

AIR-1 Notes

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Environmental Engineering
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Environmental Engineering

- ① Water Supply and Treatment → (a) source
 * (b) Quality Parameter } 40%
 * (c) Treatment
 (d) Distribution
- ② Sewage Treatment → (a) Sewage collection }
 * (b) Characteristics } 55%
 * (c) Treatment
 (d) Disposal.
- ③ Air Pollution }
 ④ Solid waste } 5%
 ⑤ Noise Pollution }

Ch-1 Water Supply & Treatment

Q- A scientific synthetic sample of water is prepared by adding 100 mg of kaolinite, 200 mg glucose, 168 mg of NaCl, 120 mg of $MgSO_4$ and 111 mg of $CaCl_2$ to 1-litre of pure water. Find the concentration of Total solids and Fixed Dissolved Solids in mg/L
 ↓
 Inorganic Dissolved solids.

$$\text{Total solids} = 100 + 200 + 168 + 120 + 111 = 699 \text{ mg/L}$$

Kaolinite → Inorganic SS

Glucose → Organic Dissolved

NaCl

$MgSO_4$

$CaCl_2$

} Inorganic Dissolved

$$\text{So, Fixed Dissolved Solids} = 168 + 120 + 111 = 399 \text{ mg/L}$$

→ Molecular weight

$$\rightarrow \text{CaCO}_3 = 100$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Ca}^{2+} = 40$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Al}^{3+} = 27$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Mg}^{2+} = 24$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O} = 666$$

$$\rightarrow \text{OH}^- = 17$$

$$\rightarrow \text{CO}_3^{2-} = 60$$

$$\rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- = 61$$

→ Equivalent wt

$$\rightarrow \text{CaCO}_3 = 100/2 = 50$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Ca}^{2+} = 40/2 = 20$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Mg}^{2+} = 24/2 = 12$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Al}^{3+} = 27/3 = 9$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O} = 666/6 = 111$$

$$\rightarrow \text{OH}^- = 17$$

$$\rightarrow \text{CO}_3^{2-} = 30$$

$$\rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- = 61$$

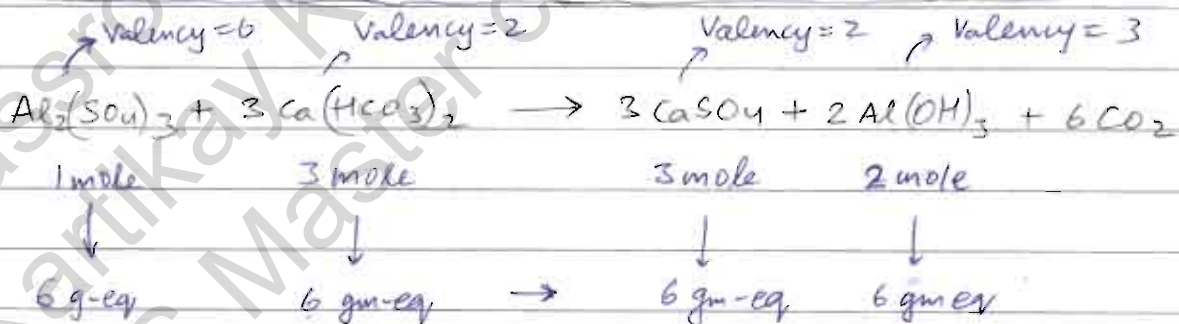
→ Moles = $\frac{\text{weight in gram}}{\text{Molecular weight}}$

→ Milli moles = $\frac{\text{weight in mg}}{\text{molecular weight}}$

→ No of gram equivalent = $\frac{\text{Weight in grams}}{\text{Equivalent weight}}$

→ Milli eq = $\frac{\text{weight in mg}}{\text{Equivalent wt.}}$

→ NO. of gram eq = No. of moles \times Valency.



