3800 GC-FID with a 30 m x 0.32 mm VF-5MS column. The temperature program is listed below (Table A1).

Table A. 1: Temperature Ramp for Varian CP-3800 Liquid Product Analysis

Rate (°C / min)	Temperature ( °C)	Time at Temperature (min)	Total Time (min)	
	80			
5.0	120	0	8.00	
2	134	0	15.00	

He Flow: 23.0 ml/min

Table A. 2: Varian CP-3800 Operating Temperatures

Rate (°C / min)	Temperature ( °C)	Time at	Total Time (min)
		Temperature (min)	
Sample Inlet Temp.		(1111)	
Injector	300		
Temperature (°C)			
Detector	134	0	15.00
Temperature (°C)			

Table A. 3: Retention Times of Naphthalene and Hydrogenated Products

<b>Retention Time (min)</b>	Compound name
7.25	Trans-decalin
8.37	Cis-decalin
10.08	Tetralin
10.99	Naphthalene



Figure A. 1: Representative GC-FID Chromatogram of Liquid Organic products from Naphthalene Hydrogenation

#### **Gas Phase Analysis**

Gas phase samples were collected in a 5 mL gas-tight syringe with valve. An Agilent 3000A MicroGC was used for analysis. The conditions are listed in Table A4. H<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, CO were analyzed on a Mol. Sieve 5A column using argon for sensitivity to H<sub>2</sub>. CO<sub>2</sub>, methane, propane, propylene, H<sub>2</sub>S and COS were analyzed using a PLOT U column running helium. A standard RGA calibration mixture supplied by Agilent was used to calibrate the MicroGC bi-weekly. H<sub>2</sub>S and COS were calibrated using a Certified Standard supplied by Praxair of 2.54 vol% H<sub>2</sub>S and 5.02 vol% COS.

3000A GC	Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D
Setpoints				
Sample Inlet Temp. (°C)	100	Same as A	Same as A	Same as A
Injector	100	100	100	100
Temperature				
Column	110	100	140	90
Temperature	110	100	140	)0
(°C)				
Sampling Time	30	30	Same as B	Same as B
(s)	20	50	Sume us B	Sume us B
Inject Time (ms)	200	20	20	20
Run Time (min)	120	120	120	120
Post Run Time	10	10	10	10
(min)				
Pressure	20	20	20	20
Equilibration				
Time (s)				
Column	40.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
Pressure (psi)				
Post Run	40.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
Pressure (psi)				
Detector	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard
Sensitivity				
Detector Data	50	50	50	50
Rate (Hz)	-		-	-
Baseline Offset	0	0	0	0
(mV)	11.0			,
Backflush Time	11.0	6.5	8.0	n/a
(8)				<b>T' 137 1</b>
Injector Type	Backflush	Backflush	Backflush	Fixed Volume
Carrier Gas	Argon	Helium	Helium	Helium
Column Type	Mol. Sieve 5A	PLOT U	Alumina	
Detector Type	ICD	ICD	ICD	ICD
Inlet Type	Heated	Heated	Heated	Heated
Column	$10 \text{ m} \ge 0.32 \text{ mm}$	8 m x 0.32 mm	10 m x 0.32 mm	10 m x 0.15
Dimension Dreadume Ture	X 30 µm		X 8 μm	$mm \times 2 \mu m$
Procelumn	$\frac{\text{PLUTU}}{2 \text{m} \times 0.22 \text{m} \times 10^{-22} $	$\frac{\text{PLUT} Q}{1 \text{ m y } 0.22 \text{ mm}}$	Aiumina	11/a 10 m x 0 15 mm
Dimensions	3 III X U.32 III X	1  III X  0.52  INM	1 III X 0.52 INM	10 III X 0.15 MM
Injector Volume	JU μIII 1 Ω backfluch	Λ IU μIII 1 0 backfluch	Λ J μIII 0 4 backflush	$\Lambda \angle \mu \Pi$
	1.0 DackHush	1.0 DaCKHUSH	0.4 DackHush	1.0 DaCKHUSH
(μι)				

Table A. 4: Agilent 3000A MicroGC Operating Conditions



Figure A. 2: Representative GC-TCD Chromatogram of Gas Phase species

# Appendix B: Experimental Data

## Sample Data including Figures:

Experimental Conditions for #46: (CO//H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 22.5 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 577.5 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 360 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>)

Table B.46. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #46

mass of liquid sample (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Reaction Time (min)	Sample #
2.5946	19.015	16.42		Purge
2.1516	18.739	16.587	0	-
1.3911	17.883	16.492		2
2.3093	18.701	16.391	20.25	2B
1.0833	17.454	16.371		ω
2.2903	18.8	16.51	39.75	3B
1.1126	17.564	16.452		4
2.3343	18.822	16.487	62.75	4B
1.4746	17.967	16.492		S
2.2437	18.694	16.45	104.75	5B
0.914	17.49	16.58		0
2.3707	18.771	16.4	119.75	6B

Table B.46. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #46

Reaction Time (min)	0	20.25	39.75	62 75	104 75	119 75	Final
Redetion Time (min)	0	20.25	57.15	02.75	101.75	117.75	1 111001
[NPT] (mol/g-lig)	0.000917	0.000805	0.000759	0.000695	0.000626	0.000605	0.000479
[ivi i] (iioi/g iiq)	0.000717	0.000000	0.000757	0.000075	0.000020	0.000000	0.000+77
[TET] (mol/g-lig)	0.000284	0.000379	0.000478	0.000563	0.000623	0.000644	0.000533
[121] (mong mq)	0.00020.	0.000077	0.000.70	0.0000000	0.000020	0.0000	0.0000000
[c-DEC] (mol/g-lig)	1 69E-07	2 89E-07	4 82E-07	7 84E-07	1.08E-06	1 21E-06	9.89E-07
[e bbc] (morg nq)	1.072 07	2.071 07	4.02E 07	7.04L 07	1.001 00	1.212 00	7.07L 07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-lig)	3 13E-07	5 79E-07	8 92E-07	1 57E-06	1 88E-06	2 21E-06	3 18E-06
[t DEe] (mong nq)	5.151 07	5.771 07	0.720 07	1.5712 00	1.001 00	2.212 00	5.101 00
$[NPT] = [NPT]_{o} - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.000916	0.00082	0.000721	0.000635	0.000575	0.000553	0.000664
	0.000910	0.00002	0.000721	0.0000000	0.000375	0.0000000	0.000004



Figure B.46. 1: Liquid Concentrations, Experiment #46

Reaction Time (min)	0	20.25	39.75	62.75	104.75	119.75	Final
H2	30.07429	27.84524	26.4261	25.43746	24.28098	24.16692	50.30766
02	9.83826	9.64063	9.91633	9.967585	10.15451	10.13501	2.42214
N2 Total	37.9341	37.05327	37.91671	38.1216	38.79734	38.73345	9.758667
CH4	0.07729	0.09033	0.099635	0.109334	0.116715	0.11857	0.162667
СО	3.43802	2.083535	1.46754	1.184365	0.90609	0.944935	13.54203
CO2	16.50438	18.61863	19.61847	20.6667	21.19443	21.43949	23.8155
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.15326	0.161515	0.164705	0.17026	0.16973	0.169715	0.165677
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	1.349165	1.42875	1.428025	1.46343	1.473405	1.473365	0.993283
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06518
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0.012005	0
Water	0.40971	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.46. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #46



Figure B.46. 2 Normalized Gas Composition, Experiment #46

Table B.46. 4: GC Analysis, Experiment #46

Reaction Time (min)	0	20.25	39.75	62.75	104.75	119.75
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.008718	0.008577	0.008463	0.008406	0.008421	0.008348
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001219	0.00111	0.001039	0.000994	0.00095	0.000938
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000139	8.31E-05	5.77E-05	4.63E-05	3.55E-05	3.67E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.000669	0.000742	0.000772	0.000807	0.00083	0.000832



Figure B.46.3: Gas Concentration, Experiment #46

## **B1.** Deuterium Labeling and NMR Experiments

Experiment conditions for #2R1:  $H_2/D_2O/H_2S$ , 15 psig  $H_2S$ , 585 psig  $H_2$ , 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml  $D_2O$ , 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Reaction Time (min)	4.67	40.67	81.17	116.17	152.17	180
Mass of Empty Vial	16.8256	16.9281	16.7142	16.7145	16.7682	16.7874
Mass of sample + vial	17.9359	19.0405	18.3061	18.6766	18.7312	18.0182
mass of liquid sample	1.1103	2.1124	1.5919	1.9621	1.963	1.2308

Table B.2.2. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #2R1

Table B.2.2. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #2R1

Reaction Time (min)	4.67	40.67	81.17	116.17	152.17	180	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000461	0.000328	0.000218	0.00014	9.13E-05	5.52E-05	0.000102
[Tet] (mol/g- liq)	2.5E-05	0.000158	0.000268	0.000346	0.000395	0.000431	0.000497

#### Table B.2.2. 3: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #2R1

Reaction Time (min)	4.67	40.67	81.17	116.17	152.17	180
H2	30.18806	34.57954	33.09117	32.32426	31.89249	48.18291
02	14.61807	13.86178	14.16013	14.3369	14.43238	10.432
N2	50.66164	47.93423	49.01484	49.59892	49.90676	36.46792
CH4		0	0	0	0	0
СО	1.011228	0	0	0	0	0
CO2	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0	0.055044	0.059363	0.059042	0.062815	0.109502
C2H2						
H2S	1.094662	1.289045	1.357886	1.354321	1.43379	2.576758
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4					0	0.011011
i-C4	0.03166		0	0	0	0.025328
n-C6	0.006609	0.004699	0.009555	0.010036	0.010373	0.011079
n-C8	2.348634	2.285669	2.307055	2.316523	2.261387	2.168703

Reaction Time (min)	0.166667	36.16667	76.66667	111.6667	147.6667	180
mass of empty vial (g)	2.4377	2.4421	2.449	2.4358	2.4474	2.4602
m2 = mass of vial + NMR sample	2.84344	2.7788	2.7994	2.8571	2.8328	2.8573
m3 = m2 + n-C8 diluent (GC sample)	3.0856	3.0497	3.0582	3.1316	3.1126	3.1304
[NAPH] NMR sample (g/g)	0.014643	0.01878	0.006108	0.006265	0.002624	0.001204
[NAPH] diluted-GC sample (mol/g)	7.15E-05	8.12E-05	2.74E-05	2.96E-05	1.19E-05	5.57E-06
[NAPH] (mol/g) NMR sample	0.000114	0.000147	4.77E-05	4.89E-05	2.05E-05	9.39E-06
[TET] NMR Sample (g/g)	0.001086	0.00945	0.00871	0.017672	0.012301	0.011297
[TET] GC sample (mol/g)	5.14E-06	3.96E-05	3.79E-05	8.09E-05	5.39E-05	5.06E-05
[t-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	3.61E-05	5.22E-05	0.000165	0.000161	0.000231
[c-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	1.74E-05	0.000121	0.000104	0.000152
[d6-Acetone] GC sample (mol/g)	9.35E-05	4.07E-05	4.24E-05	4.31E-05	2.69E-05	4.03E-05
[d6-acetone] in NMR sample (g/g)	0.009565	0.004704	0.004723	0.004553	0.002969	0.00436
mol of total Naph/mol of n-C8 (from GC)						
Total NAPH mol / mol n-C8	0.013387	0.017305	0.005552	0.005748	0.002381	0.001092
Total Tetralin mol / mol n-C8	0.000962	0.008443	0.007676	0.01572	0.010824	0.009931
[NAPH] reactor sample (mol/g)						
[TET] reactor sample (mol/g)						
molar ratios from <sup>1</sup> H-NMR Integration						
MOL I / MOL n-Octane] (calculated from n-						
Octane –CH <sub>3</sub> NMR resonance)	0.005522	0.0050.00	0.001050	0.0010.45	0.000705	0.000251
Naphthalene A	0.005522	0.005969	0.001952	0.001945	0.000785	0.000351
Tataslin An	0.007345	0.006745	0.001952	0.001945	0.000785	0.000351
Totrolin D	0.000331	0.002080	0.002755	0.005251	0.003089	0.003401
	0.000442	0.005104	0.005519	0.006029	0.00410	0.003787
% 'H-Incorporation	0.15					100.00
Reaction Time (min)	0.17	36.17	76.67	111.67	147.67	180.00
NAPH A mol%	41.25%	34.50%	35.16%	33.83%	32.96%	32.12%
NAPH B mol%	54.86%	38.98%	35.16%	33.83%	32.96%	32.12%
		<b>at</b> 225	05 100	22.105	<b>0</b> ( 000)	0.075
TET Aromatic mol%	34.43%	31.82%	35.60%	33.40%	34.08%	34.25%
Tet Sat mol%	45.90%	37.47%	43.23%	38.35%	38.43%	38.13%

Table B.2.2. 4: Calculated Concentrations of Deuterated Organics from NMR























 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Experimental Conditions for \#5R1: CO/D_2O/H_2S, 15 \mbox{ psig } H_2S, 585 \mbox{ psig } H_2, 4.0^\circ\mbox{C/min}, 340\ ^\circ\mbox{C}, 3 \mbox{ hrs}, 10 \mbox{ ml } D_2O, 100 \mbox{ ml } n \mbox{-octane}, 3.7 \mbox{ g NAPH}, 0.39 \mbox{ mmoles Mo}, 1500 \mbox{ RPM Impeller Speed} \end{array}$ 

Table B.5.2. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #5R1

Reaction Time (min)	5.58	46.18	81.58	126.33	159.67	180
Mass of Empty Vial	16.7407	16.6286	16.6202	16.6489	16.6112	16.8046
Mass of sample + vial	18.3233	17.9446	18.2862	19.364	17.5427	17.0859
mass of liquid sample	1.5826	1.316	1.666	2.7151	0.9315	0.2813

Table B.5.2. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #5R1

Reaction Time (min)	5.58	46.18	81.58	126.33	159.67	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000452	0.000387	0.000321	0.000248	0.000222	0.000211
[Tet] (mol/g-liq)	1.17E-05	5.85E-05	0.000122	0.000182	0.000208	0.000301

Table B.5.2. 3: GC Gas Mol % Analysis, Experiment #5R1

Reaction Time (min)	4.3	39.3	75.3	110.3	151.3	180
ESTD mol%						
H2	9.066576	10.87217	12.23117	13.19319	18.62307	19.43325
02	9.020861	10.20158	10.04462	9.459652	4.857653	4.265845
N2	31.43043	35.32372	34.79603	32.83021	17.23422	15.2685
CH4		0.023439	0.047952	0.071517	0.125653	0.149419
СО	33.1404	24.46693	19.9542	17.96471	21.77468	19.84595
CO2	13.52281	15.97547	19.9941	23.45097	34.09645	37.71986
C2H4						
C2H6	0.016677	0.020013	0.026988	0.073767	0.110603	0.116426
C2H2						
H2S	0.829949	0.787151	0.814428	0.864189	1.214569	1.256804
COS	0.127044	0.074523	0.053924	0.04995	0.058616	0.056518
n-C4					0.010377	0.012537
i-C4	0.036874		0.016753	0.02227	0.024799	0.025427
n-C6	0.006763	0.008286	0.006895	0.007362	0.008583	0.008481
n-C8	2.801617	2.246724	2.021308	2.012219	1.860733	1.840982

Table B.5.2.4: Calculated Deuterated Organic Concentrations from NMR Data	
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Reaction Time (min)	39.3	75.3	110.3	151.3	180
mass of empty vial (g)	2.4526	2.4421	2.4639	2.4569	2.4428
m2 = mass of vial + NMR sample	2.8647	2.7959	2.8515	2.85	2.865
m3 = m2 + n-C8 diluent (GC sample)	3.1332	3.0661	3.1277	3.1269	3.1414
[NAPH] NMR sample (g/g)	0.018673	0.018989	0.014517	0.011999	0.005775
[NAPH] diluted-GC sample (mol/g)	8.82E-05	8.4E-05	6.61E-05	5.49E-05	2.72E-05
[NAPH] (mol/g) NMR sample	0.000146	0.000148	0.000113	9.36E-05	4.51E-05
[TET] NMR Sample (g/g)	0.000639	0.003069	0.005903	0.009476	0.00583
[TET] GC sample (mol/g)	2.92E-06	1.32E-05	2.61E-05	4.21E-05	2.67E-05
[t-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	3.41E-05	1.65E-05
[c-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	1.7E-05	1.65E-05
[d6-Acetone] GC sample (mol/g)	3.84E-05	3.64E-05	3.51E-05	8.24E-05	8.24E-05
[d6-acetone] in NMR sample (g/g)	0.004057	0.004115	0.003848	0.008994	0.008731
mol of total Naph/mol of n-C8 (from GC)					
Total NAPH mol / mol n-C8	0.017038	0.017376	0.013258	0.011029	0.005253
Total Tetralin mol / mol n-C8	0.000565	0.002723	0.005227	0.008445	0.005142
[NAPH] reactor sample (mol/g)					
[TET] reactor sample (mol/g)					
molar ratios from <sup>1</sup> H-NMR Integration					
MOL I / MOL n-Octane] (calculated from n-Octane –CH <sub>3</sub>					
NMR resonance)	0.002011	0.002005	0.002227	0.001956	0.00088
Naphthalana D	0.00571	0.003093	0.002237	0.001856	0.00088
Totrolin Ar	7.82E.05	0.003743	0.002237	0.001830	0.00088
Tetralin P	7.62E-03	0.000402	0.000895	0.0015	0.000792
	0.000190	0.000337	0.000895	0.001071	0.001037
W H-Incorporation	20.20	75.20	110.20	151.20	100.00
NADU A mal(	39.30	/5.30	110.30	151.30	180.00
	22.95%	17.81%	16.88%	16.83%	16.76%
NAPH B mol%	55.51%	21.55%	16.88%	16.83%	16./6%
TET Aromatic mall/	12.050/	14 700/	17 100/	15 2004	15 410/
Tet Set melly	13.85%	14./8%	17.12%	10.39%	13.41%
ret Sat inoi%	34.01%	20.46%	17.12%	19./8%	20.55%

















Experimental Conditions for #14: CO/H<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.14. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #14

Reaction Time (min)	1.25	37.08333	73.08333	108.0833	147.5833	180
Mass of Empty Vial	16.6623	16.4647	16.8075	16.6797	16.7532	16.507
Mass of sample + vial	17.2249	17.5961	17.7457	17.7758	17.8268	18.2836
mass of liquid sample	0.5626	1.1314	0.9382	1.0961	1.0736	1.7766

Table B.14. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #14

Reaction Time (min)	1.25	37.08	73.08	108.08	147.58	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000495	0.000435	0.000385	0.000317	0.000264	0.000198
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	5.29E-06	5.29E-05	0.000123	0.000178	0.000245	0.000275
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	0	0	7.23E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	7.23E-07	7.23E-07	1.45E-06
[NPT] = [NPT]0 - [TET]- [DEC]	0.00049	0.000442	0.000372	0.000316	0.00025	0.000218

Reaction Time (min)	1.25	37.08333	73.08333	108.0833	147.5833	180	Final
Average ESTD mol%							
H2	7.84353	17.52007	17.75634	18.60356	18.73798	26.9496	43.16259
02	16.0348	11.33972	11.7306	11.67012	11.42967	7.6879	1.925095
N2	60.5116	45.78424	44.42618	44.13592	43.31006	29.26967	7.53834
CH4		0.03887	0.07131	0.098665	0.132145	0.21813	0.251115
СО	7.14568	10.20143	7.659775	6.24928	5.22558	6.51478	16.94407
CO2	6.59588	6.581995	8.35314	9.87061	11.54707	17.74149	18.33649
C2H4							0
C2H6	0	0.0464	0.057215	0.063995	0.073935	0.12295	0.086155
C2H2							0
H2S	0.96144	1.284615	1.26168	1.285815	1.346245	1.88834	1.31172
COS	0.03429	0.043315	0.032265	0.025995	0.023035	0.02525	0.07747
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	3.6901	3.192914	3.901535	3.22995	3.82105	3.8767	3.57522
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0.00768	0
i-C4	0		0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0.003775	0
n-C8	0.76544	1.889685	2.274685	1.939705	2.178005	2.119445	0.643065

Table B.14. 3: GC Gas Analysis, Experiment #14

Reaction Time (min)	1.25	37.08333	73.08333	108.0833	147.5833	180
mass of empty vial (g)	2.458	2.4917	2.4844	2.4714	2.4568	2.4631
m2 = mass of vial + NMR sample	2.8625	2.9308	2.9302	2.8719	2.8138	2.8099
m3 = m2 + n-C8 diluent (GC sample)	3.2935	3.2088	3.2079	3.1443	3.091	3.0865
[NAPH] NMR sample (g/g)	0.008283	0.022341	0.020373	0.018185	0.024136	0.009264
[NAPH] diluted-GC sample (mol/g)	3.13E-05	0.000107	9.79E-05	8.44E-05	0.000106	4.02E-05
[NAPH] (mol/g) NMR sample	6.46E-05	0.000174	0.000159	0.000142	0.000188	7.23E-05
[TET] NMR Sample (g/g)	0.000131	0.002869	0.006854	0.010798	0.02374	0.013835
[TET] GC sample (mol/g)	4.79E-07	1.33E-05	3.19E-05	4.86E-05	0.000101	5.82E-05
[t-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	1.68E-05	7.7E-05	6.59E-05
[c-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	0	5.33E-05	5.39E-05
[d6-Acetone] GC sample (mol/g)	4.2E-05	5.43E-05	6.72E-05	5.24E-05	5.58E-05	7.51E-05
[d6-acetone] in NMR sample (g/g)	0.005549	0.005683	0.006984	0.00564	0.006348	0.008646
mol of total Naph/mol of n-C8 (from GC)		 				
Total NAPH mol / mol n-C8	0.007485	0.020542	0.018797	0.016786	0.022744	0.008526
Total Tetralin mol / mol n-C8	0.000115	0.002558	0.006131	0.009664	0.021689	0.012347
[NAPH] reactor sample (mol/g)	0.000495	0.000435	0.000385	0.000317	0.000264	0.000198
[TET] reactor sample (mol/g)	5.29E-06	5.29E-05	0.000123	0.000178	0.000245	0.000275
molar ratios from <sup>1</sup> H-NMR Integration		 				
n-Octane – CH <sub>3</sub> NMR resonance)						
Naphthalene A	0.004241	0.00553	0.00511	0.004507	0.003834	0.002233
Naphthalene B	0.004962	0.006194	0.00511	0.004462	0.003834	0.002233
Tetralin Ar	0	0.000608	0.001584	0.002524	0.003566	0.003127
Tetralin B	0	0.000719	0.001789	0.00302	0.0051	0.003574
% <sup>1</sup> H-Incorporation						
Reaction Time (min)	1.25	37.08	73.08	108.08	147.58	180.00
NAPH A mol%	56.66%	26.92%	27.19%	26.85%	16.86%	26.20%
NAPH B mol%	66.29%	30.15%	27.19%	26.58%	16.86%	26.20%
TET Aromatic mol%	0.00%	23.78%	25.84%	26.12%	16.44%	25.33%
Tet Sat mol%	0.00%	28.11%	29.17%	31.25%	23.51%	28.94%
[1H-NAPH]-A (mol/g)						
[NAPH]-[1H-NAPH]-A						
[1H-NAPH]	0.000328	0.000131	0.000105	8.43E-05	4.46E-05	5.2E-05
[NAPH]	0.000167	0.000304	0.00028	0.000233	0.00022	0.000146

Table B.14. 4: Calculated Deuterated Organic Concentrations from NMR












Figure B.14. 4: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of naphthalene and tetralin in n-octane, sample #4









 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Experimental Conditions for \#19:} \quad N_2/D_2O/H_2S, 15 \text{ psig } H_2S, 585 \text{ psig } N_2, 4.0^\circ\text{C/min}, 340\ ^\circ\text{C}, 3 \text{ hrs}, 10 \text{ ml } D_2O, 100 \text{ ml } n \text{-octane}, 3.7 \text{ g} \\ \text{NAPH}, 0.39 \text{ mmoles Mo}, 1500 \text{ RPM Impeller Speed} \end{array}$ 

Table B.19. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #19

Reaction Time (min)	1.23	38.23	72.73	110.23	143.73	180.00
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.4928	16.4251	16.5274	16.5447	16.4664	16.467
Mass of sample + vial (g)	17.0721	16.7305	16.986	16.9297	18.5875	18.5052
mass of liquid sample (g)	0.5793	0.3054	0.4586	0.385	2.1211	2.0382

Table B.19. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #19

Reaction Time (min)	1.23	38.23	72.73	110.23	143.73	180.00
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000405	0.000425	0.000387	0.000402	0.000401	0.000403
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	2.27E-07	7.24E-07	1.36E-06	1.64E-06
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	3.34E-08	0	0	0	0
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	1E-07	1.09E-07	9.9E-08	1.21E-07	1.21E-07
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]- [DEC]	0.000405	0.000405	0.000404	0.000404	0.000403	0.000403

Reaction Time (min)	1.23	38.23	72.73	110.23	143.73	180.00	Final
Average ESTD mol%							
H2	0.00074	0.08545	0.16486	0.2171	0.221735	0.47056	0.492143
02	11.51899	11.31558	11.23607	10.95648	12.62915	7.56984	1.847
N2	88.016	87.3915	87.3991	87.4266	85.956	91.8825	99.66393
CH4		0	0	0	0	0	0
СО	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CO2	0.04237	0.04683	0.04777	0.04955	0.05042	0.05667	0.08712
C2H4							0
С2Н6	0	0	0.00711	0.01008	0.01072	0.01814	0.01214
C2H2							0
H2S	0.1642	0.32195	0.40812	0.48130	0.45653	0.83631	0.75487
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0.356425	0.41574	0.43306	0.480025	0.44566	0.433015	0.365043
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0.003925	0	0.003185	0
i-C4	0.02764		0.030865	0.030295	0.02697	0.014215	0
n-C6	0.004555	0.004025	0.00383	0.003715	0.00325	0.00412	0
n-C8	1.25644	1.39675	1.39794	1.46176	1.367015	1.29084	0.107533

Table B.19. 3: GC Gas Analysis, Experiment #19

Reaction Time (min)	1.23	38.23	72.73	110.23	143.73	180.00
mass of empty vial (g)	2.4903	2.4471	2.4432	2.4667	2.4766	2.4442
m2 = mass of vial + NMR sample	2.9198	2.8823	2.8992	2.9014	2.912	2.9444
m3 = m2 + n-C8 diluent (GC sample)	3.1968	3.1618	3.1794	3.1794	3.191	3.222
[NAPH] NMR sample (g/g)	0.011361	0.019307	0.018626	0.019805	0.029042	0.031493
[NAPH] diluted-GC sample (mol/g)	5.39E-05	9.17E-05	9E-05	9.43E-05	0.000138	0.000158
[NAPH] (mol/g) NMR sample	8.86E-05	0.000151	0.000145	0.000155	0.000227	0.000246
[TET] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	0	0	0
[TET] GC sample (mol/g)	0	0	0	0	0	0
[t-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	0	0	0
[c-DEC] NMR Sample (g/g)	0	0	0	0	0	0
[d6-Acetone] GC sample (mol/g)	6.21E-05	5.93E-05	6.82E-05	5.1E-05	5.85E-05	5.39E-05
[d6-acetone] in NMR sample (g/g)	0.006536	0.006235	0.00705	0.00535	0.006142	0.00537
Mole Ratios of Molecules from GC						
Total NAPH mol / mol n-C8	0.010308	0.017655	0.017034	0.018104	0.026823	0.029137
Total Tetralin mol / mol n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0
[NAPH] reactor sample (mol/g)	0.000405	0.000425	0.000388	0.000403	0.000402	0.000405
[TET] reactor sample (mol/g) Mole Ratios from <sup>1</sup> H-NMR Integration MOL I / MOL n-Octane] (calculated from n-Octane –CH <sub>3</sub> NMR						
resonance)						
Naphthalene A	0.00804	0.008849	0.004565	0.004189	0.005644	0.006804
Naphthalene B	0.008523	0.011857	0.007944	0.006702	0.007225	0.00796
Tetralin Ar	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tetralin B	0	0	0	0	0	0
% <sup>1</sup> H-Incorporation						
NAPH A mol%	78.00%	50.12%	26.80%	23.14%	21.04%	23.35%
NAPH B mol%	82.68%	67.16%	46.63%	37.02%	26.94%	27.32%

Table B.19. 4: Calculated Deuterated Organic Concentrations from NMR, Experiment #19



Figure B.19. 1: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of naphthalene and tetralin in n-octane, sample #1



Figure B.19. 2: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of naphthalene and tetralin in n-octane, sample #2



Figure B.19. 3: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of naphthalene and tetralin in n-octane, sample #3



Figure B.19. 4: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of naphthalene and tetralin in n-octane, sample #4







Figure B.19. 6: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of naphthalene and tetralin in n-octane, sample #6

# **B** 2. Kinetic Isotope Labeling Experiments

Experimental Conditions for #1: CO/H<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Reaction Time (min)	2.17	40.92	76.92	112.92	148.92	180.08
Mass of Empty Vial	16.6795	16.7661	16.7501	16.6811	16.6294	16.8317
Mass of sample + vial	17.7095	17.921	17.5964	17.9676	17.7716	17.8319
mass of liquid sample	1.03	1.1549	0.8463	1.2865	1.1422	1.0002

Table B.1.1. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #1

Reaction Time (min)	2.17	40.92	76.92	112.92	148.92	180.08	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000307	0.000201	0.000149	8.79E-05	5.8E-05	3.85E-05	2.68E-05
[Tet] (mol/g-liq)	3.4E-06	5.7E-05	0.000159	0.000216	0.000255	0.000266	0.000282

Table B.1.1. 3:	GC Gas Mol %	Fraction Analysis,	Experiment #1
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Reaction Time (min)	2.17	40.92	76.92	112.92	148.92	180.08
Normalized Mol Fraction						
H2	0.236208	0.318903	0.375825	0.384299	0.396676	0.404356
СО	0.463339	0.307961	0.248351	0.181194	0.161131	0.146641
CO2	0.236208	0.318903	0.375825	0.384299	0.396676	0.404356
H2S	0.064244	0.054233	0	0.050208	0.045516	0.044648

Experimental Conditions for #1R1: CO/H<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.1.2. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #1R1

Reaction Time (min)	3.25	42.25	78.25	114.25	150.25	180.00
Mass of Empty Vial	16.6856	16.5874	16.6365	16.7241	16.6546	16.6008
Mass of sample + vial	17.4551	19.199	19.1499	19.0276	18.842	18.478
mass of liquid sample	0.7695	2.6116	2.5134	2.3035	2.1874	1.8772

Table B.1.2. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #1R1

Reaction Time (min)	3.25	42.25	78.25	114.25	150.25	180.00	Final
[NPT] (mol/g- liq)	0.000376	0.00035	0.000327	0.000284	0.000258	0.000211	0.00023
[Tet] (mol/g- liq)	4.92E-06	2.82E-05	7.14E-05	0.000111	0.000152	0.000167	0.000224

Table B.1.2. 3: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #1R1

Reaction Time							
(min)	3.25	42.25	78.25	114.25	150.25	180.00	Final
H2	19.38814	31.13855	36.73953	40.36954	41.8974	43.39267	42.53408
02	9.514835	4.43307	2.28463	1.25915	0.76097	0.49852	1.82926
N2	33.79096	16.02376	8.259585	4.526985	2.689905	1.77751	6.179627
CH4			0.07952	0.12891	0.17384	0.215335	0.19715
СО	20.17789	26.71712	25.88908	23.30827	20.34387	18.16531	21.61134
CO2	2.99182	7.79635	12.83702	16.9388	20.54243	22.59611	17.52267
C2H4		0.03293					
C2H6	0.029865	0.04593	0.05689	0.074865	0.11491	0.11914	0.05805
C2H2							
H2S	0.82312	1.36903	1.645095	1.727095	1.81761	1.779125	0.900127
COS	0.04049	0.05419	0.051435	0.0446	0.03882	0.03614	0.057863
1,2 prop=							
Water		2.85213	3.126225	3.12047	3.355315	3.056865	1.649717
C3							
n-C4					0.010255	0.011345	
i-C4			0.01458	0.01658	0.018335	0.01811	

n-C6	0.00244	0.00327	0.003585	0.003455	0.003625	0.00366	

Experimental Conditions for #2: H<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig H<sub>2</sub>, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.2.1. 1: Sample Masses, Experiment #2

Reaction Time (min)	1.88	38.08	73.58	112.58	145.58	177.58
Mass of Empty Vial	16.8458	16.7053	16.7473	16.8522	16.8152	16.8717
Mass of sample + vial	17.2895	17.8966	17.9841	17.9036	17.7806	17.9773
mass of liquid sample	0.4437	1.1913	1.2368	1.0514	0.9654	1.1056

Table B.2.1. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #2

Reaction Time (min)	1.88	38.08	73.58	112.58	145.58	177.58	Final
[NPT] (mol/g- liq)		0.000182	0.000115	6.87E-05	4.37E-05	3.25E-05	2.52E-05
[Tet] (mol/g- liq)	1.44E-05	0.000107	0.00017	0.000224	0.000228	0.000289	0.000306
[NPT] = [NPT0] – [TET]	0.000284	0.000191	0.000128	7.48E-05	7.08E-05	9.52E-06	-7.1E-06

Experimental Conditions for #5: CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig H<sub>2</sub>,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.5.1. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #5

Reaction Time (min)	3.5	39.5	75.5	111.667	147.5	180
Mass of Empty Vial	16.7074	16.5252	16.7941	16.8342	16.6296	16.7431
Mass of sample + vial	18.941	18.2452	18.5283	18.3647	18.7368	18.401
mass of liquid sample	2.2336	1.72	1.7342	1.5305	2.1072	1.6579

Table B.5.1. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #5

Reaction Time (min)	3.5	39.5	75.5	111.667	147.5	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000311	0.000276	0.000247	0.000205	0.000159	0.000129
[Tet] (mol/g-liq)	5.3E-06	2.93E-05	6.91E-05	0.000109	0.000149	0.00018
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 -$	0.000305	0.000281	0.000241	0.000202	0.000162	0.000131

[TET]
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 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Experimental Conditions for \#5R2: (CO/D_2O/H_2S, 15 \mbox{ psig } H_2S, 585 \mbox{ psig } H_2, 4.0^\circ\mbox{C/min}, 340\ ^\circ\mbox{C}, 3 \mbox{ hrs}, 10 \mbox{ ml } D_2O, 100 \mbox{ ml } n\mbox{-octane}, 3.7 \mbox{ g NAPH}, 0.39 \mbox{ mmoles Mo}, 1500 \mbox{ RPM Impeller Speed} \end{array}$ 

Reaction Time (min)	5.58	46.18	81.58	126.33	159.67	180
Mass of Empty Vial	17.0891	16.7705	16.8136	16.8494	16.8024	16.9147
Mass of sample + vial	18.2402	18.5611	18.2402	18.3443	18.2537	18.2857
mass of liquid sample	1.1511	1.7906	1.4266	1.4949	1.4513	1.371

Table B.5.3. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #5R2

Table B.5.3. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #5R2

Reaction Time (min)	5.58	46.18	81.58	126.33	159.67	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)		0.000243	0.000229	0.000185	0.000147	0.000144
[Tet] (mol/g-liq)	1.51E-06	1.36E-05	4.34E-05	7.26E-05	9.56E-05	0.000133
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]	0.00026	0.000248	0.000218	0.000189	0.000166	0.000128

Table B.5.3. 3: GC Gas Mol % Analysis, Experiment #5R2

Reaction Time (min)	5.58	46.18	81.58	126.33	159.67	180
Normalized Mol%						
H <sub>2</sub>	0.146636	0.150284	0.150284	0.175684	0.113459	0.145363
СО	0.675384	0.619797	0.520476	0.440647	0.412599	0.3592
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.17798	0.253393	0.318078	0.36729	0.456613	0.457342
$H_2S$		0.011161	0	0.017329	0.018619	0.017744

Experimental Conditions for #6: CO/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig H<sub>2</sub>, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Reaction Time (min)	4.50	41.00	85.00	122.00	158.00	182
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	17.0753	16.5784	16.6568	16.6009	16.49	16.53
Mass of sample + vial (g)	18.5782	17.3924	18.1736	17.7797	17.225	17.3266
mass of liquid sample (g)	1.5029	0.814	1.5168	1.1788	0.735	0.7966

Table B.6. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #6

fime (min) 4 Average NPT] mol/g) 4	4.50E+00 4.10E-04	3.95E+01 4.39E-04	4.10E+01 4.28E-04	8.20E+01 4.05E-04	8.50E+01 3.83E-04	1.18E+02 3.89E-04	1.22E+02 3.66E-04	1.58E+02 3.51E-04	1.80E	3+02
	4.10E-04	4.39E-04	4.28E-04	4.05E-04	3.83E-04	3.89E-04	3.66E-04	3.51	E-04	E-04 3.43E-04
verage [Tet] nol/g)	0.00000416	0.0000983	0.0000217	0.0000277	0.0000456	0.0000615	0.0000754	0.	0000963	0000963 0.000106

# Table B.6. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #6

Reaction Time												[]
(min)	4.50	39.5	41.0	82.0	85.0	118.	122.0	153.5	158.0	180.0	182	Final
mol%												
	20.69	24.98	37.57	32.40	34.93	36.16	37.57	38.41	38.90	38.61	39.68	41.91
H2	124	19	694	777	157	861	111	682	08	666	133	776
	2.134	1.903	1.052	0.991	0.823	0.910	0.853	0.936	1.013	1.175	1.029	1.680
O2	2	72	581	645	64	305	895	62	68	94	465	055
	38.37	27.42	7.435	13.87	10.20	7.985	6.419		5.383	5.546	4.600	6.314
N2	341	673	521	449	522	13	365	5.746	515	15	505	56
			0.089	0.032	0.047	0.064	0.081		0.111	0.122	0.135	0.112
CH4			022	645	68	96	675	0.096	26	295	99	18
	24.93	29.31	29.82	33.23	33.14	31.91	30.79	29.16	27.89	26.24	25.74	29.93
CO	35	783	277	359	705	019	753	239	451	699	412	84
	1.293	2.344	10.86	5.365	7.136	8.964	10.45	12.05	13.44	14.56	15.50	10.85
CO2	835	06	117	955	575	915	868	291	543	238	671	286
		0.031	0.025	0.026	0.025							
C2H4		08	943	435	45							
	0.016	0.026	0.066	0.043	0.058	0.057	0.066	0.074	0.081	0.087	0.092	0.043
C2H6	677	42	802	925	05	515	185	29	99	57	305	13
C2H2												
	1.366	1.680	2.255	2.155	2.295	2.377	2.418	2.471	2.511	2.516	2.524	1.137
H2S	12	02	486	21	495	46	22	08	78	36	02	55
	0.066	0.081	0.091	0.101	0.100	0.096	0.092	0.088	0.084	0.079	0.076	0.099
COS	325	285	284	51	515	89	33	5	52	43	515	95
1,2 prop=												
		3.442	2.792	3.093	2.737	3.135		3.148	3.337	3.235	2.918	0.599
Water		42	224	625	3	15	3.102	67	22	775	73	772
62			0.010		0.008	0.010	0.012	0	0.014		0.015	
C3			76		1	2	145	0	4	0.011	555	
<i></i>			0.010				0.006	0.010	0.010	0.014	0.009	
n-C4			84	0.014	0.01.4	0.017	3/	9	625	145	955	
: 64	0	0	0.017	0.014	0.014	0.017	0.016	0.016	0.018	0.021	0.019	
1-C4	0 004	0 005	4/9	025	/5	33	805	01	82	225	01	<b> </b>
- CC	0.004	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.005	
n-C6	98	10	91/	05	4/5	885	80	15	155	28	995	0.225
C9	1.990	2.258	1.704	1.9/1	1./88	1.996	1.895	1.919	1.939	1.914	1./98	0.225
n-C8	88	33	639	495	665	0/	39	26	925	45	30	015

Table B.6. 3: GC Gas Mol % Analysis, Experiment #6

Experimental Conditions for #7: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig H<sub>2</sub>,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.7.1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #7