1 gm-eq of Anything \equiv 1 gm-eq of any other thing

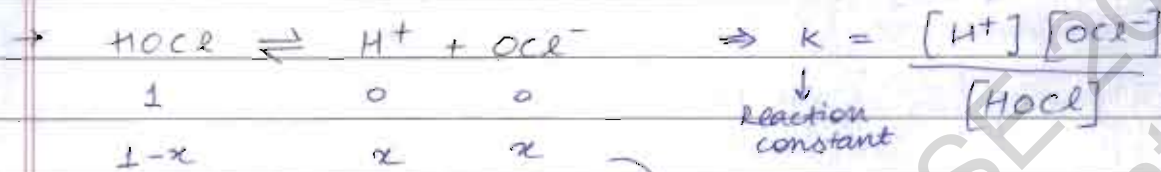
333 gm of $\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O} \equiv 150 \text{ gm of CaCO}_3$

→ Normality : $N = \text{No. of gm-eqs / litres}$

→ Molarity : $M = \text{No. of moles / litres}$

→ 1 mL of 0.02 N $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \equiv 1 \text{ mg of CaCO}_3$

⇒ Chemical Kinetics



$$\Rightarrow K = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{OCl}^-]}{[\text{HOCl}]}$$

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Reaction constant

depends on temperature

mol/Litre

$$\Rightarrow K = \frac{x^2}{1-x}$$

⇒ Alkalinity

Q. A water sample contains 100 mg/L of CO_3^{2-} and 75 mg/L of HCO_3^- at a pH of 10. Calculate alkalinity exactly at 25°C and approximate the alkalinity by ignoring $[\text{H}^+]$ and $[\text{OH}^-]$

$$\text{pH} = 10 \Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = 10^{-10} \text{ mol/Litre} \equiv 10^{-7} \text{ meq/L as CaCO}_3 \equiv 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pOH} = 4 \Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] &= 10^{-4} \text{ mol/Litre} \equiv 10^{-4} \text{ gm-eq/Litre} = 0.1 \text{ meq/Litre} \\ &\equiv 0.1 \text{ meq/L as CaCO}_3 \\ &\equiv 5 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, Exact Alkalinity} = \frac{100}{30} \times 50 + \frac{75}{61} \times 50 + 5 - 5 \times 10^{-6} \approx 233.142 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

$$\text{Approximate Alkalinity} = \frac{100}{30} \times 50 + \frac{75}{61} \times 50 + 5 = 233.142 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

$$\text{After neglecting } [\text{H}^+] \text{ and } [\text{OH}^-] = 228.142 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

Q. A 200 mL sample of water has initial pH = 10. 11 mL of 0.02 N H_2SO_4 is required to reduce the pH to 8.3, and 30 mL of 0.02 N H_2SO_4 is required to titrate the sample to pH of 4.5. Find out the total alkalinity of water in mg/L as $CaCO_3$ and also find the alkalinity species.

$$\rightarrow \text{pH} = 10 \Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-4} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{litre}} \equiv 5 \text{ mg/L as } CaCO_3 \quad \hookrightarrow \text{Caustic Alkalinity.}$$

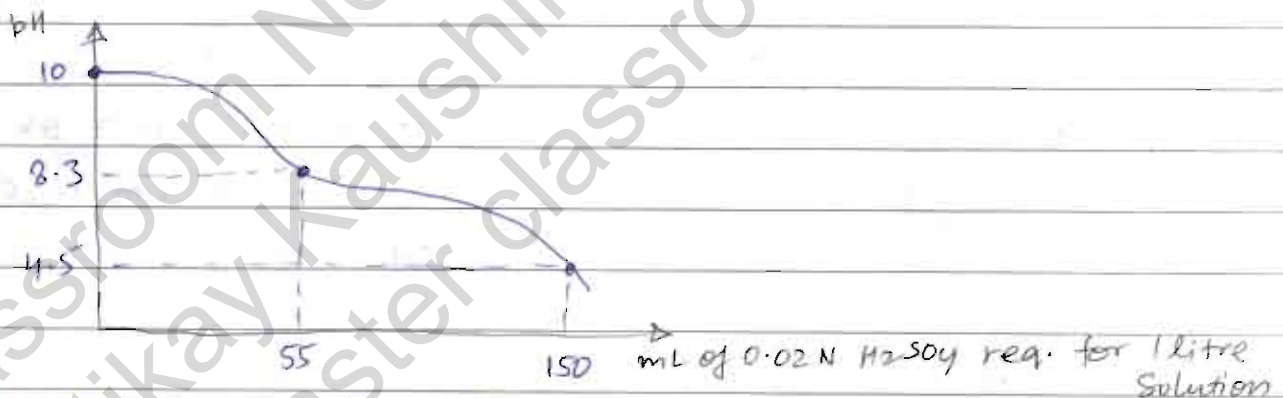
$$\rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] + \frac{1}{2} [\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = \frac{11 \text{ mg as } CaCO_3}{200 \text{ mL}} = 55 \text{ mg/L as } CaCO_3$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = (55 - 5) \times 2 = 100 \text{ mg/L as } CaCO_3 \quad \hookrightarrow \text{Carbonate Alkalinity}$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{HCO}_3^-] = 150 - 5 - 100 = 45 \text{ mg/L as } CaCO_3 \quad \hookrightarrow \text{Bicarbonate Alkalinity.}$$