Reaction Time (min)	5.5	37.5	76.5	109.5	142.5	180
Mass of Empty Vial	16.6681	16.6094	16.7357	16.6511	16.8674	16.6669
Mass of sample + vial	19.2175	18.9172	18.1973	19.2986	19.0684	18.4452
mass of liquid sample	2.5494	2.3078	1.4616	2.6475	2.201	1.7783

Table B.7. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #7

Reaction Time (min)	5.5	37.5	76.5	109.5	142.5	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000409	0.000375	0.000328	0.000283	0.000231	0.000181
[Tet] (mol/g-liq)	6.43E-06	3.15E-05	7.49E-05	0.000128	0.000186	0.000226
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET]$	0.000402	0.000377	0.000334	0.000281	0.000222	0.000183

Table B.7. 3: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #7

Reaction Time (min)	5.5	37.5	76.5	109.5	142.5	180	Final
H2	10.23121	19.51655	27.13614	31.24715	34.01994	35.64341	27.04866
02	8.01412	3.43116	1.47417	0.63503	0.310295	0.1114	1.959717
N2	31.26973	14.2776	6.9002	3.60615	2.333235	1.796585	9.431377
CH4			0.019065	0.03168	0.04543	0.059695	0.05133
СО	32.7435	38.68886	33.40004	27.18789	22.33753	18.48655	31.28957
CO2	10.01717	19.35892	26.87526	33.54757	37.87991	41.15709	32.72063
C2H4							
C2H6	0.010505	0.02126	0.07457	0.07823	0.083055	0.095525	0.05081
C2H2		0					
H2S	0.12275	0.18369	0.212975	0.24542	0.25762	0.26751	0.101913
COS	0.02534	0.02561	0.019905	0.01515	0.01235		0.04187
Water		2.81466	3.029175	3.02817	3.02408	3.24378	0.641963
C3		0.01555	0.00809				
n-C4			0.004385		0.007795	0.00847	
i-C4			0.0025	0.0172	0.017975	0.019715	
n-C8	2.01209	1.74105	1.761085	1.79384	1.74269	1.852175	0.19877

Experimental Conditions for #17:  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ , 15 psig  $H_2S$ , 585 psig  $H_2$ , 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml  $H_2O$ , 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Reaction Time (min)	1.75	39	76.75	113	146.75	180
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.4928	16.4251	16.5274	16.5447	16.4664	16.467
Mass of sample + vial (g)	17.0721	16.7305	16.986	16.9297	18.5875	18.5052
mass of liquid sample (g)	0.5793	0.3054	0.4586	0.385	2.1211	2.0382

Table B.17. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #17

Table B.17. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #17

Reaction Time (min)	1.75	39	76.75	113	146.75	180	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000517	0.000407	0.000231	0.000141	6.52E-05	4.75E-05	0.00047052
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	3.02E-05	0.000159	0.000305	0.000419	0.000388	0.000385	0
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	3.69E-07	1.11E-06	2.81E-06	4.32E-06	5.47E-06	1.13462E- 05
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	3.69E-07	1.85E-06	4.45E-06	7.14E-06	8.97E-06	1.91626E- 05
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]- [DEC]	0.000517	0.000566	0.000539	0.000568	0.000464	0.000447	0.000501

Experiment #17						
Reaction Time (min)	1.75	39	76.75	113	146.75	180
Average ESTD mol%						
H2	30.54748	30.97922	31.50314	28.92085	48.86165	50.77078
O2	12.88293	13.64099	13.7689	14.28802	10.34075	9.95006
N2	50.972	51.61658	51.92845	53.90311	38.77356	37.28057
CH4		0	0	0	0	0
СО	0	0	0	0	0	0
CO2	0.111335	0.07188	0.07052	0.07499	0.09133	0.09322
С2Н4						
С2Н6	0.12585	0.07735	0.08402	0.08244	0.129935	0.13356
C2H2						
H2S	0.764225	1.00744	1.05781	1.020235	1.607785	1.64965
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0.00234	0.00501
i-C4	0		0.003665	0.0037	0.004535	0.004705
n-C6	0	0.00237	0.003295	0.003145	0.00372	0.004275
n-C8	2.234765	2.125045	1.98877	2.06194	1.90478	1.941105

### Table B.17. 3: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #17

### Table B.17. 4: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #17

Reaction Time (min)	1.75	39	76.75	113	146.75	180
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.006665	0.006333	0.006265	0.00602	0.007917	0.007302
n H2 (mols) from gas sampling PT data	0.002036	0.001962	0.001974	0.001741	0.003868	0.003707
[H2] (mol/g-Liq)	0.003515	0.006424	0.004304	0.004522	0.001824	0.001819

Experimental Conditions for #28:  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ , 15 psig  $H_2S$ , 585 psig CO, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml  $H_2O$ , 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Sample #	Purge	1	2	2B	3	3B	4	4B	5	5B	6	6B
Reactio												
n Time												
(min)		0		36		76.5		113.5		153.5		179.3
Mass												
of												
Empty												
Vial		16.433	16.645	16.418	16.440	16.469	16.493	16.948	16.943	16.541	16.514	
(g)	16.782	4	7	7	6	6	9	3	5	6	2	16.728
Mass												
of												
sample												
+ vial	18.774	18.513		18.339	17.172	18.414	17.137	18.706		18.133	17.155	18.344
(g)	2	8	17.377	1	8	5	8	2	17.266	5	9	5
mass												
of												
liquid												
sampl												
e (g)	1.9922	2.0804	0.7313	1.9204	0.7322	1.9449	0.6439	1.7579	0.3225	1.5919	0.6417	1.6165

Table B.28. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #28

Table B.28. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #28

Reaction Time (min)	0	36	76.5	113.5	153.5	179.3167
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000403	0.000244	0.000128	7.46E-05	5.15E-05	4.69E-05
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	4.89E-05	0.000224	0.000315	0.000343	0.00036	0.000386
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.45E-07	5.55E-07	1.83E-06	3.22E-06	5.06E-06	6.53E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.41E-07	1.08E-06	3.23E-06	5.64E-06	8.5E-06	1.09E-05
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.000395	0.000218	0.000124	9.26E-05	7.04E-05	4.01E-05

Reaction Time (min)	0	36	76.5	113.5	153.5	179.3167
H2	48.52133	49.01566	47.66606	50.66847	48.56587	37.70443
02	10.07084	9.869535	10.16225	9.566325	9.93073	12.20178
N2	37.9991	37.30546	38.35841	36.11552	37.48964	46.31809
CH4	0	0	0	0	0	0
СО	0	0	0	0	0	0
CO2	0.122825	0.15088	0.11811	0.187145	0.124185	0.11421
С2Н4	0.09247	0	0	0	0	0
С2Н6	0.44287	0.70153	0.715225	0.80451	0.710995	0.52571
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.94378	1.162985	1.21971	1.37202	1.24392	0.868675
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0.46768	0.53217	0.511125	0.507465	0.596225	0.432165
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0.02807	0.02748	0.02693	0.02633	0.02681	0.02239
n-C6	0	0	0	0.002175	0	0.00432
n-C8	1.41547	1.36672	1.312615	1.306785	1.449605	1.14064

Table B.28. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #28

Table B.28. 4: Calculated Gas Analysis, Experiment #28

Reaction Time (min)	0	36	76.5	113.5	153.5	179.3167
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.008541	0.008293	0.008135	0.00806	0.008095	0.00971
[H2] (mol / g-Liq)	0.001992	0.002117	0.001994	0.002323	0.00247	0.002265

## **B3** Effect of Solvent on WGS and and naphthalene hydrogenation in emulsions

Experimental Conditions for #15: CO/H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>),  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller

Reaction Time (min)	2.55	37.21667	73.55	108.05	144.05	180
Mass of Empty Vial	16.4732	16.4952	16.6002	16.909	16.9691	16.5493
Mass of sample + vial	17.457	17.5397	17.561	18.1449	18.0785	18.6634
mass of liquid sample	0.9838	1.0445	0.9608	1.2359	1.1094	2.1141

Table B.15. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #15

Table B.15. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #15

Reaction Time (min)	2.55	37.21667	73.55	108.05	144.05	180	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000474	0.000392	0.000316	0.000277	0.000216	0.00016	0.000471
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	1.71E-05	8.35E-05	0.000154	0.000216	0.00026	0.000287	0.000718
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	7.23E-07	7.23E-07	1.28E-06	4.65E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	7.23E-07	1.21E-06	1.74E-06	7.48E-06
[NPT] = [NPT]0 - [TET]-[DEC]	0.000456	0.00039	0.00032	0.000256	0.000212	0.000183	-0.00026

(min) Time	2.55	37.21667	73.55	108.05	144.05	180	Final
H2	20.91247	22.72481	26.06571	25.32719	23.66655	35.26026	47.81594
02	12.26851	11.96504	10.88215	11.12995	11.59396	7.6117	2.938305
N2	46.5536	45.29375	41.24555	42.1874	43.88056	28.88559	11.05437
CH4		0.02626	0.04959	0.066125	0.074375	0.13007	0.150635
СО	11.16778	8.27789	7.177445	5.606535	4.271755	5.31705	14.10342
CO2	4.905645	7.798445	10.68041	12.19014	12.58895	19.56075	21.75184
C2H4							0
C2H6	0.068065	0.065535	0.078095	0.08364	0.082145	0.119965	0.09832
C2H2							0
H2S	0.64779	0.72693	0.83206	0.86192	0.81677	1.16475	0.90427
COS	0.030815	0.02415	0.02052	0.0169	0.013205	0.01494	0.04956
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	2.981325	2.750725	2.75679	2.308315	3.1754	2.89593	3.211485
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0.00818	0.00766	0.01054	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0.004355	0.00409	0.00653	0
i-C4	0		0.003715	0.004305	0.00357	0.00515	0
n-C6	0.00263	0.00267	0.002475	0.002725	0.00261	0.004205	0
n-C8	1.15778	1.64834	1.71474	1.532615	1.802065	1.762575	0.66002

Table B.15. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #15

Table B.15. 4: GC Gas Concentrations, Experiment #15

Reaction Time (min)	2.55	37.21667	73.55	108.05	144.05	180
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.006887	0.006974	0.00716	0.007075	0.007184	0.009768
[H2] (mol/g liq)	0.001464	0.001517	0.001942	0.00145	0.001532	0.001629
[CO] (mol/g liq)	0.000782	0.000553	0.000535	0.000321	0.000277	0.000246
[CO2] (mol/g liq)	0.000343	0.000521	0.000796	0.000698	0.000815	0.000904

mass of liquid sample (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Reaction Time (min)	Sample #
2.0034	18.5412	16.5378		Purge
2.4802	19.179	16.6988	1	1
2.2015	18.8047	16.6032		2
1.8264	18.3452	16.5188	37.5	2B
1.689	18.2046	16.5156		ω
1.9792	18.5627	16.5835	72.5	3B
1.2662	17.8922	16.626		4
2.1893	18.7028	16.5135	108	4B
1.1468	17.6812	16.5344		S
2.2222	18.7988	16.5766	144.5	SB
1.1204	17.5367	16,4163		σ
2.2714	18.7888	16.5174	180	6B

Table B.25. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #25

Experimental Conditions for #25: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.25. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #25

Reaction Time (min)	1	37.5	72.5	108	144.5	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000431	0.000368	0.00026	0.000177	0.000138	0.000118
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	2.95E-05	0.00013	0.000238	0.00029	0.000335	0.000356
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.45E-07	1.69E-07	4.34E-07	8.44E-07	1.66E-06	2.22E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.89E-07	3.62E-07	6.99E-07	1.66E-06	3.42E-06	4.12E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]- [DEC]	0.000455	0.000355	0.000246	0.000192	0.000145	0.000122

Table B.25. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #25

Reaction Time (min)	1	37.5	72.5	108	144.5	180
H2	18.83904	23.66447	23.639	23.319	23.34695	22.92294
02	6.4901	6.148	6.06356	5.93037	5.754895	5.794815
N2	24.87588	23.53149	23.0773	22.57958	21.91093	22.04533
CH4		0	0	0	0	0
СО	26.00336	15.14023	10.33037	7.81876	6.75008	5.855175
CO2	17.3898	28.16114	30.05821	32.99538	35.06144	36.13704
C2H4						
С2Н6	0.052405	0.08503	0.130465	0.134835	0.136855	0.138305
C2H2						
H2S	0.71693	0.90719	0.915495	0.913825	0.953515	0.936135
COS	0.091275	0.04655	0.03095	0.022765	0.02079	0.01815
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0.51425	0.58673	0.565115	0.620775	0.55662	0.58188
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0.020185		0.01242	0.018575	0.012575	0.0123
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0

### Table B.25. 4: GC Gas Concentrations, Experiment #25

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Reaction Time (min)	1	37.5	72.5	108	144.5	180
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.009774	0.010281	0.010522	0.010621	0.010458	0.010547
[H2] (mol/g liq)	0.001025	0.000628	0.000438	0.000335	0.000285	0.000249
[CO] (mol/g liq)	0.000742	0.000981	0.001003	0.000999	0.000984	0.000975
[CO2] (mol/g liq)	0.000685	0.001167	0.001275	0.001413	0.001478	0.001537

6B	179.9	16.6421	18.92	2.2779
ې		16.3269	17.0985	0.7716
SB	143	16.6351	18.57	1.9349
'n		16.6556	17.2891	0.6335
4B	106.3	16.49	18.3583	1.8683
4		16.5873	17.4166	0.8293
3B	70	16.3339	18.3495	2.0156
m		16.2579	17.3333	1.0754
2B	36.5	16.6963	18.4526	1.7563
13		16.9221	17.9339	1.0118
1	0.5	16.5295	18.6163	2.0868
Purge		16.3807	17.8903	1.5096
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

Experimental Conditions for #29:  $N_2/H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ , 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig (1:1 = CO/H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.39 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.29. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #29

Table B.29. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #29

Reaction Time (min)	0.5	36.5	70	106.3	143	179.9167
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.0004	0.000304	0.00024	0.000201	0.000172	0.000155
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	3.37E-05	0.000123	0.000186	0.000235	0.000254	0.000266
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.17E-07	1.45E-07	2.89E-07	5.79E-07	7.59E-07	9.76E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.89E-07	2.89E-07	5.79E-07	1.01E-06	1.41E-06	1.88E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET]-[DEC]$	0.000396	0.000307	0.000243	0.000193	0.000174	0.000161

Table B.29. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #29

Reaction Time							
(min)	0.5	36.5	70	106.3	143	179.9167	Final
	24.00570	00.7451	20.65001	10.07557	10 72202	20 55250	0.000050
H2	24.89579	22.7451	20.65091	18.07557	18.73282	20.77378	0.388953
02	8.711115	8.40815	8.784355	9.552125	9.12212	8.21031	0.022468
N2 (air) – calculated							
from O2 mol%	34.84446	33.6326	35.13742	38.2085	36.48848	32.84124	0.089873
N2 (system)	26 53/47	29 11/21	29 36834	27 46538	29 28675	32 68608	0.59238
142 (system)	20.33447	27.11421	27.30034	27.40550	29.20075	52.00000	0.37238
N2 (total) -							
measured by GC	61.37893	62.74681	64.50576	65.67388	65.77523	65.52732	
	-						
CH4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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CO2	0.11581	0.11739	0.099285	0.09602	0.10034	0.09627	0.001115
C2H4	0.126105	0.05708	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.4603	0.8073	0.900975	0.85805	0.80/155	0.048665	0.00289
02110	0.4095	0.8975	0.900975	0.85895	0.894155	0.948003	0.00289
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.779745	0.914835	0.85168	0.89081	0.93179	0.98934	0.007428
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.2-Pron=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2 110p	0	Ũ	Ū.	Ŭ	Ũ	Ŭ	Ŭ
Water	0.44091	0.58215	0.592375	0.72193	0.70723	0.6436	0.004128
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>C3</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
05	0	Ū	0	0	Ū	Ū.	Ū.
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0.00776	0.01027	0.0198	0.00695	0.0149	0.01504	0
<i>n</i> C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11-00	U	U	U	0	0	0	U
n-C8	1.429975	1.600115	1.56493	1.696655	1.733405	1.557555	0.003106
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### Table B.29. 4: GC Analysis, Experiment #29

Reaction Time (min)	0.5	36.5	70	106.3	143	179.9167
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.008669	0.008618	0.00891	0.008887	0.008421	0.008747
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001034	0.001116	0.000913	0.00086	0.000815	0.000798
[N2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001102	0.001429	0.001298	0.001306	0.001275	0.001255

mass of liquid sample (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Reaction Time (min)	Sample #
2.3319	18.9427	16.6108		Purge
2.6937	19.2505	16.5568	1.75	-
1.2289	17.8019	16.573		22
2.5283	19.0021	16.4738	39	2B
1.359	17.9428	16.5838		ω
2.3895	18.9716	16.5821	76.75	3B
1.5736	18.1643	16.5907		4
1.1511	17.6402	16.4891	113	4B
1.064	17.6239	16.5599		Ch.
1.2901	17.8998	16.6097	146.75	5B
0.9395	17.4802	16.5407		õ
2.2718	18.8461	16.5743	180	6B

Table B.24. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #24

Experimental Conditions for #24: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 4.5 g NAPH, 0.47 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed
Table B.24. 2: GC Liquid Analysis, Experiment #24

Time (min)	1.00	37.5	72.5	108	144.5	180
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000465	0.000405	0.000288	0.000218	0.000156	0.000128
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	2.4E-05	0.000146	0.00025	0.000351	0.00036	0.000343
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	3.62E-07	3.86E-07	7.23E-07	1.06E-06	1.45E-06	1.93E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	6.03E-07	6.75E-07	1.01E-06	1.93E-06	3.06E-06	3.18E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.000507	0.000385	0.00028	0.000178	0.000168	0.000184

Table B.24. 3: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #24

Reaction Time (min)	1	37.5	72.5	108	144.5	180	Final
Average ESTD mol%							
H2	17.42496	21.94358	22.72219	15.79708	14.46455	20.71866	24.83501
O2	6.582735	5.788025	5.570615	9.903865	9.759925	6.07343	0.87273
N2	25.53505	22.42639	21.60324	37.71162	38.05975	23.3895	3.795143
CH4		0	0	0	0	0	0
СО	27.34936	16.95907	11.81247	6.30105	4.83709	5.700205	26.02378
CO2	17.08484	26.29272	30.57282	23.63066	26.47778	35.8348	40.88964
C2H4							0
C2H6	0.12805	0.18652	0.193325	0.117575	0.145235	0.196735	0.19122
C2H2							0
H2S	0.57216	0.77065	0.793165	0.61622	0.21827	0.85157	1.030533
COS	0.09774	0.05339	0.035765	0.022995	0.02055	0.019135	0.14232
1,2- Prop=	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!	0	0
Water	0.43713	0.461325	0.551325	0.45408	0.58906	0.563905	0.39412
Prop	0.0121	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0.01542		0.020325	0.024785	0.03647	0.02535	0
n-C6	0	0.0021	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0.049825	0.036755	0.029825	0.0271	0.039065	0.02774	0.01497

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Table B.24. 4: GC Gas Concentrations, Experiment #24

Reaction Time (min)	1	37.5	72.5	108	144.5	180
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.009486	0.010307	0.010216	0.007024	0.007063	0.010415
[H2] (mol/g liq)	0.000963	0.000649	0.000448	0.000164	0.000127	0.00022
[CO] (mol/g liq)	0.000614	0.00084	0.000862	0.000412	0.000379	0.000801
[CO2] (mol/g liq)	0.000602	0.001006	0.001159	0.000616	0.000694	0.001385

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Experimental Conditions for #10: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs, 18 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 11.17 g NAPH, 1.16 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Reaction Time (min)	2.333333	50	98	146	194	240
Mass of Empty Vial	16.7094	16.5821	16.8526	16.6112	16.7102	16.3757
Mass of sample + vial	18.3507	17.6686	17.9454	17.5919	17.618	17.1968
mass of liquid sample	1.6413	1.0865	1.0928	0.9807	0.9078	0.8211

Table B.10. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #10

Table B.10. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #10

Reaction Time (min)	2.333333	50	98	146	194	240	
[NPT] (mol/g- liq)	0.002297	0.001658	0.000976	0.000801	0.000619	0.00056	0.000471
[TET] (mol/g- liq)	3.18E-05	0.000619	0.001158	0.001577	0.001681	0.001763	0.001583
[c-DEC] (mol/g- liq)	0	9.27E-07	2.89E-06	6.21E-06	7.65E-06	1.04E-05	1.13E-05
[t-DEC] (mol/g- liq)	0	1.39E-06	4.34E-06	8.79E-06	1.34E-05	1.77E-05	1.92E-05
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]- [DEC]	0.002265	0.001676	0.001132	0.000705	0.000595	0.000506	0.000684

Reaction Time (min)	2.333333	50	98	146	194	240
H2	20.51126	23.13192	21.26485	19.60065	18.10106	17.34976
02	8.5417	7.74653	7.333535	6.99561	7.54379	7.282195
N2	32.459	29.35316	27.81058	26.54217	28.58188	27.5672
CH4		0.06065	0.084525	0.09971	0.102275	0.10974
СО	10.81996	1.796275	0.73883	0.58182	0.47927	0.474445
CO2	20.30867	30.56363	35.68412	38.5065	37.2428	38.71705
C2H4						
C2H6	0.20065	0.248545	0.28295	0.30604	0.29274	0.305265
C2H2						
H2S	0.583855	0.705075	0.84204	0.908015	0.867715	0.91729
COS	0.024485	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=						
Water						
Prop						
C3						
n-C4						0.005805
i-C4	0		0.00745	0.008065	0.00799	0.008245
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0.1932	0.17396	0.1349	0.52114	0.056615	0.042135

Table B.10. 3: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #10

Table B.10. 4: GC Gas Concentration, Experiment #10

Reaction Time (min)	2.333333	50	98	146	194	240
Total calculated moles of						
gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.00897	0.01041	0.010262	0.01015	0.010186	0.009798
[H2] (mol/g liq)	0.001121	0.002216	0.001997	0.002029	0.002031	0.00207
[CO] (mol/g liq)	0.000591	0.000172	6.94E-05	6.02E-05	5.38E-05	5.66E-05
[CO2] (mol/g liq)	0.00111	0.002928	0.003351	0.003985	0.004179	0.00462

Experimental Conditions for #12: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 11.17 g NAPH, 0 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Reaction Time (min)	2.75	47.25	95.75	142.24	189.75	240
Mass of Empty Vial	16.4932	16.4647	16.3275	16.5898	16.4082	16.4798
Mass of sample + vial	17.955	17.515	17.3706	17.6336	17.3678	18.1438
mass of liquid sample	1.4618	1.0503	1.0431	1.0438	0.9596	1.664

Table B.12. 1: Sample of Masses, Experiment #12

Table B.12. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #12

Reaction Time (min)	2.75	47.25	95.75	142.24	189.75	240	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	.001963	0.001966	0.001951	0.001864	0.001766	0.001243	0.000471
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0	4.21e-05	0.000107	0.000186	0.000283	0.000316	0.001583
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Reaction Time (min)	2.75	47.25	95.75	142.25	189.75	240
Average ESTD mol%						
H2	8.44547	16.42401	20.62474	22.04905	22.22162	28.05889
02	9.557655	8.07252	7.26574	7.08282	7.540775	4.629415
N2	36.25177	30.49896	27.49574	26.85425	28.4217	17.56415
CH4		0.019795	0.03847	0.05472	0.066085	0.10242
СО	30.04017	20.72653	16.40921	12.76979	9.854625	10.02895
CO2	7.76776	15.7986	20.25204	23.38165	24.43037	33.69321
С2Н4						
С2Н6	0.039895	0.13082	0.19608	0.247945	0.269875	0.36749
C2H2						
H2S	0.63896	0.802855	0.837405	0.834635	0.79491	0.936965
COS	0.14117	0.08219	0.054935	0.039995	0.027655	0.027495
1,2-Prop=						
Water						
Prop						
C3						
n-C4						0.006165
i-C4	0		0	0.003985	0.004435	0.005485
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0.08095	0.06965	0.03404	0.019445	0.012785	0

Table B.12. 3: GC Analysis, Experiment #12

Sample #	Purge	1	0	28		3B	4	4B	v.	5B	Q	5B
Reaction Time (min)		0		28.5	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	72		102		133		177.8
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.562	16.609	16.465	16.629	15.86	16.695	16.4	16.516	16.779	16.386	16.576	16.477
Mass of sample + vial (g)	18.374	18.338	17.495	18.462	16.615	17.409	18.192	18.151	17.884	18.018	17.661	17.8
mass of liquid sample (g)	1.8126	1.7287	1.0307	1.8332	0.7551	0.7144	1.7923	1.635	1.1055	1.6318	1.0851	1.3232

Table B.30. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #30

Experimental Conditions for #30: (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 3.7 g NAPH, 0 mmoles Mo)

Table B.30. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #30

Reaction Time (min)	0	38.5	72	102	133	177.75
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000556	0.000545	0.000519	0.000436	0.000441	0.00042
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	2.02E-05	3.58E-05	4.9E-05	6.66E-05	9.08E-05	0.000123
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.45E-07	1.45E-07	4.82E-08	7.61E-08	7.23E-08	7.23E-08
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.17E-07	2.17E-07	4.82E-08	7.61E-08	7.23E-08	1.45E-07
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]- [DEC]	0.000536	0.00052	0.000507	0.00049	0.000465	0.000433

Table B.30. 3: GC Analysis, Experiment #30

Reaction Time (min)	0	38.5	72	102	133	177.75
Average ESTD mol%						
H2	10.56892	16.3314		19.26483	19.68537	20.19802
02	9.13483	7.84206		7.56177	7.555205	7.459035
N2 Total	34.55176	29.95559		28.70335	28.67492	28.35941
CH4	0	0		0.03041	0.03849	0.048985
СО	31.27573	25.4229		20.59983	19.00374	17.44838
CO2	9.988	15.95281		19.88774	20.99054	22.25722
C2H4	0.0422	0		0	0	0
C2H6	0.027265	0.026425		0.03364	0.03583	0.0386
C2H2	0	0		0	0	0
H2S	0.44398	0.453085		0.553505	0.542735	0.520035
COS	0.155355	0.097665		0.07054	0.062325	0.056265
1,2-Prop=	0	0		0	0	0
Water	0.484705	0.503455		0.456375	0.49758	0.517685
Prop	0	0		0	0	0
C3	0	0		0	0	0
n-C4	0	0		0	0	0
i-C4	0.018515	0.00516		0	0	0
n-C6	0	0		0	0	0
n-C8	0.03119	0.01759		0	0	0

g	164.5	16.417	18.234	1.8168
Q		16.476	17.614	1.1377
5B	123	16.469	18.154	1.6849
Ŷ		16.559	17.757	1861.1
4B	85.5	16.574	18.143	1.5689
4		16.518	17.795	1.2776
B	58	16.489		
		16.469	17.4	0.9313
2B	28.5	16.501	18.243	1.7425
2		16.604	17.827	1.2225
		16.426	719.71	1.4914
Jurge		6.601	8.341	.74
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g) 1

Table B.32. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #32

Experimental Conditions for #32: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.47 mmoles Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.32. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #32

Reaction Time (min)	0	28.5	58	85.5	123	164.5
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000564	0.000527	0.000476	0.000416	0.000358	0.000277
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	2.96E-05	7.7E-05	0.000133	0.000197	0.00025	0.0003
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	7.23E-08	1.45E-07	2.28E-07	3.38E-07	5.79E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	1.45E-07	2.28E-07	4.82E-07	7.59E-07
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET]-[DEC]$	0.000573	0.000526	0.000469	0.000406	0.000352	0.000301

Table B.32. 3: GC Analysis, Experiment #32

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Reaction Time (min)	0	28.5	58	85.5	123	164.5
H2	19.41251	22.12124	23.00018	22.59082	22.83067	21.98403
02	7.26638	7.20756	7.146255	7.15926	6.86144	7.11771
N2 Total	27.88216	27.62378	27.37499	27.39449	26.30607	27.24875
CH4	0.02422	0.04887	0.06605	0.08153	0.1013	0.105
СО	20.10525	15.42438	12.55929	10.58658	8.563515	7.852905
CO2	19.21731	22.74794	25.08062	26.79698	29.15283	29.43669
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.11253	0.124715	0.15853	0.191475	0.19882	0.196345
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.44449	0.64059		0.69862	0.71526	0.69758
COS	0.073375	0.04781		0.0311	0.02542	0.023875
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0.52152	0.470865	0.43578	0.520185	0.62613	0.716795
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0

Sample #	Purge		6	28		38	4	8		SB	٥	99
Reaction Time (min)		0		28.5		28	~~	85.5		123		164.5
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.546	16.447	16.648	16.477	16.446	16.459	16.544	16.639	16.569	16.434	16.479	16.529
Mass of sample + vial (g)	18.538	18.399	9.71	18.423	17.715	18.601	17.65	18.603	727.71	18.432	17.523	18.534
mass of liquid sample (g)	7199.1	1.9512	1.2515	1.9461	1.2682	2.1417	1.106	1.9645	1.1574	1.9983	1.0437	2.0046

Experimental Conditions for #33: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.47 mmoles Ru (Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO<sub>12</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.33. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #33

## Table B.33. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #33

Reaction Time (min)	0	28.5	58	85.5	123	164.5
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000521	0.000558	0.000595	0.000571	0.000585	0.000574
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	8.14E-06	5.27E-06	7.89E-06	9.06E-06	1.25E-05	1.5E-05
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	0	0	0
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	7.23E-08	0	7.23E-08	7.23E-08
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET]-[DEC]$	0.00058	0.000583	0.00058	0.000579	0.000575	0.000573

Table B.33. 3: GC Analysis, Experiment #33

Reaction Time (min)	15.25	45.5	80.5	125	155.5	179.2833
H2	5.606175	8.268888	10.71512	12.65042	14.06458	14.14804
02	8.97056	8.58566	8.20197	8.107045	8.03633	8.02602
N2 Total	34.57495	32.67987	31.25922	30.94626	30.66457	30.61359
CH4	0	0	0	0	0	0
СО	39.31039	38.27881	35.64102	32.12815	30.46162	29.33169
CO2	4.618045	7.258685	9.638525	11.56268	12.92263	13.64798
C2H4	0.396605	0.36834	0.392535	0.4066	0.384355	0.3725
С2Н6	0.0245	0.04436	0.04411	0.061355	0.073155	0.08016
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.774885	0.92256	0.99606	1.01821	1.027695	1.02044
COS	0.386465	0.27227	0.21474	0.170945	0.152915	0.14714
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0.55179	0.59719
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0

1.9752	18.367	16.392	151.5	68
0.6682	17.189	16.521		
2.0049	18.364	16.36	122	SB
1.0246	17.748	16.724		S
1759.1	18.353	16.416	86	4B
0.9892	17.546	16.557		4
2.0202	18.525	16.504	52.5	3B
1.9636	17.43	16.466		
2.0276	18.607	16.579	34	2B
	17.515	16.455		
.974	[8.544	[		
.8482	8.307	6.458		urge
mass of liquid sample (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g) 1	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Reaction Time (min)	Sample # F

Experimental Conditions for #34: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 3 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.47 mmoles Ru(acac)<sub>3</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.34. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #34

Table B.34. 2:	GC Liquid A	.nalysis, E	xperiment #34
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Reaction Time (min)	0	34	62.5	98	122	151.5
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000575	0.000529	0.000492	0.000454	0.000443	0.000422
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	2.31E-05	5.26E-05	7.75E-05	0.00011	0.000132	0.000163
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	7.61E-08	7.23E-08	1.45E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	7.23E-08	1.52E-07	1.69E-07	2.53E-07
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET]-[DEC]$	0.000552	0.000523	0.000498	0.000464	0.000443	0.000412

Table B.34. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #34

Reaction Time (min)	0	34	62.5	98	122	151.5
H2	5.49802					
02	1.406005					
N2 Total	6.034055					
CH4	0					
СО	81.72848					
CO2	3.357705					
C2H4	0.285865					
C2H6	0.03851					
C2H2	0					
H2S	0.35542					
COS	0.05303					
1,2-Prop=	0					
Water	0.303435					
Prop	0					
C3	0					
n-C4	0					
i-C4	0					
n-C6	0					
n-C8	0					

Experiment g NAPH, 1.	al Conditions for #36: 16 mmoles Mo; 0.7 m	CO/H <sub>2</sub> O/H <sub>2</sub> S, 15 psig mole Ru(acac) <sub>3</sub> , 1500 l	H₂S, 585 psig CO, 4.0 RPM Impeller Speed	)°C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs,	18 ml H <sub>2</sub> O, 52 ml tolu	iene, 11.17

6B	119.5	16.6354 16.811	17.296 18.47	0.6606 1.659
SB	89.5	16.7039	18.4664	1.7625
v		16.6449	17.5055	0.8606
4B	59.5	16.6636	18.3028	1.6392
4		16.5632	17.3089	0.7457
3B	39.5	16.596	18.1706	1.5746
		16.5481	17.3862	0.8381
2B	19.5	16.5515	8169.71	1.4403
6		16.8497	17.7072	0.8575
_	0	16.6473	17.9896	1.3423
Purge		16.6678	18.8602	2.1924
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

Table B.36. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #36

## Table B.36. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #36

Reaction Time (min)	0.00	19.50	39.50	59.50	89.50	119.50
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.002198	0.002142	0.001806		0.001711	0.001379
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	7.28E-05	0.000156	0.000258	0.000274	0.000602	0.000737
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	0	8.52E-08	2.23E-07	4.44E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	4.71E-08	1.7E-07	4.02E-07	7.41E-07
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET]-[DEC]$	0.002125	0.002042	0.00194	0.001923	0.001595	0.00146

#### Table B.36. 3: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #36

Reaction							
(min)	0.00	19.50	39.50	59.50	89.50	119.50	Final
H2	21.61203	24.60084	26.54063	27.1485	27.55704	27.33566	31.3899
02	5.510625	5.131565	4.856475	4.84554	4.68334	4.789505	1.53187
N2 Total	21.05513	19.67583	18.63441	18.61563	17.98258	18.38055	6.103523
CH4	0	0.019055	0.02589	0.032495	0.040185	0.04748	0.05332
СО	25.70463	20.24663	16.58459	13.94418	11.09918	8.866325	23.37887
CO2	18.17618	22.31261	25.0169	26.60906	28.97455	30.54275	33.16078
C2H4	0.015895	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.10683	0.122665	0.12756	0.13007	0.153685	0.1543	0.162537
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.54783	0.564395	0.56445	0.547445	0.545485	0.542775	0.57402
COS	0.037375	0.02907	0.023575	0.020445	0.016045	0.013135	0.042203
1,2- Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0.01419	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## **B5.** Fe, V and Ni-promoted Molybenum catalysts

Experimental Conditions for #37: (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 11.17 g NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo; 0.47 mmoles FeSO<sub>4</sub>)

6B	119.5	16.811	18.47	1.659
9		16.6354	17.296	0.6606
5B	89.5	16.7039	18.4664	1.7625
S		16.6449	17.5055	0.8606
4B	59.5	16.6636	18.3028	1.6392
4		16.5632	17.3089	0.7457
3B	39.5	16.596	18.1706	1.5746
ς		16.5481	17.3862	0.8381
2B	19.5	16.5515	17.9918	1.4403
7		16.8497	17.7072	0.8575
1	0	16.6473	17.9896	1.3423
Purge		16.6678	18.8602	2.1924
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

Table B.37. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #37

Table B.37. 2:	GC Liquid Analysis,	Experiment #37
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Reaction Time (min)	0	19.5	39.5	59.5	89.5	119.5
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.002579	0.002248	0.002306	0.002065	0.001756	0.001399
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000122	0.000245	0.00044	0.00063	0.00088	0.001038
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	7.23E-08	1.45E-07	2.8E-07	6.51E-07	1.21E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.41E-08	1.45E-07	2.17E-07	3.81E-07	9.16E-07	1.71E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.002457	0.002334	0.002139	0.001948	0.001698	0.001538

Table B.37. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #37

Reaction Time	_						
(min)	0	19.5	39.5	59.5	89.5	119.5	Final
H2	29.02572	30.16229	30.59468	29.79058	29.04537	28.12419	29.99602
02	5.346095	5.007545	4.923065	4.915365	4.940405	4.953145	1.470163
N2 Total	20.38092	19.00656	18.71403	18.7106	18.80008	18.8679	5.827253
CH4	0.018465	0.031225	0.04219	0.051505	0.06384	0.071785	0.04926
СО	12.66594	8.78712	6.4612	5.347645	4.44765	4.018745	21.31095
CO2	23.87859	27.18775	29.13855	30.59855	31.78375	32.86302	35.88772
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.25477	0.26117	0.26437	0.265695	0.270385	0.27505	0.288753
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.596015	0.618405	0.6147	0.605455	0.609675	0.61768	0.635347
COS	0.019605	0.013195	0	0	0	0	0.052137
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

4B 5	58	.6636 16.6449	.3028 17.5055	6392 0.8606
4		16.5632 16	17.3089	0.7457 1.4
38	39	16.596	18.1706	1.5746
m		16.5481	17.3862	0.8381
2B	61	16.5515	17.9918	1.4403
7		16.8497	17.7072	0.8575
Т	0	16.6473	17.9896	1.3423
Purge		16.6678	18.8602	2.1924
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

Experimental Conditions for #38: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 11.17 g NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo; 0.47 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.38. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #38

## Table B.38. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #38

Reaction Time (min)	0	19	39	58	89	119
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.002313	0.002108	0.002067	0.001846	0.001721	0.001385
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	8.34E-05	0.000167	0.000292	0.000435	0.000658	0.000851
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	7.71E-08	1.54E-07	2.92E-07	6.41E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	0	0	2.31E-07	3.08E-07	6.82E-07	1.11E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.002229	0.002146	0.002021	0.001877	0.001654	0.00146

Table B.38. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #38

Reaction							
(min)	0	19	39	58	89	119	Final
H2	27.78295	30.83965	31.42804	31.74592	30.29152	29.43155	32.64154
02	5.312175	4.960765	4.95615	4.99298	4.958805	4.95649	1.173777
N2 Total	20.16909	18.80698	18.76554	18.90694	18.81862	18.8578	4.597137
CH4	0.008035	0.011695	0.01734	0.042185	0.05152	0.05635	0
СО	14.39192	8.477195	5.47497	4.22553	2.94739	2.500355	20.95384
CO2	22.62186	26.667	28.96119	30.0343	32.148	33.20338	34.46132
C2H4	0.02502	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.341365	0.376575	0.424775	0.430535	0.442415	0.439445	0.41761
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.57288	0.605775	0.59733	0.594785	0.604835	0.600271	0.467357
COS	0.019075	0.011295	0	0	0	0	0.037237
1,2- Prop=	0.027605	0.031335	0.032525	0.03293	0.033935	0.03367	0.007557
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0.03532	0.014685	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

6B	118.5	16.811	18.47	1.659
ې		16.6354	17.296	0.6606
5B	06	16.7039	18.4664	1.7625
v,		16.6449	17.5055	0.8606
4B	59.5	16.6636	18.3028	1.6392
4		16.5632	17.3089	0.7457
3B	39.5	16.596	18.1706	1.5746
m		16.5481	17.3862	0.8381
2B	21.5	16.5515	8199.71	1.4403
7		16.8497	17.7072	0.8575
1	0	16.6473	17.9896	1.3423
Purge		16.6678	18.8602	2.1924
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

Experimental Conditions for #39: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 11.17 g NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo; 0.47 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.39. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #39

Table B.39. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #39

	50 110.5
3 0.000976 0.000747	0.000596 0.00061
9 0.001326 0.001406	0.00136 0.001444
6 3.17E-06 4.71E-06	5.85E-06 5.16E-06
3.99E-06 6.36E-06	8.95E-06 1.24E-05
1 0.000801 0.000717	0.00076 0.000673
	3 0.000976 0.000747   9 0.001326 0.001406   5 3.17E-06 4.71E-06   3.99E-06 6.36E-06   1 0.000801 0.000717