Total Alkalinity

Approximate Approach

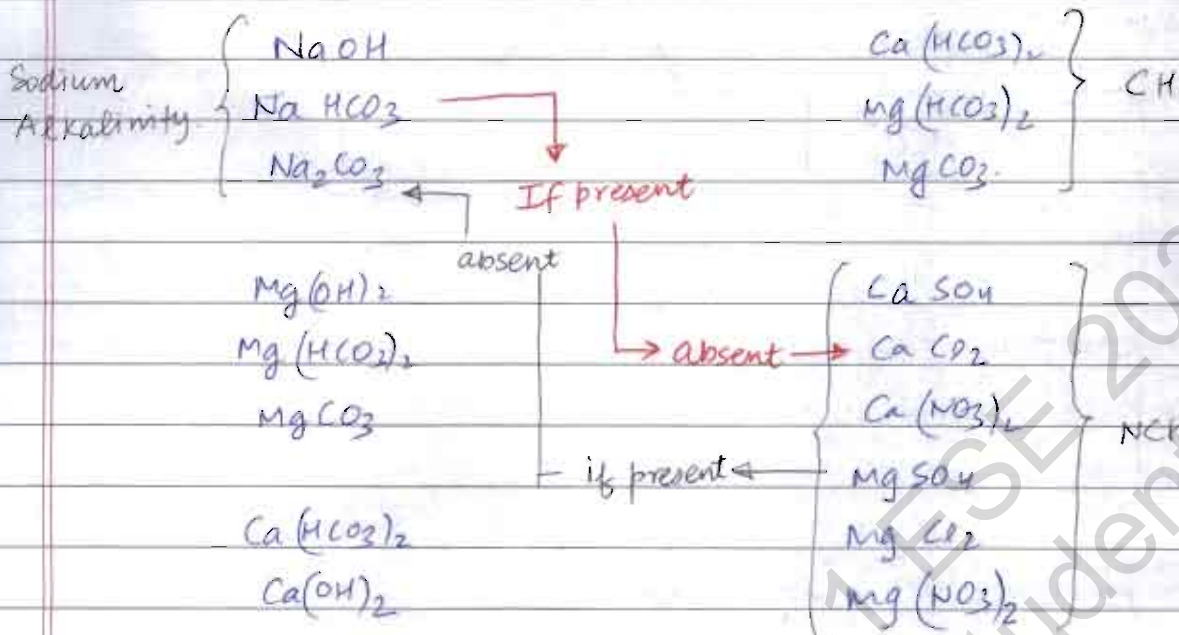


$\therefore [\text{HCO}_3^-]$ and $[\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$ are the predominant species

$$\Rightarrow [\text{OH}^-] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} [\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 55 \Rightarrow [\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = 110 \text{ mg/L as } CaCO_3$$

$$\Rightarrow 55 + [\text{HCO}_3^-] = 150 - 55 \Rightarrow [\text{HCO}_3^-] = 40 \text{ mg/L as } CaCO_3$$

OH^- negligibleAlkalinityHardness

$$\text{CH} = \min \{ \text{TH}, \text{Alkalinity} \}$$

$$\text{NCH} = [\text{TH} - \text{Alkalinity}], \text{ take zero if -ve.}$$

⇒ Hardness

Q. Water contains the following dissolved ions: $[\text{Na}^+] \rightarrow 56 \text{ mg/L}$, $[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 40 \text{ mg/L}$, $[\text{Mg}^{2+}] \rightarrow 30 \text{ mg/L}$, $[\text{Al}^{3+}] \rightarrow 3 \text{ mg/L}$ and $[\text{HCO}_3^-] = 190 \text{ mg/L}$, $[\text{Cl}^-] = 165 \text{ mg/L}$ and $\text{pH} = 7$.