Table B.39. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #39

Reaction							
Time (min)	0	21.5	39.5	59.5	90	118.5	
()	0	2110	0710	0710		11010	
H2	23.21004	20.54814	19.42989	19.46511	19.74885	20.26856	24.26024
O2	5.418475	5.48124	5.547	5.53677	5.49159	5.46603	1.47174
N2 Total	20.70286	20.92147	21.15656	21.13834	20.98122	20.8727	5.996073
CH4	0	0	0.040925	0.046565	0.05167	0.05539	0.060333
СО	9.98744	6.945845	5.790535	5.03428	4.14066	3.5317	21.2907
CO2	29.4351	33.28446	34.87877	35.86465	36.73487	36.91289	39.63121
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.165115	0.198885	0.204675	0.21366	0.21743	0.21561	0.218143
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.720685	0.786685	0.78541	0.777165	0.77198	0.76149	0.671493
COS	0.02369	0.020145	0.017355	0.015	0.01222	0	0.080407
1,2-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

6B	120.00	16.811	18.47	1.659
٥		16.6354	17.296	0.6606
5B	00.06	16.7039	18.4664	1.7625
K)		16.6449	17.5055	0.8606
4B	60.00	16.6636	18.3028	1.6392
4		16.5632	17.3089	0.7457
3B	40.00	16.596	18.1706	1.5746
<i>.</i>		16.5481	17.3862	0.8381
2B	20.00	16.5515	8166.71	1.4403
61		16.8497	17.7072	0.8575
	0.00	16.6473	17.9896	1.3423
Purge		16.6678	18.8602	2.1924
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial	Mass of sample + vial	mass of 1st liquid sample

Experimental Conditions for #40: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 4 hrs, 18 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 11.17 g NAPH, 1.16 mmole Mo, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B40. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #40

Table B40. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #40

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.001785558	0.00140007	0.001086123	0.000797044	0.000573	0.00048716
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000413419	0.00075261	0.001078052	0.001243362	0.00133	0.001445197
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.14065E-07	7.3475E-07	1.99268E-06	3.50517E-06	5.54E-06	7.91652E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	3.85316E-07	1.2399E-06	3.10858E-06	5.29776E-06	8.08E-06	1.22903E-05
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.001634362	0.00129379	0.000965226	0.000796215	0.000705	0.000582976

Table B40. 3: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #40

Reaction							
(min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120	
H2	29.07346	27.14499	25.39397	24.46187	23.57037	23.48459	4.732082
02	5.17174	5.098315	5.098505	5.123725	5.211975	5.10862	3.599278
N2 Total	19.58152	19.4266	19.41973	19.46664	19.8503	19.44866	8.495335
CH4	0.040425	0.06259	0.076225	0.083675	0.089075	0.092285	8.587816
СО	7.04598	4.494975	3.360375	2.879365	2.178475	1.847755	9.124555
CO2	29.75816	33.3084	35.44299	36.57465	37.37213	38.32921	8.587286
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.487703
C2H6	0.120415	0.13586	0.15389	0.16344	0.173725	0.17602	6.986757
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.556236
H2S	0.774895	0.827665	0.84127	0.834635	0.8369	0.824335	8.243167
COS	0.01406	0	0	0	0	0	8.998351
1,2- Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.989951
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.2387
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.84422
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.98493
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.98191
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.47739
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.96985
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.95478

6B	120	16.811	18.47	1.659
ې		16.6354	17.296	0.6606
5B	89.5	16.7039	18.4664	1.7625
ى ب		16.6449	17.5055	0.8606
4B	60	16.6636	18.3028	1.6392
4		16.5632	17.3089	0.7457
3B	40	16.596	18.1706	1.5746
m		16.5481	17.3862	0.8381
2B	20	16.5515	8190.71	1.4403
6		16.8497	17.7072	0.8575
-	0	16.6473	17.9896	1.3423
Purge		16.6678	18.8602	2.1924
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Experimental Conditions for \#41: CO/H_2O/H_2S, 15 \mbox{ psig H}_2S, 585 \mbox{ psig CO}, 4.0^{\circ}\mbox{C/min}, 340 \ ^{\circ}\mbox{C}, 4 \mbox{ hrs}, 18 \mbox{ ml H}_2O, 52 \mbox{ ml toluene}, 11.17 \mbox{ g NAPH}, 1.16 \mbox{ mmoles NiSO}_4; 0.47 \mbox{ mmoles VO}(acac)_2, 1500 \mbox{ RPM Impeller Speed} \end{array}$ 

Table B.41. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #41

Table B.41. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #41

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.001858	0.001565	0.001211	0.000998	0.000765	0.000738
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000416	0.00076	0.000996	0.001187	0.001276	0.001426
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.84E-07	7.52E-07	1.62E-06	2.72E-06	3.92E-06	5.37E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.84E-07	8.36E-07	1.84E-06	3.28E-06	5.23E-06	6.95E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.001774	0.001429	0.001191	0.000998	0.000906	0.000752

Table B.41. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #41

Reaction							
Time							
(min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120	
H2	29.07346	27.14499	25.39397	24.46187	23.57037	23.48459	4.732082
02	5.17174	5.098315	5.098505	5.123725	5.211975	5.10862	3.599278
-							
N2 Total	19 58152	19 4266	19 41973	19 46664	19 8503	19 44866	8 495335
112 Ioui	17.50152	19.1200	19.11975	19.10001	19.0505	19.11000	0.1999999
CH4	0.040425	0.06250	0.076225	0.083675	0.080075	0.002285	8 587816
C114	0.040425	0.00239	0.070225	0.085075	0.089075	0.092285	0.307010
	5.04500	4 40 40 7 5	2.260275	0.0500.65	0.150.455	1.0.477.5.5	0.104555
co	7.04598	4.494975	3.360375	2.879365	2.178475	1.847755	9.124555
CO2	29.75816	33.3084	35.44299	36.57465	37.37213	38.32921	8.587286
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.487703
C2H6	0.120415	0.13586	0.15389	0.16344	0.173725	0.17602	6.986757
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.556236
02112	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.000200
1125	0.774805	0.827665	0.84127	0.824625	0.8360	0.824225	8 242167
п25	0.774695	0.827003	0.04127	0.854055	0.8309	0.824333	0.245107
000	0.01407		0	0	0	0	0.000251
COS	0.01406	0	0	0	0	0	8.998351
1,2-							
Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.989951
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.2387
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.84422
1							
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	14 98493
05	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.90195
n C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.09101
11-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.90191
	0		-	0	0	0	00.45500
1-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.47739
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.96985
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.95478
		1	1				

# **B 6.** Effect of Temperature, $P_{H2S}$ and type of reducing gas on WGS and Naphthalene Hydrogenation

Experimental Conditions for #42: CO/H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 22.5 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 577.5 psig (1:1 = CO/H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 360 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.98 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.97 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

1 2	5		2 <b>B</b>	3	3B	4	4B	5	5B	9	6B
0			18.5		38.5		58.5		88.5		118.5
3 16.6143 16.5	16.5	324	16.7043	16.8098	16.6309	16.5035	16.6562	16.6058	16.6406	16.6309	16.7462
3 18.4621 17.86	17.86	14	18.7209	18.2211	18.7354	17.8674	18.8929	17.9473	18.7952	18.1511	18.8769
1.8478 1.329	1.329		2.0166	1.4113	2.1045	1.3639	2.2367	1.3415	2.1546	1.5202	2.1307

Table B.42. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #42

Table B.42. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #42

Reaction Time (min)	0	18.5	38.5	58.5	88.5	118.5	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000953	0.000866	0.000745	0.000651	0.000597	0.000537	0.000457
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000285	0.000423	0.000525	0.00059	0.000633	0.00063	0.000563
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.93E-07	3.62E-07	5.79E-07	9.38E-07	1.13E-06	1.47E-06	1.33E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	3.13E-07	8.92E-07	9.89E-07	2.62E-06	4.7E-06	4.34E-06	3.57E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.000958	0.000819	0.000716	0.000649	0.000604	0.000607	0.000675

Table B.42. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #42

Reaction							
(min)	0	18.5	38.5	58.5	88.5	118.5	Final
H2	30.43808	29.50305	26.88104	26.2846	26.05975	24.76823	51.45206
O2	9.188425	9.24453	9.47494	9.52384	9.62075	9.796966	2.47313
N2 Total	35.00545	35.20906	36.07016	36.25488	36.63657	37.30018	9.615643
CH4	0.090965	0.108555	0.12012	0.12668	0.13357	0.137195	0.1922
СО	4.570485	2.899675	1.932655	1.535585	1.259015	1.069545	13.42159
CO2	15.90597	18.4688	19.56206	20.32495	21.14963	21.61823	23.57899
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.28358	0.301215	0.304055	0.308225	0.343585	0.318835	0.362707
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	1.10282	1.19119	1.20702	1.20885	1.24449	1.24938	0.9678
COS	0.01247	0	0	0	0	0	0.038237
1,2- Prop=	0.02766	0.0304	0.03185	0.03334	0.035115	0.035715	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Table B.42. 4: Gas Concentrations, Experiment #42

Reaction Time (min)	0	18.5	38.5	58.5	88.5	118.5
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.008969	0.009051	0.008843	0.008681	0.008702	0.008533
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001477	0.001445	0.001286	0.001235	0.001227	0.001144
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000222	0.000142	9.25E-05	7.21E-05	5.93E-05	4.94E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.000772	0.000905	0.000936	0.000955	0.000996	0.000998

Experimental Conditions for #43:  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ , 30 psig  $H_2S$ , 570 psig  $H_2$ , 4.0°C/min, 340 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml  $H_2O$ , 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)
Purge		16.6337	19.1875	2.5538
-	0	16.354	18.3799	2.0259
2		16.4686	16.5278	0.0592
2B	19.5	16.555	18.6212	2.0662
- ω -		16.6488	16.9613	0.3125
3B	39.5	16.5529	18.2446	1.6917
4		16.4303	16.6212	0.1909
4B	59.5	16.5307	18.3879	1.8572
<u>v</u>		16.6404	17.0498	0.4094
5B	91.75	16.5386	18.4002	1.8616
ο Ο		16.4802	16.8281	0.3479
B	120.5	16.3986	18.1638	1.7652

Table B.43. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #43

Table B.43. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #43

Reaction Time (min)	0	19.5	39.5	59.5	91.75	120.5	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000889	0.000652	0.000588	0.000631	0.000509	0.000481	0.000408
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000363	0.000398	0.00048	0.000597	0.000611	0.000656	0.000606
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	3.13E-07	3.86E-07	6.99E-07	1.04E-06	1.52E-06	1.74E-06	2.07E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	4.58E-07	6.27E-07	9.64E-07	1.87E-06	2.68E-06	2.89E-06	5.45E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.000743	0.000708	0.000625	0.000507	0.000491	0.000446	0.000493

Table B.43. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #43

Reaction Time (min)	0	19.5	39.5	59.5	91.75	120.5	Final
H2	37.19586	34.96836	33.69058	32.26195	31.0085	28.29482	86.49076
02	12.64063	13.02541	13.42623	13.71191	13.99717	14.4785	4.431887
N2 Total	47.70812	49.32101	50.83021	51.9535	53.03314	54.84159	15.94335
CH4	0.036715	0.044135	0.046905	0.051875	0.05461	0.05524	0.083483
СО	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CO2	0.118365	0.12135	0.104015	0.094395	0.09941	0.09915	0.21734
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
С2Н6	0.536905	0.550315	0.576675	0.590315	0.596585	0.578695	0.68433
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	2.514535	2.52207	2.72008	2.758405	2.793665	2.720505	1.79569
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Table B.43. 4: GC Analysis, Experiment #43

Reaction Time (min)	0	19.5	39.5	59.5	91.75	120.5
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.006607	0.0064	0.006264	0.006173	0.006064	0.005943
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001213	0.001105	0.001042	0.000983	0.000928	0.00083

Sample #	Purge		2	2B	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	38	4	4B		SB	9	68
Reaction Time (min)		0		19.75		39.75		60.25		90.75		119.75
Mass of Empty Vial	16.529	16.468	16.708	16.645	16.41	16.55	16.475	16.538	16.43	16.58	16.5	16.283
Mass of sample + vial (g)	18.946	18.44	17.923	18.846	17.81	18.59	17.889	18.678	17.784	18.75	17.742	18.469
mass of liquid sample (g)	2.4166	1.972	1.2155	2.2006	1.401	2.038	1.4146	2.1398	1.3537	2.1698	1.2415	2.1855

Table B.44. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #44

Experimental Conditions for #44: (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>)

Table B.44. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #44

Reaction Time (min)	0	19.75	39.75	60.25	90.75	119.75	Finl
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.001104	0.000987	0.000835	0.000769	0.00062	0.000541	0.00046
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000165	0.000293	0.000421	0.00055	0.000597	0.000644	0.000591
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.45E-07	2.65E-07	4.1E-07	6.87E-07	9.4E-07	1.37E-06	1.9E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.65E-07	2.89E-07	3.86E-07	1.31E-06	1.83E-06	3.35E-06	4.22E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.001055	0.000928	0.000799	0.000669	0.000621	0.000572	0.000623

Table B.44. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #44

Reaction							
(min)	0	19.75	39.75	60.25	90.75	119.75	Final
H2	24.55614	24.95199	22.97069	21.63969	20.16616	19.41919	26.91475
02	7.70268	7.608975	7.68682	7.95952	7.847865	7.858635	1.839587
N2 Total	29.30873	28.95363	29.24273	30.25946	29.84227	29.90182	7.442167
CH4	0.04017	0.0577	0.06751	0.07375	0.081245	0.08749	0.108013
СО	7.6025	3.793175	2.78921	2.45836	1.935335	1.427395	22.86631
CO2	24.64168	28.21592	30.33065	31.17014	32.71652	34.13665	35.98512
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.342103	0.42425	0.435105	0.442725	0.44659	0.450845	0.38858
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.61911	0.628265	0.657365	0.648205	0.65511	0.6643	0.47999
COS	0.014594	0	0	0	0	0	0.06879
1,2- Prop=	0.02559	0.02704	0.028995	0.0291	0.0304	0.031185	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0.00912	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Table B.44. 4: GC Analysis, Experiment #44

Reaction Time (min)	0	19.75	39.75	60.25	90.75	119.75
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.010448	0.010654	0.010652	0.01045	0.01045	0.010389
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001301	0.001348	0.001241	0.001147	0.001069	0.001023
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000403	0.000205	0.000151	0.00013	0.000103	7.52E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001306	0.001524	0.001638	0.001652	0.001734	0.001798

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Experimental Conditions for \#45: CO/H_2O/H_2S, 15 \mbox{ psig } H_2S, 585 \mbox{ psig } CO, 4.0^{\circ}\mbox{C/min}, 380 \mbox{ }^{\circ}\mbox{C}, 2 \mbox{ hrs}, 10 \mbox{ ml } H_2O, 100 \mbox{ ml toluene}, 10.0 \mbox{ g NAPH}, 1.50 \mbox{ mmoles } Mo; 0.91 \mbox{ mmoles } NiSO_4; 0.91 \mbox{ mmoles } VO(acac)_2, 1500 \mbox{ RPM Impeller Speed} \end{array}$ 

mass o liquid sample (g)	Mass o sample + vial (g)	Mass o Empty Via (g)	Reaction Time (min)	Sample #
2.8015	19.2375	16.436		Purge
2.1833	18.764	16.5807	0	-
1.3643	17.8872	16.5229		2
2.273	18.6968	16.4238	17	2B
1.4132	17.9899	16.5767		ω
2.3202	18.776	16.4558	39.83	3B
1.3711	17.7162	16.3451		4
2.2775	18.7457	16.4682	56.82	4B
1.3589	17.9216	16.5627		5
2.3629	18.7729	16.41	93.33	5B
1.3176	17.8683	16.5507		σ
2.1669	18.6055	16.4386	118.83	B
Table B.45. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #45

Reaction Time (min)	0	17	39.83333	56.83333	93.33333	118.8333	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000794	0.000769	0.00066	0.000642	0.000526	0.000519	0.000509
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.00037	0.000483	0.000511	0.000556	0.000491	0.000493	0.000505
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.18E-06	4.58E-07	7.96E-07	9.38E-07	8.92E-07	1.04E-06	1.16E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	4.58E-07	1.64E-06	4.51E-06	3.83E-06	1.76E-06	5.3E-06	3.42E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.000762	0.000649	0.000618	0.000574	0.00064	0.000634	0.000624

#### Table B.45. 3: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #45

Reaction Time (min)	0	17	39.83333	56.83333	93.33333	118.8333	Final
H2	20.97208	20.37966	19.39538	18.95201	19.00868	19.1786	28.49905
O2	7.77083	7.68931	7.647315	7.694315	7.66471	7.826	1.868017
N2 Total	29.56156	29.22416	29.10385	29.25007	29.17263	29.77557	7.54385
CH4	0.10595	0.11798	0.13317	0.14077	0.160265	0.174705	0.20561
СО	4.09915	3.26741	2.672905	2.579445	2.092825	1.775025	21.75899
CO2	30.08463	32.37321	33.48159	33.8517	34.68679	34.60573	34.92959
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
С2Н6	0.43864	0.448635	0.456125	0.450355	0.45395	0.46489	0.419133
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.75244	0.776745	0.784715	0.77348	0.775635	0.75223	0.463173
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06589
1,2-Prop=	0.026835	0.027895	0.02934	0.1641	0.03097	0.030445	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Table B.45. 4: GC Analysis, Experiment #45

Reaction Time (min)	0	17	39.83333	56.83333	93.33333	118.8333
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.010423	0.010571	0.010581	0.010795	0.010833	0.010855
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001001	0.000987	0.00094	0.000937	0.000943	0.000954
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000196	0.000158	0.00013	0.000128	0.000104	8.82E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001436	0.001567	0.001623	0.001674	0.001721	0.001721

Experimental Conditions for #46: (CO//H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 22.5 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 577.5 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 360 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>)

See Sample Data at beginning of Appendix B.