Find TH, Alkalinity, CH and NCH.

$$\rightarrow \text{Alkalinity} = \frac{190}{61} \times 50 = 155.74 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

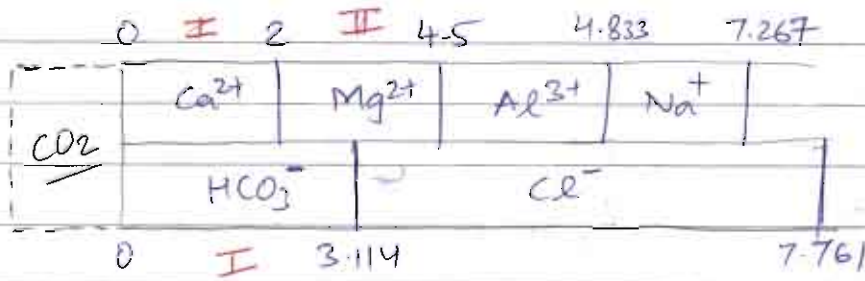
$$\rightarrow \text{TH} = 50 \times \left(\frac{40}{20} + \frac{30}{12} + \frac{3}{9} \right) = 4.833 \times 50 = 241.67 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

$$\rightarrow \text{CH} = \min \{ \text{TH}, \text{alkalinity} \} = 155.74 \text{ mg/L as CaCO}_3$$

$$\text{NCH} = \text{TH} - \text{Alkalinity} = 241.67 - 155.74 = 85.93 \text{ mg/L}$$

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NCH is present
Hence, Na-Alkalinity is absent
So, Na will not combine with $[\text{HCO}_3^-]$ present

⇒ Barchart



⇒ MPN

Q- Multiple Tube Fermentation Test was conducted on a sample of water and the result of analysis for confirmed test are as given below:

Sample size	No. of Positive results out of 5-tubes
10 mL	4
0.1 mL	3
0.01 mL	1

MPN / 100 mL can be obtained from the following chart:

for 10 mL, 1 mL and 0.1 mL

Combination of positive	MPN / 100 mL
4-2-1	26
4-3-1	33
2-1-0	7

Ans → $33 \times 10 = 330$

So MPN = $330 / 100 \text{ mL}$

Q- Sample size No. of +ve result

10 mL	4
1 mL	2
0.1 mL	1
0.01 mL	0

⇒ None of the dilutions have all 5 +ve
 ⇒ Select least diluted with middle result +ve.
 ⇒ MPN = $26 / 100 \text{ mL}$

Q → Water sample having particle distribution as shown below:

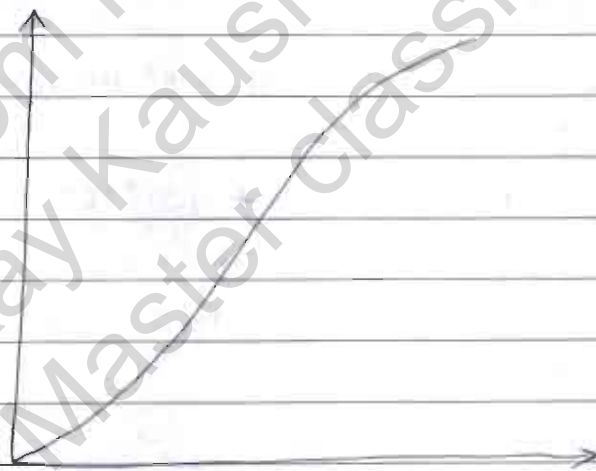
Size	Quantity	Settling velocity in m/s	Fraction removed
0.1 mm	10%	0.2	4/7
0.2 mm	20%	0.25	5/7
0.3 mm	15%	0.3	6/7
0.4 mm	5%	0.35	1
0.5 mm	30%	0.40	1
0.6 mm	20%	0.5	1

→ Overflow rate of tank is 0.35 mm/s. Find the efficiency of the tank.

$$\eta = \frac{\frac{4}{7} \times 0.1 + \frac{5}{7} \times 0.2 + \frac{6}{7} \times 0.15 + 0.55}{1}$$

$$= 0.8786 \Rightarrow 87.86\%$$

→ For continuous distribution of particles,



Q → Determine the overall removal for a sedimentation tank having the following data:

Particle size	Wt fraction greater in size	% removal	% finer
0.1 mm	0.1	100	0.9
0.08 mm	0.15	100	0.85
0.07 mm	0.40	100	0.60
0.06 mm	0.7	100	0.30
0.0597 mm	0.93	100	0.2965
0.04 mm	0.93	44.87	0.07
0.02 mm	0.99	11.22	0.01
0.01 mm	1.00	2.80	0

Overflow rate = $32.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{day}}$ Gs of particles = 1.2

Dynamic viscosity = 1.027 centiPoise, $\rho_w = 0.997 \text{ g/cm}^3$

Use stoke's law to find out the settling velocity.