Experiment	al Conditions for #47:	(CO/H <sub>2</sub> O/H <sub>2</sub> S, 30 psig	g H <sub>2</sub> S, 570 psig CO, 4	.0°C/min, 340 °C, 2 hr	s, 10 ml H <sub>2</sub> O, 100 ml t	oluene, 10.0
g NAPH, 1.	50 mmole Mo; 0.91 m	moles NiSO4; 0.91 mn	noles VO(acac)2)			
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Table B	.47. 1: N	lass of Sa	mples, E	xperimer	ıt #47							
Sample #	Purge	1	2	2B	3	3B	4	4B	5	5B	6	68
Reaction Time (min)		0		21		48.5		69.5		90		119.5
Mass of Empty Via (g)	16.4305	16.5241	16.4042	16.412	16.3845	16.4205	16.456	16.4998	16.4625	16.4976	16.3926	16.3325
Mass of sample + vial (g)	18.4762	18.7061	17.6564	18.6258	17.5985	18.6609	17.6899	18.7246	17.1568	18.8686	16.8323	18.5217
mass of liquid sample (g)	2.0457	2.182	1.2522	2.2138	1.214	2.2404	1.2339	2.2248	0.6943	2.371	0.4397	2.1892

Table B.47. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #47

Reaction Time (min)	0.00	21.00	48.50	69.50	90.00	119.50	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000983	0.000898	0.000763	0.000641	0.000593	0.000532	0.000438
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000168	0.000316	0.000466	0.000544	0.0006	0.000641	0.000578
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	7.23E-08	2.17E-07	4.82E-07	8.1E-07	1.01E-06	1.28E-06	1.23E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.69E-07	4.34E-07	1.83E-06	2.47E-06	3.35E-06	2.6E-06	4.95E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.001034	0.000885	0.000733	0.000654	0.000597	0.000557	0.000618

Table B.47. 3: Gas Concentrations, Experiment #47

Reaction Time (min)	0.00	21.00	48.50	69.50	90.00	119.50
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.010548	0.010907	0.010665	0.010551	0.010617	0.010682
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001192	0.001186	0.001038	0.000955	0.000983	0.000945
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000285	0.000154	8.62E-05	7.64E-05	7.01E-05	6.69E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001262	0.001444	0.001539	0.001556	0.001596	0.001609

Reaction Time (min)	0.00	21.00	48.50	69.50	90.00	119.50	Final
H2	24.66112	23.72059	21.23526	19.75472	20.2061	19.31401	26.55071
02	7.795025	7.807085	7.98117	8.08285	7.95938	8.03904	1.15954
N2 Total	29.71538	29.74176	30.37882	30.74604	30.32959	30.61311	4.94101
CH4	0.04187	0.062705	0.07802	0.08374	0.08974	0.09316	0.118203
СО	5.90118	3.09025	1.762865	1.579205	1.43988	1.366705	19.94448
CO2	26.0994	28.88692	31.48311	32.18875	32.80406	32.87307	39.11494
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.521085	0.535435	0.55446	0.586255	0.58215	0.575215	0.596153
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	1.29262	1.304835	1.34617	1.3627	1.387175	1.374345	1.201787
COS	0.024165	0.0135	0	0	0	0	0.096773
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0.01245	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.047603
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.47. 4: GC Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #47

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<u>ی</u> و	1	16.6 1	18.4	1.85
SB	92	16.5	18.7	2.22
<u>ب</u>		16.6	18	1.45
4B	09	16.3	18.7	2.36
4		16.3	17.2	86.0
3B	40	16.5	18.9	2.37
0		16.5	17.8	1.28
2B	21	16.5	18.9	2.33
5		16.4	17.5	60.1
	0	16.6	18.6	2.01
Purge		16.5	18.4	76.1
Sample #	Reaction Time (min)	Mass of Empty Vial (g)	Mass of sample + vial (g)	mass of liquid sample (g)

Experimental Conditions for #48: CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 30 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 570 psig CO, 4.0°C/min, 380 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.48. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #48

### Table B.48. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #48

Reaction Time (min)	0	21	40	60	92	120	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000722	0.00071	0.000672	0.000626	0.000604	0.000605	0.000521
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000379	0.000509	0.000553	0.000563	0.000555	0.000559	0.000492
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	4.1E-07	6.27E-07	7.96E-07	8.89E-07	1.08E-06	1.16E-06	1.25E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.19E-06	2.22E-06	2.96E-05	3.04E-06	5.18E-06	6.15E-06	5.06E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.000789	0.000659	0.000587	0.000604	0.00061	0.000604	

Table B.48. 3: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #48

Reaction Time (min)	0	21	40	60	92	120
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.010754	0.010825	0.010534	0.010935	0.011138	0.011262
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001109	0.001069	0.000998	0.001017	0.001044	0.001114
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000131	0.00011	0.000103	0.000109	0.000102	9.72E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001635	0.001767	0.001713	0.001833	0.001888	0.001929

Reaction Time							
(min)	0	21	40	60	92	120	Final
H2	20.73639	19.84033	19.04251	18.69025	18.84386	19.8843	28.63887
02	8.009215	7.653615	8.01756	7.87848	7.706835	7.5023	1.312263
N2 Total	30.44117	29.09496	30.47921	29.95817	29.30793	28.56137	5.508387
CH4	0.10551	0.12953	0.1378	0.14828	0.16053	0.17189	0.208317
СО	2.45469	2.04121	1.956625	1.99973	1.84854	1.734035	23.13514
CO2	30.56909	32.81299	32.69266	33.69511	34.0665	34.43641	38.77527
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.457315	0.4785	0.50793	0.524275	0.52058	0.525755	0.52097
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	1.425935	1.483755	1.482595	1.537355	1.522285	1.5279	1.28403
COS	0.01283	0	0	0	0	0	0.105883
1,2-Prop=	0	0.024485	0.024795	0.02635	0.026575	0.026885	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.047793
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.48. 4: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #48

Experimental Conditions for #49: H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO, 4.0°C/min, 380 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.49. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #49

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	90	120	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000732	0.000645	0.000631	0.000587	0.00058	0.000543	0.000498
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000386	0.000475	0.000538	0.000551	0.000546	0.000518	0.000477
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	2.65E-07	4.82E-07	6.99E-07	8.91E-07	1.21E-06	1.23E-06	1.13E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	5.79E-07	9.16E-07	1.9E-06	4.42E-06	4.68E-06	3.93E-06	2.5E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]- [DEC]	0.000716	0.000625	0.000561	0.000546	0.00055	0.00058	0.000622

Table B.49. 3: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #49

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	90	120
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.006383	0.006039	0.006066	0.006042	0.006139	0.00621
[H2] (mol/g- liq)	0.000857	0.000737	0.000708	0.000711	0.000746	0.000748

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	90	120	Final
H2	35.99163	32.6944	31.28645	31.51985	32.57246	32.26696	96.48417
02	13.29071	13.92122	14.01625	14.02568	13.97612	14.1713	4.048893
N2 Total	50.38837	52.8219	53.1115	53.18534	53.08027	53.7607	14.54227
CH4	0.06947	0.08245	0.086155	0.09304	0.108155	0.11443	0.155253
СО	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.124333
CO2	0.14795	0.127175	0.116685	0.11782	0.118045	0.119955	0.254547
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.68286	0.68284	0.67209	0.67152	0.72064	0.69172	0.824923
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.75418	0.7097	0.74463	0.73596	0.78988	0.784275	0.693017
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.09426
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.49. 4: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #49

Sample #	Purge	1	5	2B		3B	4	18	~ ~ ~	SB	6	ß
Reaction Time (min)		0		20.3		40	č	20		88.5		120
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.4	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.6	16	16.3	16.4	16.5	16.4
Mass of sample + vial (g)	19.3	18.7	18	18.8	18.1	18.6	18.4	61	17.8	18.5	7.71	18.8
mass of liquid sample (g)	2.97	2.13	1.57	2.28	1.61	2.15	1.78	2.3	1.44	2.08	1.14	2.38

Experimental Conditions for #50:  $CO//H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ , 22.5 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 577.5 psig (1:1 = CO:H<sub>2</sub>), 4.0°C/min, 360 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

Table B.50. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #50

#### Table B.50. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #50

Reaction Time (min)	0	20.25	40	60	88.5	120	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000982	0.000973	0.000811	0.000693	0.000678	0.000598	0.000518
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.00019	0.000339	0.000409	0.000468	0.00056	0.000576	0.000531
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	7.23E-08	2.17E-07	2.89E-07	3.81E-07	6.99E-07	8.44E-07	1.04E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	4.1E-07	4.82E-07	1.16E-06	1.16E-06	2.41E-06	2.53E-06	3.81E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.001004	0.000855	0.000784	0.000725	0.000632	0.000615	0.000659

#### Table B.50. 3: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #50

Reaction Time (min)	0	20.25	40	60	88.5	120
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.009067	0.009006	0.008796	0.00855	0.008593	0.008671
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001318	0.001258	0.001153	0.001107	0.001077	0.001043
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.00018	8.86E-05	5.97E-05	5.38E-05	4.95E-05	4.26E-05
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.000651	0.00076	0.00077	0.000751	0.000809	0.000819

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(min) (min)	0	20.25	40	60	88.5	120	Final
H2	30.95419	29.74025	27.9247	27.56656	26.69075	25.61919	54.03875
02	9.24615	9.29424	9.570375	9.896875	9.897495	10.11839	2.429957
N2 Total	35.17241	35.36696	36.42826	37.68643	37.68156	38.55033	9.624237
CH4	0.07377	0.09519	0.103455	0.10745	0.11517	0.115395	0.175787
СО	4.2326	2.0958	1.44645	1.339895	1.22803	1.04628	10.15649
CO2	15.29531	17.96858	18.64791	18.71342	20.05393	20.11251	24.14483
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.772155	0.82781	0.82827	0.80734	0.84348	0.80531	0.843727
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.944675	1.00077	0.992445	0.99029	1.05757	1.02347	0.562327
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.025947
1,2-Prop=	0.030975	0.03387	0.034375	0.03404	0.03712	0.036415	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.50. 4: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #50

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Sample #	Purge	-	2	2B	ω ω	3B	4	4B	5	5B	6	8
Reaction Time (min)		0		20		40		60		89.5		120
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.51	16.49	16.48	16.39	16.47	16.47	16.5	16.59	16.45	14.69	16.5	14.71
Mass of sample + vial (g)	18.89	19.16	17.3	18.72	18.1	18.58	17.93	18.85	18.35	16.9	17.92	17.47
mass of liquid sample (g)	2.38	2.67	0.82	2.33	1.63	2.11	1.43	2.26	1.9	2.21	1.42	2.76

Experimental Conditions for #51:  $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$ , 30 psig  $H_2S$ , 570 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}C/min$ , 380 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml  $H_2O$ , 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 1.50 mmole Mo; 0.91 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.91 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>, 1500 RPM Impeller Speed

### Table B.51. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #51

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000687	0.000698	0.000628	0.000606	0.000603	0.000579	0.000555
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000403	0.000491	0.000513	0.000526	0.00052	0.00049	0.000468
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	4.58E-07	5.55E-07	7.72E-07	9.66E-07	1.01E-06	9.89E-07	1.04E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.25E-06	2E-06	4.15E-06	3.99E-06	3.09E-06	4.24E-06	5.35E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.000713	0.000624	0.0006	0.000587	0.000594	0.000623	0.000643

#### Table B.51. 3: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #51

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.006323	0.006377	0.006229	0.006108	0.006324	0.006275
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.000795	0.000726	0.000742	0.000726	0.000767	0.000762

Reaction Time (min)	0	20	40	60	89.5	120	Final
H2	33.59182	30.38989	31.78611	31.71854	32.36662	32.40268	78.11558
02	13.46458	14.10937	14.00771	13.84023	13.76972	13.83507	6.251475
N2 Total	51.12759	53.51536	53.20115	52.61357	52.38145	52.5511	23.08126
CH4	0.08001	0.094425	0.10649	0.120645	0.132545	0.134835	0.153595
СО	0.026275	0.058215	0	0	0	0	0.071915
CO2	0.12644	0.12937	0.101935	0.108165	0.114555	0.100385	0.202525
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.737945	0.745405	0.73377	0.816315	0.80465	0.73339	0.735905
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	2.150445	2.190295	2.17084	2.384125	2.32488	2.122935	1.236335
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C5	0.0118	0.01282	0.01274	0.014985	0.01375	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.51. 4: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #51

Sample #	Purge	I	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	28		3B	4	48	c,	2B	9	8
Reaction Time (min)		0		18.5		41.5		58.3		88		611
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.7	14.7	14.8	14.8	14.8	15	14.7	14.8
Mass of sample + vial (g)	16.8	16.6	15.7	17.4	15.5	16.5	16.4	16.3	15.7	17	16.1	17.2
mass of liquid sample (g)	1.97	1.88	660	2.62	87.0	1.75	1.67	1.55	0.95	2.2	1.42	2.41

Table B.52. 1: Mass of Samples, Experiment #52

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Experimental Conditions for \#52: $H_2/H_2O/H_2S$, 15 psig $H_2S$, 585 psig $CO$, 4.0°C/min, 340 °C$, 2 hrs, 10 ml $H_2O$, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g $NAPH$, 1.50 mmole $Mo; 0.91 mmoles $NiSO_4$; 0.91 mmoles $VO(acac)_2$, 1500 RPM Impeller $Speed $ISO_4$, 150 mmole $ISO_4$, 150 mmoles $VO(acac)_2$, 1500 RPM Impeller $Speed $ISO_4$, 150 mmole $I$ 

### Table B.52. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #52

Reaction Time (min)	0	18.5	41.5	58.25	87.5	118.5	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000911	0.000909	0.000799	0.00071	0.00059	0.000525	0.000438
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000169	0.000284	0.000392	0.000476	0.000532	0.000609	0.000553
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	7.23E-08	1.45E-07	2.89E-07	4.57E-07	6.75E-07	1.08E-06	1.21E-06
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	4.82E-07	3.13E-07	5.06E-07	8.84E-07	1.64E-06	2.65E-06	4.29E-06
$[NPT] = [NPT]_0 - [TET] - [DEC]$	0.000969	0.000854	0.000746	0.000662	0.000605	0.000526	0.00058

Table B.52. 3: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #52

Reaction Time (min)	0	18.5	41.5	58.25	87.5	118.5
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.007077	0.006977	0.006706	0.006482	0.006342	0.006166
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001526	0.001502	0.001357	0.001226	0.001188	0.001021

Reaction Time (min)	0	18.5	41.5	58.25	87.5	118.5	Final
Average ESTD mol%							
H2	40.53782	40.47078	38.03331	35.54247	35.20238	31.1358	95.01445
O2	12.46799	12.67503	13.22419	13.71282	13.81342	14.66773	4.092273
N2 Total	47.97388	47.92148	50.0705	52.0214	52.40861	55.57235	14.55314
CH4	0.02382	0.031105	0.032975	0.034995	0.037555	0.038455	0.061973
СО	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CO2	0.071655	0.07185	0.07345	0.084065	0.083245	0.082015	0.133767
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.431495	0.459945	0.473995	0.49671	0.50102	0.47653	0.544067
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.86574	0.87309	0.90872	0.929235	0.91855	0.82295	0.81755
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C5	0.01261	0.01317	0.01265	0.01293	0.082205	0.006385	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.52. 4: Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #52

Table B	.53. 1: N	Aass of S	amples, I	Experime	nt #53							
Sample #	Purge	-	2	2B	3	3B	4	4B	5	5B	6	B
Reaction Time (min)		0		19		40		60		90		120
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	14.79	14.77	14.82	14.77	14.82	14.82	14.81	14.75	14.73	14.83	14.75	14.85
Mass of sample + vial(g) ]	17.12	16.82	16.17	17.03	16.36	17.08	16.26	17.11	16.07	17.38	16.25	17.19
mass of liquid sample (g)	2.33	2.05	1.35	2.26	1.54	2.26	1.45	2.36	1.34	2.55	1.5	2.34

Experimental Conditions for #53: (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 15 psig H<sub>2</sub>S, 585 psig CO,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 340 °C, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10.0 g NAPH, 0.50 mmole Mo; 0.30 mmoles NiSO<sub>4</sub>; 0.30 mmoles VO(acac)<sub>2</sub>).

Table B.53. 2: GC Analysis, Experiment #53

Reaction Time (min)	0	19	40	60	90	120	Final
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000994	0.00095	0.000909	0.000791	0.000828	0.000682	0.000588
[TET] (mol/g- liq)	5.91E-05	0.000122	0.000204	0.000278	0.000408	0.00047	0.000468
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	7.23E-08	1.45E-07	2.17E-07	3.31E-07	6.51E-07	6.51E-07	8.2E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.45E-07	3.13E-07	5.3E-07	4.35E-07	9.64E-07	1.16E-06	1.74E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.001035	0.000971	0.000889	0.000815	0.000685	0.000622	0.000623

Table B.53. 3: Calculated Gas Concentrations, Experiment #53

Reaction Time (min)	0	19	40	60	90	120
Total calculated moles of gas in sampling bomb (moles)	0.009723	0.009572	0.009672	0.009413	0.010272	0.010662
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001089	0.001059	0.001097	0.001036	0.001033	0.00114
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000548	0.00049	0.000316	0.000209	0.000179	0.000151
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.00117	0.001045	0.00123	0.001263	0.001474	0.001575

Reaction Time (min)	0	19	40	60	90	120	Final
H2	22.95839	24.99921	25.62321	24.87843	22.7191	24.15569	32.80646
02	8.268335	8.051985	8.06744	8.19417	8.39063	7.471135	2.282328
N2 Total	31.40914	30.60035	30.68761	31.19481	31.92314	28.49489	9.073648
CH4	0.01928	0.03254	0.0435	0.05066	0.05559	0.066715	0.087865
СО	11.56454	7.391855	5.026945	3.94286	3.207855	2.97844	15.38865
CO2	24.673	28.7361	30.32287	32.42398	33.38339	36.90719	44.59749
C2H4	0.058735	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.92627	0.98159	0.980915	1.03945	1.008675	1.072865	1.138975
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	0.752835	0.771125	0.758175	0.795085	0.75038	0.79742	0.459505
COS	0.02803	0.017	0	0	0	0	0.050145
1,2-Prop=	0.0303	0.036965	0.03994	0.04357	0.042225	0.04573	0.03029
Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Propylene	0.03225	0.01664	0.009975	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table B.53. 4: GC Gas Analysis, ESTD mol%, Experiment #53

## Appendix C: Sample Calculations

Derivations and formulas are shown in detail in Section 3.5.

Table C. 1: Gas and Liquid Phase Compositions for Experiment #46 – Sample Calculations

Experiment #46							
Reaction Time (min)	0	20.25	39.75	62.75	104.75	119.75	Final
Average ESTD mol%							
H2	30.07429	27.84524	26.4261	25.43746	24.28098	24.16692	50.30766
02	9.83826	9.64063	9.91633	9.967585	10.15451	10.13501	2.42214
N2 Total	37.9341	37.05327	37.91671	38.1216	38.79734	38.73345	9.758667
CH4	0.07729	0.09033	0.099635	0.109334	0.116715	0.11857	0.162667
СО	3.43802	2.083535	1.46754	1.184365	0.90609	0.944935	13.54203
CO2	16.50438	18.61863	19.61847	20.6667	21.19443	21.43949	23.8155
C2H4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C2H6	0.15326	0.161515	0.164705	0.17026	0.16973	0.169715	0.165677
C2H2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H2S	1.349165	1.42875	1.428025	1.46343	1.473405	1.473365	0.993283
COS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06518
1,2-Prop=	0	0	0	0	0	0.012005	0
Water	0.40971	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i-C4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n-C8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total calculated moles of gas in							
sampling bomb (moles)	0.008718	0.008577	0.008463	0.008406	0.008421	0.008348	
[H2] (mol/g-liq)	0.001219	0.00111	0.001039	0.000994	0.00095	0.000938	
[CO] (mol/g-liq)	0.000139	8.31E-05	5.77E-05	4.63E-05	3.55E-05	3.67E-05	
[CO2] (mol/g-liq)	0.000669	0.000742	0.000772	0.000807	0.00083	0.000832	
[NPT] (mol/g-liq)	0.000917	0.000805	0.000759	0.000695	0.000626	0.000605	0.000479
[TET] (mol/g-liq)	0.000284	0.000379	0.000478	0.000563	0.000623	0.000644	0.000533
[c-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	1.69E-07	2.89E-07	4.82E-07	7.84E-07	1.08E-06	1.21E-06	9.89E-07
[t-DEC] (mol/g-liq)	3.13E-07	5.79E-07	8.92E-07	1.57E-06	1.88E-06	2.21E-06	3.18E-06
[NPT] = [NPT] <sub>0</sub> - [TET]-[DEC]	0.000916	0.00082	0.000721	0.000635	0.000575	0.000553	0.000664

Experiment #46												
Sample #	Purge	1	2	2B	3	3B	4	4B	5	5B	6	6B
Mass of Empty Vial (g)	16.42	16.59	16.49	16.39	16.37	16.51	16.45	16.49	16.49	16.45	16.58	16.40
Mass of sample + vial (g)	19.01	18.74	17.88	18.70	17.45	18.80	17.56	18.82	17.97	18.69	17.50	18.77
mass of 1st liquid sample	2.59	2.15	1.39	2.31	1.08	2.29	1.11	2.33	1.47	2.24	0.91	2.37
Cumulative Sample Mass Recovered (g)	2.59	4.75	6.14	8.45	9.53	11.82	12.93	15.27	16.74	18.99	19.90	22.27
Cumulative Mass Remaining in Reactor (g)	93.70	91.55	90.16	87.85	86.76	84.47	83.36	81.03	79.55	77.31	76.39	74.02
mass of Liq. Prod. Recovered (g)	71.34											
Final Pressure (psig)	313											
Recovered Aqueous Phase (g)	4.61											

Table C. 2: Recovered Masses and Pressures during and after Experimental Run #46

## C. 1: Pseudo-first Order Rate Calculations

A plot of concentration (naphthalene concentration, CO mol%) versus time was conducted using Microsoft Excel spreadsheet software. The exponential function was fitted to the data using the Regression Analysis in Excel.