Find out the overall efficiency.

$$v_s = \frac{(\gamma_s - \gamma_w) d^2}{18\mu} = \frac{\gamma_w (G_s - 1) d^2}{18\mu}$$

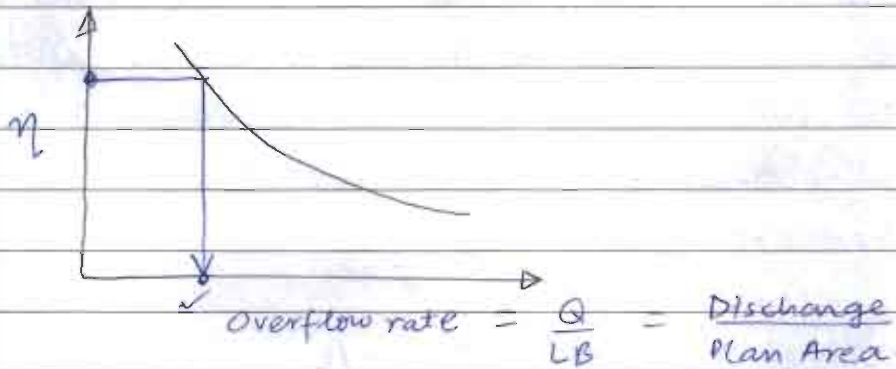
$$\text{For } v_s' = 32.6 \text{ m/day}$$

$$d = 0.0597 \text{ mm}$$

So particles of size $> 0.0597 \text{ mm}$ will be removed completely

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Removal Efficiency} &= \left[(1 - 0.2965) + (0.2265 \times 0.7244) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (0.06 \times 0.2804) + (0.01 \times 0.0701) \right] \times 100\% \\ &= 88.51\% \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Design of settling tank



$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{Q_{\text{design}}}{\text{Overflow rate}} = \frac{L \cdot B \cdot \text{Gaug}}{\text{Overflow rate}} = \text{Plan Area} \quad \left\langle \frac{L \times B}{\frac{\pi D^2}{4}} \right.$$

② Adopt L/B ratio ⇒

③ Find L, B.

④ Take $t_d = \frac{LBH}{Q_{\text{design}}} \Rightarrow$ Find H

⇒ For circular tanks, weir loading rate can also govern the Diameter of tank. as $\pi D = \frac{\text{Discharge}}{\text{weir loading rate}}$.

⇒ Coagulation

Q A water treatment plant treating 10 MLD of water requires 20 mg/L of filter Alum. ($\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$). The water has 6 mg/L of alkalinity as CaCO_3 . Find the total Alkalinity requirement in kg/day matching the filter alum. as CaCO_3 .

Also calculate the quantity of quick lime required in kg/year.

$$\text{Total alkalinity requirement} = \frac{20}{111} \text{ meq/L}$$

$$= \frac{20}{111} \times 50 \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} = 90.09 \text{ kg/day as CaCO}_3$$

$$\text{Alkalinity present} = \frac{6}{50} \text{ meq/L}$$

$$\text{Alkalinity required} = \frac{20}{111} - \frac{6}{50} = \frac{167}{2775} \text{ meq/L} = \frac{167}{2775} \times 29 \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \text{ CaO}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6150.41 \text{ kg/year} \Rightarrow 17221.6 \text{ kg/year}$$

Q- A coagulation treatment plant with a flow of $0.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ is dosing alum at 23 mg/L and no other chemicals are being added. Raw water suspended solid concentration is 37 mg/L and effluent suspended solid conc. is 12 mg/L . Sludge solid content is 1% . The specific gravity of sludge solid is 3.01 . What volume of sludge must be disposed off every day.