## C. 2: Calculation for gas concentration in liquid (Experiment #46)

The mols of initial CO was estimated using the Ideal Gas Law,

$$\begin{aligned} vol\% \ H_2 S &= \frac{22.5 \ psi}{614.7 \ psia} = 3.6\% \\ vol\% \ CO \ in \left[CO: H_2\right] &= 50\% \\ N_{co,0} &= \left\{ \frac{P_{co,0} V_g}{RT} \right\} \\ N_{co,0} &= \left\{ \frac{(0.963) x (0.50) x (41.8 \ atm) x (0.147 \ L)}{(0.082061 \ atm - \ L/mol - \ K) x (300 \ K)} \right\} = 0.1202 \ mol - CO \\ \frac{N_{co,0}}{N_{H20,0}} &= \frac{0.1217 \ mol - CO}{\left(\frac{10.0 \ g}{18.02 \ g/mol - \ H_2O}\right)} = 0.216 \\ N_{H20,0}: N_{co,0} &= 4.6 \end{aligned}$$

Estimate for moles of gas in sampling volume,  $n_{gas,sample}$  (mol-gas):

$$m_{sample}$$
 =mass of collected sample liquid sample (g-liq) $P_{SB}$  =Pressure in the sampling bomb (psia) $V_{SB}$  =Volume of the sampling bomb (156 x 10^{-6} m^3)R =Molar Gas Constant (8.314 Pa-m<sup>3</sup>/mol-K)T =Sampling bomb temperature (K)Volt =Voltage reading of sample pressure transducer (Volts)

$$P_{SB} = \frac{(Volt - 1)(100\,psia - 0\,psia)}{(5Volt - 1Volt)} = 30$$

$$P_{SB,gauge} = P_{SB} - 14.7$$

$$P'_{SB} = P_{SB} \frac{(101325 \ Pa \ atm^{-1})}{(14.7 \ psi \ atm^{-1})}$$

$$N_{gas} = \frac{(P'_{SB}V_{SB})}{(RT)}$$

$$P_{SB} = \frac{(2.2 - 1)(100\,psia - 0\,psia)}{(5V - 1V)}$$

$$P_{SB,gauge} = 30 - 14.7 = 15.3 \text{ psig}$$

$$P'_{SB} = 15.3 \text{ psig } x \frac{(101325 \text{ Pa atm}^{-1})}{(14.7 \text{ psi atm}^{-1})} = 1.05461 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

$$(1.05461 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}) \times (156 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3)$$

$$N_{gas} = \frac{(1.05461x10^{\circ} Pa) x (156x10^{\circ} m^{\circ})}{(8.314 Pa - m^{3} / mol - K)x(300 K)} = 0.0066 mol$$

Gas Concentration (mol 
$$g - Liq^{-1}$$
) =  $\frac{N_{gas}}{m_{sample}}$ 

for sample at time 0 minutes (Experiment #46, sample #1)

$$[H_2] = \frac{(mol\% - H_2)x(total - moles - in - sample - bomb)}{(mass - of - liquid - sample)}$$
$$[H_2] = \frac{(30.07mol\% - H_2)x(8.72mmoles)}{2.15 - g} = 0.00122moles - H_2 / g$$

## C. 3: Naphthalene Conversions (Experiment #46)

For naphthalene conversion at 120 minutes:

$$X(\%) = \frac{[NAPH]_0 - [NAPH]_t}{[NAPH]_0} = \frac{[0.00120 - 0.000605]mol/g - liq}{[0.00120]mol/g - liq} = 49.6\%$$

# C. 4: Calculation of Pseudo-second order rate constant for hydrogenation (Experiment #46):

 $k"_{\text{NAPH}}$  is simply approximated by dividing  $k_{\text{NAPH}}$  by the pseudo-steady state hydrogen concentration.

$$\overline{[H_2]} = \left[\frac{0.001219 + 0.00111 + 0.001039 + 0.000994 + 0.00095 + 0.000938}{6}\right] = 0.00104 \text{ mols} - H_2 / g - liq$$

$$k''_{\text{NAPH}} = \frac{k_{\text{NAPH}}}{[H_2]} = \frac{6.93 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}}{0.00104 \text{ mols} - H_2 / g - liq} = 0.0665 \text{ g} - liq / \text{ mols} - H_2 - s$$

### C. 5: Reversible WGS Rate Constant (Experiment #40)

$$K_{eq} = \exp\left\{-4.33 + \frac{4577.8}{T(K)}\right\}$$

$$Ln(A) = Ln\left\{\frac{[CO]_{0}^{2} - [CO]_{e}[CO]_{t}}{([CO]_{t} - [CO]_{e})[CO]_{0}}\right\}$$

where,

 $r_{NAPH} = k''_{NAPH} [H_2][NAPH]$ 

A plot of Ln A versus time should yield a straight line with slope m, where

$$m = k_i x \left[ \frac{[CO]_0 + [CO]_e}{[CO]_0 - [CO]_e} \right]$$

Table C. 3: Normalized mol% CO from Experiment #10 (600 psig, CO/H<sub>2</sub>O, 15 psi H<sub>2</sub>S, 4.1 °C/min, 340 °C for 4 hours, 18.1 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml toluene, 87.1 mmol Naph, 1500 rpm impeller speed, 1.16 mmole Mo)

Time (min)	0.00	20.00	40.00	60.00	90.00	120.00
Normalized mol% CO	9.47%	4.39%	3.17%	2.19%	1.92%	1.97%

$$K_{eq} = \exp\left\{-4.33 + \frac{4577.8}{(613K)}\right\} = \exp\{-4.33 + 7.467\} = \exp\{3.138\} = 23.05$$

## Calculation for Pure CO feed:

[CO] <sub>e</sub> [CO] <sub>0</sub> [CO] <sub>t</sub>	= = =	theoretical equilibrium normalized mol% CO normalized mol% CO at 0 minutes normalized mol% CO at t minutes
к	_	Fauilibrium constant for WGS
req	_	
N <sub>CO,i</sub>	=	Initial mols of CO loaded into reactor (mol)
Ni	=	mols of species j
N <sub>H2</sub> <sup>C</sup>	=	hydrogen consumed (mol); 2 mol required to form tetralin, 5 mol for decalin
Х	=	Conversion of CO
X <sub>eq</sub>	=	Equilibrium conversion of CO
1		$molH_2O$

w = initial molar ratio of H<sub>2</sub>O:CO, 
$$\frac{molT_2O}{molCO}$$

 $\chi_{CO}$  = normalized dry mol% CO from GC analysis

$$\chi_{CO} = \frac{N_{CO}}{N_T} = \frac{(1-X)N_{CO,0}}{(1+X)N_{CO,0} - N_{H2}^C}$$

where,

The calculation of  $K_{eq}$  is thus:

$$\begin{split} K_{eq} &= \frac{N_{CO2}N_{H2}}{N_{CO}N_{H2O}} \\ K_{eq} &= \frac{[N_{CO,i}X_{eq}][N_{CO,i}X_{eq} - N_{H2}^{C}]}{[N_{CO,i}(1 - X_{eq})][N_{CO,i}(w - X_{eq})]} \\ K_{eq} &= \frac{[N_{CO,i}X_{eq}]^2 - [N_{CO,i}X_{eq}N_{H2}^{C}]}{[N_{CO,i}^2(1 - X_{eq})(w - X_{eq})]} \end{split}$$

Sample Calculation for Experiment #40:

Initial Conditions when Loading Reactor:

P <sub>T</sub>	=	600 psig
P <sub>H2S</sub>	=	15 psi
V <sub>H2O</sub>	=	18 ml

V <sub>toluene</sub>	=	52 ml
mass <sub>NAPH</sub>	=	11.17 g
$V_{gas}$	=	187 ml
Temp	=	300 K

$$\begin{split} N_{CO,0} &= \frac{PV}{RT} = \frac{(0.975 \times 41.8 atm)(187 \times 10^{-3} L)}{(0.082061 atmL / molK)(300K)} = 0.310 moles \\ N_{H2O,0} &= \frac{18.0g}{18.02g / mole} = 1.00 moles \\ w &= \frac{1.00 \ mol - H_2 O}{0.310 \ mol - CO} = 3.2 \\ N_{H2}^C &= mass_{rxn} \{2[TET] + 5[c - DEC] + 5[t - DEC] \} \\ N_{H2}^C &= 39.954 \ g \ \{2^* 0.001445 \ (mol - NAPH / g) + 5^* 7.917^* 10^{-6} \ (mol - c - DEC / g) \\ &+ 5^* 1.229^* 10^{-5} \ (mol - t - DEC / g) \} \\ N_{H2}^C &= 0.1195 \ mol - H_2 \ consumed \\ K_{eq} &= 23.05 = \frac{[N_{CO,i} X_{eq}]^2 - [N_{CO,i} X_{eq} N_{H2}^C]}{[N_{CO,i}^2 (1 - X_{eq})(w - X_{eq})]} \end{split}$$

where the GOALSEEK function in Excel was used to solve for  $X_{\mbox{\scriptsize eq}}.$ 

$$\begin{split} X_{eq} &= 0.9877 = 98.7\% \\ \chi_{CO} &= \frac{(1-X)Ni}{(1+X)N_{CO,0} - N_{H2}^C} = \frac{(1-0.988)*(0.310\ mol - CO - initial)}{(1+0.988)*(0.310\ mol - CO - initial) - (0.1195\ mol - H_2 - consumed)} \\ \chi_{CO} &= 0.76\ mole\% \end{split}$$

$$Ln(A)_{50} = Ln \left\{ \frac{[CO]_0^2 - [CO]_e [CO]_{40}}{([CO]_{40} - [CO]_e) [CO]_0} \right\}$$
$$Ln(A)_{50} = Ln \left\{ \frac{[9.47]_0^2 - [0.78]_e [3.17]_{40}}{([3.17]_{40} - [0.78]_e) [9.47]_0} \right\}$$
$$Ln(A)_{50} = Ln \{4.22\} = 1.44$$



Figure C. 1: Plot of Ln(A) versus Reaction Time for Experiment #40 – Calculation of the reversible WGS Rate Constant

$$m = k_i x \left[ \frac{[CO]_0 + [CO]_e}{[CO]_0 - [CO]_e} \right]$$
  
$$\frac{0.0298 \min^{-1}}{60s / \min} = k_i x \left[ \frac{9.47 + 0.76}{9.47 - 0.76} \right]$$
  
$$\frac{4.97 x 10^{-4}}{1.24} = k_i = 4.02 x 10^{-4} s^{-1}$$

# C. 6: Calculation of Variance (Experiment #5, 5R1, 5R2 - (Isotope Labeling Experiments)

Experiment #	k <sub>NAPH</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	$\overline{k_{_{NAPH}}}$ $(10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	$\begin{array}{c} k_{\rm NAPH} \\ {\bf variance} \\ (10^{-10} \ {\rm s}^{-2}) \end{array}$	$k_{CO}$ (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	$\overline{k_{CO}}$ (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	k <sub>CO</sub> variance (10 <sup>-10</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
2	21.0	20.4	0.684			
2R1	19.8					
17	24.3	22.3	8.41			
28	20.2					
5	8.67	7.81	0.561	n/a	n/a	n/a
5R1	7.42			7.50		
5R2	7.33			n/a	n/a	n/a
7	8.55			11.3		
14	7.83			9.58	8.58	0.917
1	20.2			8.50		
1R1	5.33			7.67		

Table C. 4: Means and Variances for first-order rate constants for naphthalene hydrogenation and water-gas shift

$$s_{p}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(X_{i} - \overline{X})^{2}}{n - 1}$$

$$s_{p}^{2} = \frac{[(8.67 - 7.81)x10^{-5}]^{2} + [(7.42 - 7.81)x10^{-5}]^{2} + [(7.33 - 7.81)x10^{-5}]^{2}}{2}$$

$$s_{p}^{2} = 5.61x10^{-11}s^{-2}$$

## C. 7: Calculation of pooled variance for $k_{NAPH}$ (Table C.4)

The pooled variance was calculated from the variance for:

- Experiment #2 and #2R1
- o Experiment #17 and #28
- Experiment #5, #5R1 and #5R2

The equation for the pooled variance is shown below:

$$^{naph}s_{p}^{2} = \frac{\sum_{i}^{n} V_{i} s_{i}^{2}}{\sum_{i}^{n} V_{i}}$$

where,

 $\upsilon_i =$ 

Si

degrees of freedom of mean i

standard deviation of mean i =

$$s_p^{2} = \left[\frac{0.684 + 8.40 + 2(0.56)}{1 + 1 + 2}\right] * 10^{-10}$$

$$s_p^{2} = 2.55 * 10^{-10}$$
  
 $s_p^{2} = MS_e = 2.55 * 10^{-10}$ 

## C. 8: Calculation of Confidence Interval for $k_{CO}$ (Experiment #1, 1R1 and *14*)

$$CI = t_{df, \frac{1-\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{s^2}{n}}$$
n = # of measurements = 3  
s<sup>2</sup> = variance = 9.17\*10<sup>-11</sup>  
df = degrees of freedom = n-1 = 2  
\alpha = Confidence Level = 90 %

from t-tables, 
$$t_{2,0.05}$$
 = 2.92

$$CI = 2.92\sqrt{\frac{9.17x10^{-11}}{3}} = 1.614x10^{-5}$$

# C. 9: Sample Calculation for Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) for ternary VNiMo-sulfides

Table C. 5: (600 psig ,  $4.0^{\circ}$ C/min, 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10 g NAPH, 1.5 mmoles Mo, 0.91 mmole Ni, 0.91 mmole V, 1500 RPM Stir Speed)

Experiment Number	Temp	H <sub>2</sub> S Pressure (psi)	Gas Type (CO or H <sub>2</sub> )	Pseudo-First Order Naphthalene Rate Constant, k <sub>NAPH</sub> (10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Final [H2] (mol/g)
45	380	15	СО	13.03	0.00095
44	340	15	СО	10.1	0.00102
48	380	30	СО	12.2	0.00111
47	340	30	СО	8.93	0.00095
49	380	15	$H_2$	10.1	0.00075
52	340	15	$H_2$	8.5	0.00102
51	380	30	$H_2$	14.27	0.00076
43	340	30	H <sub>2</sub>	7.5	0.00083
46	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	6.93	0.00094
50	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	7.1	0.00104
42	360	22.5	CO/H <sub>2</sub>	7.26	0.00114
53	340	15	СО	6.43	0.00114

The example is for the main temperature effect on  $k_{\text{NAPH}}$ :

$$Effect = \left[\frac{13.03 + 12.2 + 10.1 + 14.27}{4}\right]x10^{-5} - \left[\frac{10.1 + 8.93 + 8.50 + 7.50}{4}\right]x10^{-5}$$

$$Effect = 3.6425x10^{-5}s^{-1}$$

$$Sum \ of \ Squares = 2^{f-2} (Effect)^2 = 2^{3-1}(3.6425x10^{-5})^2$$

$$Sum \ of \ Squares = 2.65x10^{-9}$$

$$Mean \ Squares (MS) = \frac{SS}{df} = \frac{2.65x10^{-9}}{1} = 2.65x10^{-9}$$

where df = 1 (there are two levels of temperature (380 and 340  $^{\circ}$ C))

$$Mean Square Error (MSE) = s_p^{2}$$

where  $s_p^{\ 2}$  is the variance of the centre-point replicates.

$$F_{experiment} = \frac{MS}{MSE} = \frac{2.65 \times 10^{-9}}{2.72 \times 10^{-12}} = 974.38$$
$$F_{critical} = F_{1,2,0.05} = 18.51$$
$$F_{experiment} > F_{1,2,0.05}$$

therefore we can consider this effect significant.

## C. 10: Calculation of Hydrogenation Equilibrium Constant

from (Frye and Weitkamp 1969, 372);

$$K_{P} = \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}} * (P_{H2} + 0.00033 P_{H2}^{2})^{2}$$
$$X_{eq} = 1 - [1 + \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}}]^{-1}$$

$$P_{H2} = hydrogen \quad pressure \quad (atm)$$

$$P_{H2} = \frac{[H_2 \ mol \ / \ g] * mass_{rxn} (g) * RT}{V_{reactor}}$$
Sample Calculation Experiment #52 (H<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 340

$$Log \quad K_{P} = \frac{6460}{(613.15K)} - 12.4 = -1.86$$
$$K_{P} = 0.01367$$

$$\begin{split} P_{H2} &= hydrogen \ pressure \ (atm) \\ P_{H2} &= \frac{[H_2 \ mol \ / \ g]^* \ mass_{rxn} \ (g)^* \ RT}{V_{reactor}} \\ P_{H2} &= \frac{[0.001021 \ mol \ - \ H_2 \ / \ g]^* (73.41 g)^* (0.082067 \ L \ - \ atm \ / \ K)^* (613.15 K)}{(0.257 \ L)} \\ K_P^* (P_{H2} + 0.00033 \ P_{H2}^2)^2 &= \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}} \\ (0.01367)^* (16.38 \ atm \ + 0.00033 ((16.38 \ atm)^2)^2 \ = \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}} \\ \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}} &= 3.71 \\ \frac{N_{eq}}{N_{eq}} = 1 - [1 + \frac{N_{TET}}{N_{NAPH}}]^{-1} \\ X_{eq} &= 1 - [1 + 3.71]^{-1} = 0.788 \end{split}$$

# C. 11: Sample Calculation for Experiment #19, Sample #1 (1.23 minutes reaction time)

$$\begin{bmatrix} NAPH \end{bmatrix}_{NMR,t} = [NAPH]_{GC,t} x \begin{bmatrix} (mass - of - GC - sample) \\ mass - of - NMR - sample \end{bmatrix} = [0.0114g/g - liq] x \begin{bmatrix} (3.1968 - 2.4903)g \\ (2.9198 - 2.4903)g \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} NAPH \end{bmatrix}_{NMR,t} = 0.011361g/g - liq$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} mol - NAPH \\ mol - n - Oc \tan e \end{bmatrix}_{total} = \frac{\begin{cases} [NAPH]_{NMR,t} - [TET]_{NMR,t} - [c - DEC]_{NMR,t} - [t - DEC]_{NMR,t} - [Ace M_{n-Oc} \tan e M_{n-Oc} = 0.00804 M_{n-Oc} \tan e M_{n-Oc} \tan$$

[NAPH] <sub>NMR,t</sub> GC-FID at	=	Concentration of Naphthalene in the NMR sample measured by
		reaction time t
[TET] <sub>NMR,t</sub> at	=	Concentration of Tetralin in the NMR sample measured by GC-FID
		reaction time t
[c-DEC] <sub>NMR,t</sub> FID at	=	Concentration of c-Decalin in the NMR sample measured by GC-
		reaction time t
[t-DEC] <sub>NMR,t</sub> FID at	=	Concentration of t-Decalin in the NMR sample measured by GC-
		reaction time t
[Acetone] <sub>NMR</sub>	,t=	Concentration of in the NMR sample measured by GC-FID at

		reaction time t
Subscript t	=	Reaction time sample was collected, t (min)
NMR	=	Sample from NMR tube

# C. 12: Sample Calculation of Hydrogenation Index (HI) and Exchange Index (EI)

mass <sub>rx1</sub>	n=	mass of liquid in reactor (g)
n <sub>H</sub>	=	total moles of hydrogen including D in all products (NAPH and TET)
$n_{1H}^{\circ}$	=	moles of hydrogen in starting naphthalene
$n_{2H}$	=	total moles of deuterium in products by hydrogenation and exchange
H E	=	net amount of hydrogen added to form tetralin, $n_H - n_{1H}^{\circ}$ amount of deuterium incorporated by exchange, $n_{2H} - H$

$$\begin{split} n_{H} &= \{8*[NAPH] + 12*[TET]\}*mass_{rxn} \\ n_{1H} \circ &= \frac{8*mass_{NAPH,i}}{MW_{NAPH}} \\ n_{2H} &= mass_{rxn} *\{\{(1-[\%^{1}H - NAPH - A]) + (1-[\%^{1}H - NAPH - B])\}*4*[NAPH] \\ &+ \{(1-[\%^{1}H - TET - AROM]) + (1-[\%^{1}H - TET - SAT]*2\}*4*[TET]\} \end{split}$$

$$HI = \frac{H}{H+E}$$
$$EI = \frac{E}{H+E}$$

### Sample Calculation for HI and EI for Experiment CL5R1 (CO/D $_2$ O/H $_2$ S) at 39.3 minutes:

 $[\%^{1}H - NAPH - A] = 22.95\%$  $[\%^{1}H - NAPH - B]) = 33.51\%$  $[\%^{1}H - TET - AROM] = 13.85\%$  $[\%^{1}H - TET - SAT] = 34.61\%$ 

$$\begin{split} n_{H} &= \{8*[3.868*10^{-4} \ mol - NAPH \ / \ g] + 12*[5.85*10^{-5} \ mol - TET \ / \ g]\}*(70.54g) \\ n_{1H} \,^{\circ} &= \frac{8*(3.7 \ g - NAPH}{128.17 \ g - NAPH \ / mol} \\ n_{2H} &= (70.54g)*\{\{(1 - [0.2295]) + (1 - [0.3351])\}*4*[3.868*10^{-4} \ mol - NAPH \ / \ g] \\ &\quad + \{(1 - [0.1385]) + (1 - [0.3461]*2\}*4*[5.85*10^{-5} \ mol - TET \ / \ g]\} \\ H &= 0.0369 \\ E &= 0.156 \\ HI &= \frac{0.0369}{0.156 + 0.0369} = 0.191 \\ EI &= \frac{0.156}{0.0369 + 0.156} = 0.808 \end{split}$$

#### C. 13: Overall Liquid Mass Balance (Experiment #46)

Assume that naphthalene when dissolved in toluene has a negligible contribution to the volume.

Experiment #46:

m <sub>catalyst</sub>	=	m <sub>PMA</sub> +	- m <sub>NiSO4</sub>	$+ m_{VO(acac)2}$
Initial mass charged, mo	=	$m_{H2O} +$	m <sub>NAPH</sub>	+ $m_{toluene} + m_{catalyst}$
Total Mass of Liquid and S	Solids char	rged	=	107.30 g
Liquid Recovered at End o	f Reaction	ı	=	71.34 g
Cumulative Mass of all san	nples colle	ected	=	22.74 g

$$m_{0} = 10.0g + 10.0g + 86.6g + \left\{ \left( \frac{0.1449g - Mo}{0.65g - Mo / g - PMA} \right) + 0.241g - VO(acac)_{2} + 0.240g - NiSO_{4} * 6H_{2}O \right\}$$

 $m_0 = 107.30 \ g$ 

Theoretical mass at end of reaction = (107.30 - 22.74)g = 84.56 gActual mass at end of reaction = 71.34 g

 $\frac{Actual Mass re \operatorname{cov} ered}{Mass Initially Ch} = \frac{(71.34 + 22.74)g}{107.30g} = 87.6\%$ 

## C. 14: Consumption of water calculated from CO conversion and $CO_2$ yield (Experiment #46)

 $CO_{(g)} + H_2O_{(g)} \longrightarrow CO_{2(g)} + H_{2(g)}$ 

Considering a mole balance over the WGS, for every mole of CO consumed 1 mole of water is consumed and 1 mole of  $CO_2$  is produced. Therefore we can calculate the consumption of water indirectly by calculating the moles of CO consumed and  $CO_2$  produced.

Initial Pressure (psig	g) =	600 = 41.8  atm		
P <sub>H2S</sub> (psi)		22.5		
Volume (ml)				
o Toluene	=	100		
o Water	=	10		
Mass of Naph (g)	=	10		
$V_{g,0}(ml)$	=	257 - (100+10)	=	147
$V_{l,0}$ (ml)	=	100 + 10	=	110

To calculate a normalized mol%, we must subtract the contribution from  $N_2$  and  $O_2$  which represent air that has entered the sampling system. Note: the data in the table is calculated from external calibration gases, one for Refinery gas (Agilent) and one for sulfur gases (Praxair); therefore the total mol% is not exactly 100%.

Total moles excluding air = 101.2328 - (2.42 + 9.75) = 89.06 mol%Normalized mol%

$$\circ mol\% CO = \frac{13.54}{89.06} = 15.2 mol\% CO$$
  
$$\circ mol\% CO_2 = \frac{23.82}{89.06} = 26.7 mol\% CO$$

 $P_{CO,0} = 41.8atm x 0.50 x 0.963 = 20.135atm$ 

from the Ideal Gas Law,

$$\begin{split} N_{CO,0} &= \left\{ \frac{20.135atm\,x\,0.147L}{(0.082061atm-L/mol-K)x(300K)} \right\} = 0.1202mol \\ V_{l,final} &= V_{toluene,final} + V_{H2O,final} = \frac{(71.34-4.61)g}{0.866g/ml} + 4.61ml = 81.67ml \\ V_{g,final} &= 257ml - 81.67ml = 175.3ml \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} N_{gas,final} &= \left\{ \frac{22.293 a tm \, x \, 0.1753 L}{(0.082061 a tm - L/mol - K) x (300K)} \right\} = 0.1587 mol \, total \\ N_{CO,final} &= 0.152 x (0.1587 \, mol) = 0.0241 mol - CO \end{split}$$

moles of CO converted,

$$\begin{split} N_{CO,converted} &= (0.1202 - 0.0241) mol - CO = 0.0961 mol - CO \\ N_{H2O,consumed} &= 0.0961 mol \, x 18.02 \, g \, / \, mol = 1.73 \, g - H_2 O \end{split}$$

#### C. 15: Calculation of Water from CO<sub>2</sub> measurement (Experiment #46)

$$\begin{split} N_{CO2,final} &= \left\{ \frac{22.293 atm \, x \, 0.1753 L}{(0.082061 atm - L/mol - K) x (300K)} \right\} = 0.1587 mol \, total \\ N_{CO2,final} &= 0.267 \, x (0.1587 \, mol) = 0.0424 mol - CO_2 \\ N_{CO2,produced} &= 0.0424 mol - CO_2 \\ N_{H20,consumed} &= 0.0424 mol \, x 18.02 \, g \, / \, mol = 0.765 \, g - H_2 O \end{split}$$

The discrepancy between the water balance calculated from CO and  $CO_2$  suggests that significant quantities of  $CO_2$  are absorbed in the liquid phase or to the catalyst surface.

#### Appendix D: Summary of Reaction Conditions

Experiment #	Gas	Molar Ratio	Reactor	H <sub>2</sub> S Pressure	Solvent	Catalyst	mmoles of
_	Composition		Temp (°C)	(psi)		Charge	metal
1	CO:H <sub>2</sub> :D <sub>2</sub> O	1:1:4.6	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
1R1	CO:H <sub>2</sub> :D <sub>2</sub> O	1:1:4.6	340	15	n-Octane	Мо	0.39
2	H <sub>2</sub> :D <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	n-Octane	Мо	0.39
2R1	H <sub>2</sub> :D <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
5	CO:D <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
5R1	$CO \cdot D_2 O$	1.2.3	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
5R2	$CO:D_2O$	1.2.3	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
6	CO:H <sub>2</sub> :D <sub>2</sub> O	1:1:4.6	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0
7	CO:H.O	1.1.4.0	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
10*	CO:H.O	1:2.5	340	15	toluene	Mo	1.16
10	CO:H.O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Mo	0
14	CO:H_:D_O	1.1.4.6	340	15	n Octane	Mo	0.30
14	CO:H_:H_O	1.1.4.0	340	15	n Octane	Mo	0.39
17	U.H.O	1.1.4.0	340	15	n Octane	Mo	0.39
17	<u>П2.П2</u> О	1.2.3	240	15	n Octane	Mo	0.39
19	$N_2:D_2O$	1:2.3	240	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
24	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.5	240	15	toluene	Mo	0.47
25		1:2.3	340	15	toluene	Mo	0.39
28	H <sub>2</sub> :H <sub>2</sub> U	1:2.5	340	15	n-Octane	Mo	0.39
29	N <sub>2</sub> :H <sub>2</sub> :H <sub>2</sub> U	1:1:4.0	340	15	n-Octane	MO	0.39
30	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	none	0
32	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	MO	0.47
33	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	Ru <sub>3</sub> (CO) <sub>12</sub>	0.47
34	$(H_2:H_2O)$	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	$Ru(acac)_3$	0.47
36*	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Mo:Ru	0.87:0.29
37*	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Mo:Fe	1.16:0.70
38*	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Mo:V	1.16:0.70
39*	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Mo:Ni	1.16:0.70
40*	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Мо	1.16
41*	CO:H <sub>2</sub> O	1:3.24	340	15	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.16 : 0.70:
							0.70
42**	CO/H <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O	1:1:4.6	360	22.5	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5:0.98
43**	H <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O	1.2.3	340	30	toluene	Mo·Ni·V	15:091:
15	112/1120	1.2.5	510	50	tolucile		0.91
44**	CO/H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5 : 0.91 :
							0.91
45**	CO/H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	380	15	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5 : 0.91 :
							0.91
46**	$CO/H_2/H_2O$	1:1:4.6	360	22.5	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5 : 0.91 :
							0.91
47**	CO/H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	30	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5:0.91:
19**	CO/H O	1.2.3	380	30	toluana	MorNirV	15:001:
40	00/1120	1.2.3	580	50	toluelle	WIO.INI. V	0.91
49**	$H_2/H_2O$	1:2.3	380	15	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5 : 0.91 :
							0.91
50**	CO/H <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O	1:1:4.6	360	22.5	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5:0.91:
							0.91
51**	$H_2/H_2O$	1:2.3	380	30	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5 : 0.91 :
							0.91
52**	$H_2/H_2O$	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	1.5 : 0.91 :
							0.91
53**	CO/H <sub>2</sub> O	1:2.3	340	15	toluene	Mo:Ni:V	0.5:0.3:0.3

Table D. 1: Summary of Experimental Conditions

(600 psig, 340 °C for 3 hours, 10 ml water, 100 ml solvent, 5.0 wt% NAPH (organic basis), 1500 rpm impeller speed)

\*(600 psig, 340 °C for 4 hours, 18.1 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 52 ml solvent, 11.17 g NAPH, 1500 rpm impeller speed) \*\*(600 psig, 340 °C for 2 hours, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml solvent, 10.0 g NAPH, 1500 rpm impeller speed)

Experiment #	$k_{\text{NAPH}} (10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$	$k_{CO} (10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1})$
1	20.2	8.48
1R1	5.26	7.81
2	21.0	
2R1	19.8	
5	9.25	
5R1	7.42	7.50
5R2	7.33	6.83
6	2.43	5.00
7	8.55	8.65
10	11.1	20.5
12	2.68	10.5
14	7.83	8.92
15	10.1	11.2
17	23.5	
19		
24	13.9	14.5
25	13.0	13.7
28	20.8	
29	8.81	
30	3.02	6.62
32	7.20	9.30
33		4.52
34	3.42	
36	5.40	14.73
37	6.83	22.5
38	6.08	30.3
39	21.0	16.1
40	18.8	40.2
41	13.7	21.9
42	7.26	18.67
43	7.51	
44	10.1	24.9 <sup>rev</sup>
45	13.03	12.2 <sup>rev</sup>
46	6.93	16.03
47	8.93	30.7 <sup>rev</sup>
48	12.2	4.95 <sup>rev</sup>
49	10.1	
50	7.1	15.84
51	14.27	
52	8.53	
53	6.43	19.0

Table D. 2: Summary of Experimental Results

#### Appendix E: Experimental and Operational Procedures

#### E. 1: HC 300 cc Liquid Sample Tube Filter Cleaning

Micron sized  $MoS_2$  particles will deposit and accumulate on the sintered 316 SS frit used to prevent solids from entering the liquid sampling lines. In addition,  $H_2S$  and the liquid aqueous phase PMA precursor can enter the sintered frit before sufficient temperatures are reached and actually sulfide the PMA precursor to form solid  $MoS_2$  *inside* the frit.

Molybdenum sulfide deposits can be removed from 316 SS and HC-276 surfaces by immersing the metal parts in a well-stirred, dilute solution of 15-30 vol%  $H_2O_2$ . **CAUTION!** Hydrogen peroxide can oxidize molybdenum sulfide to produce acids, sulfur oxides and hydrogen sulfide; this procedure must be performed in a fume hood! The parts are immersed for approximately 48 hours, then soaked in water for another 6-12 hours to rinse and decompose any residual  $H_2O_2$ .

#### E. 2: Liquid Sampling Procedure

Weigh and record the empty mass (to .01 g) of 12 sample vials with caps. This is necessary to record an accurate mass balance of species in the system.

#### Purging the Sample Dip Tube

- 1. Ensure valves **1**, **3**, **4**, **5**, **6**, **8**, **9** and **11** are closed.
- 2. Open valve **5** for approximately 10 s to evacuate the previous sample from the sampling volume.
- 3. Close valve **5** to isolate sampling volume in preparation to take liquid sample to purge the sampling system.
- 4. Ensure valves **3**, **4** and **5** are closed.
- 5. Take sample from reactor by opening valve 1 quickly and wait until reading on pressure display reaches a minimum. Close valve 1 quickly. Sample should now be isolated between valves 1 and 4 (Figure B1). CAUTION: Valves 1 and 4 should NEVER be opened simultaneously during reactor operation.
- 6. Ensure valves **9 and 11** are closed in preparation to depressurize sample. Check that sampling system pressure is at atmospheric or under vacuum on the DAQ system (< 1.6 Volts).
- 7. Open valve 4 to depressurize sample into sampling bomb. Wait for approximately 30 60 s for the sampling temperature and pressure to stabilize.
- 8. Close valve 7 and Open valve 6. Open valve 5 to depressurize and vent gas from sample. Collect the liquid sample by opening valve 9 and draining liquid into properly labeled vial. Open valve 7; Close valve 6 and valve 9.
- 9. Weigh the sample vial and record the mass.

#### Taking the Gas and Liquid Sample

#### 10. Ensure **1**, **3**, **6**, **9** and **11** are **Closed**.

- Evacuate sampling bomb by opening valve 5. In sequence, first open valve 9 for 5 s then close valve 9. Then Open valve 11 for approximately 20 30 seconds. This will flush any residual H<sub>2</sub>, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, etc. from the sampling bomb. Close valve 11 and check to ensure the pressure in the sampling bomb is below atmospheric. Only N<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> should remain in the sample bomb.
- 12. Close valves **5 and 4**. Ensure valves **3**, **11 and 9** are closed also.
- 13. Repeat steps 5 7 to collect a sample from the reactor.
- 14. Use the gas tight syringe with valve to collect a gas sample from the sampling bomb by inserting the syringe through the rubber septum above valve **11**. Flush and purge the syringe with sample approximately 3 5 times. **WARNING:** Pressure in the syringe before injecting into the Agilent MicroGC must be approximately 10 psi. If pressure in the syringe is very high (syringe piston is pushed up rapidly without human help) collect approximately 2 3 ml, close the syringe valve and then pull the syringe piston to expand the syringe sample thereby lowering the pressure.
- 15. Take syringe to the microGC in 1521B. Ensure the septum is installed on the GC sampling inlet.
- 16. Enter a new sample into the microGC worklist including all relevant details.
- 17. Insert syringe through septum into sample inlet line, open syringe valve, then start the worklist to begin sample analysis.
- 18. When you hear the vacuum pumps turn on, slowly inject sample into the microGC line by depressing the piston. Depending upon the syringe pressure, a sufficient rate will be approximately 1 ml / 10 s (you can gauge using the graduations on the syringe). Lower pressures will require a faster injection rate. Closely monitor the microGC status screen on the computer to ensure enough sample is introduced. Too little sample will be accompanied by a message that the pump flow rate is low. Too much sample will be indicated via a message that the column head pressures are high.
- 19. To ensure accurate analysis, collect another gas sample by repeating steps 13-18.
- 20. After injecting the second gas sample into the microGC, collect the liquid sample. Close valve **7** and Open valve **6**. Then open valve **5** to vent remaining gas and reduce the sampling bomb pressure.
- 21. Properly label a vial for the liquid sample, and collect sample into vial by opening valve **9**. Allow the lines to drain for several seconds. Close valve **6 and 9**; Open valve **7**.
- 22. Record mass of vial and sample.



Figure E. 1: Configuration after collection of high pressure reactor sample



Figure E. 2: Configuration of de-pressurized liquid sample ready for collection

#### Appendix F: Equipment Specifications and Diagrams

The Data Acquisition System (DAQ) is composed of,

- o a power supply (1.5 A, 120 VAC Input, 20 V Output)
- 2 data acquitision boards (USB-TC and USB-1208FS, Measurement and Computing)
- o 2 Pressure Transducers (reactor, sampling system = Omega PX209-30V85GI)
- o 2 Thermocouples (Omega K-type)
- o DAQ Computer that also operates the Agilent Micro-GC Cerity Software
- wiring with associated connectors

Thermocouples are connected to the USB-TC board which is turn is connected to the DAQ computer. The pressure transducers are connected to the USB-1208FS board and operate on a 4-20 mA signal; a 249 ohm resistor bridges the terminals on the USB-1208FS board to convert the 4-20 mA signal into a voltage from 1-5 V. The data is recorded and stored on the computer as a voltage versus time signal; temperature data is recorded directly as a temperature-time signal. The following connection diagrams are included to aid in troubleshooting of the DAQ system if problems arise.



Figure F. 1: Sampling Bomb Pressure DAQ Diagrams



Figure F. 2: Reactor Pressure DAQ Diagrams

Table F. 1: HC-276 300 ml Autoclave DAQ Connections

Description	Channel #	Board
Sample Bomb Temperature	C5	USB-TC
Reactor Temperature	C6	USB-TC
Sample Bomb Pressure	C0	USB-1208FS
Reactor Pressure	C1	USB-1208FS
Instrumentation		
Reactor Pressure Transducer	0-10 000 psig Range	4-20 mA output current
Sample Pressure Transducer	-14.7 – 85 psig Range	4-20 mA output current
Thermocouples	K-type	

#### Appendix G: Mass Transfer Coefficients

#### **Mass Transfer Limitations**

A simple experiment to determine the effect of impeller speed on gas absorption was performed. This involved charging the reactor to 600 psig and then sequentially increasing the stirring rate while measuring the decrease in pressure. This gives an ad-hoc measure of the gas dispersion effectiveness of the impeller.



Figure G. 1: Reactor Pressure versus Impeller Speed

Determination of the gas/liquid mass transfer resistance was calculated according published procedures (Fogler 1999). Detailed procedures on calculating mass transfer coefficients for batch reactors have been published elsewhere (Meille et al. 2004, 924-927; Pitaut et al. 2004, 31-42).

$$\frac{C_i}{R_a} = \frac{1}{k_b a_b} + \frac{1}{m} \left( \frac{1}{k_c a_p} + \frac{1}{k\eta} \right)$$

Concentration of gas (mol/g-Liq)  $C_i$ =*Overall rate*  $(min^{-1})$  $R_a$ =  $k_b a_b$ = gas absorption coefficient (min<sup>-1</sup>) mass transfer coefficient from liquid to particle surface  $k_c a_p$ = coefficient of reaction and diffusion within catalyst particle (ppmw Mo kη =  $min)^{-1}$ 

where,

$$\frac{C_i}{R_a} = r_b + \frac{1}{m} (r_r + r_c)$$

$r_b$	=	resistance to gas absorption (min)
$r_r$	=	resistance to diffusion within catalyst particle and reaction (ppmwMo-min)
$r_c$	=	resistance of gas transport from liquid bulk to catalyst surface (ppmw Mo-
min)		



Figure G. 2: Estimation of Gas/Liquid Mass Transfer Coefficient under VNiMo-sulfides, Experiment #44 and #53 (1500 RPM Impeller Speed)

From Figure G.2, the estimation of gas absorption resistance is much smaller than the combined resistance of intraparticle diffusion and surface reaction for both hydrogenation and water-gas shift over unsupported, dispersed VNiMo-sulfides.

Appendix H: Selected Examples of Pressure-Temperature Process Data



Figure H. 1: Pressure and Time Data for Experiment #53 (CO/H<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 2.5 vol% H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 4.0 °C/min, 340 °C for 2 hrs, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml toluene, 10 g NAPH, 0.5 mmoles Mo, 0.30 mmoles Ni, 0.30 mmoles V)



Figure H. 2: Pressure and Time Data for Experiment #1R1 (COH<sub>2</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>S, 2.5 vol% H<sub>2</sub>S, 600 psig, 4.0 °C/min, 340 °C for 3 hrs, 10 ml D<sub>2</sub>O, 100 ml n-octane, 3.7 g NAPH, 0.47 mmoles Mo)