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{SS conc. in sludge} &= 37 - 12 = 25 \text{ mg/L} \\ &= 25 \times 0.5 \times 10^3 \times 86400 \times 10^{-6} = 1080 \text{ kg/day} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{Alum ppt in sludge} &= \frac{23 \times 0.234}{1.1} \times 0.5 \times 10^3 \times 86400 \times 10^{-6} \\ &= 232.5 \text{ kg/day} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Total solid in sludge} = 1312.5 \text{ kg/day}$$

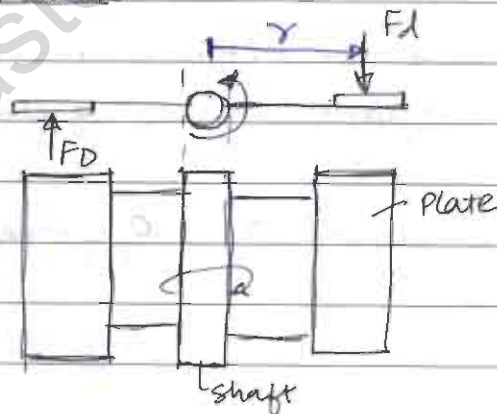
W	w_w
S	w_s

$$\frac{w_s}{w_w + w_s} = 0.01$$

$$w_w = 1299.375 / \text{day}$$

So, $V = 130.374 \text{ m}^3 / \text{day}$

→ Calculation of G_i value



Q A flocculation chamber is 30m long, 12m wide and 4.5m deep is to treat 75 MLD of water. It is equipped with 12m long, 0.3m wide paddles supported parallel to and moved by 4 horizontal shafts which rotate at a speed of 25 rpm. The centre line of the paddle is 1.8m from the shaft which is at the mid depth of the tank. 2 Paddles are mounted on each shaft. If the mean velocity of water is $\frac{1}{4}$ th of the velocity of paddle, find:

- (a) Power consumption
 (b) Time of Flocculation
 (c) G_t , temporal mean velocity gradient.

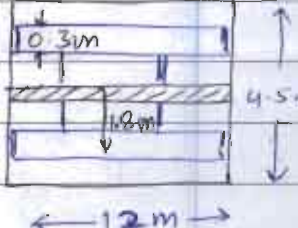
Take $\mu = 1.31 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg m}^2/\text{s}$ and C_d for paddle = 1.8

$$P = F_D \cdot v_T = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho A v_T^3$$

for shaft

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 1.8 \times 1000 \times (2 \times 0.3 \times 12) \times (0.75 \times 0.4712)^3$$

$$= 286 \text{ W}$$

X-section \Rightarrow 

$$v_p = \omega r = 0.4712 \text{ m/s}$$

(a) Power consumption = $4 \times 286 = 1144 \text{ W}$

(b) Time of flocculation = $\frac{30 \times 12 \times 4.5 \times 86400}{75 \times 10^6 \times 10^{-3}} = 31.104 \text{ min.}$

(c) $G_t = \sqrt{\frac{P}{\mu V}} = 23.22 \text{ s}^{-1}$

\Rightarrow Backwashing

Say $Q_{mg} = 24 \times 10^5 \text{ l/day}$

\rightarrow if backwashing takes 30 min., backwashing is done every day, and 5% of filtered water is used for backwashing.

$$Q_{\text{design}} = \frac{1.8 \times 24 \times 10^5 + 0.05 (24 \times 10^5)}{11 \quad 235} \text{ l/hr}$$

→ if backwashing is done after 48 hrs.

$$Q_{\text{design}} = \frac{(1.8 \times 48 \times 10^5) + 0.05 (48 \times 10^5)}{47.5} \text{ t/hr}$$

⇒ Design Steps

① $\frac{Q_{\text{design}}}{\text{Rate of filtration}} = \text{Plan Area}$

↳ 2-20 m/hr = 2000 to 20000 $\frac{\text{m}}{\text{hr}} / \text{m}^2$ of plan Area

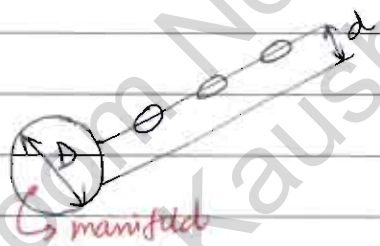
② $n = 1.22 \sqrt{Q_{\text{design}}} + 1$

↳ Standby

③ Obtain size of 1 unit

④ $\frac{L}{B} = 1.25 \text{ to } 1.33$ and adopt depth b/w 3 to 4 m

⇒ Design of Under drainage system



To be determined:

- ① D
- ② d

③ hole size

④ hole spacing

⑤ no. of holes on each lateral drain.

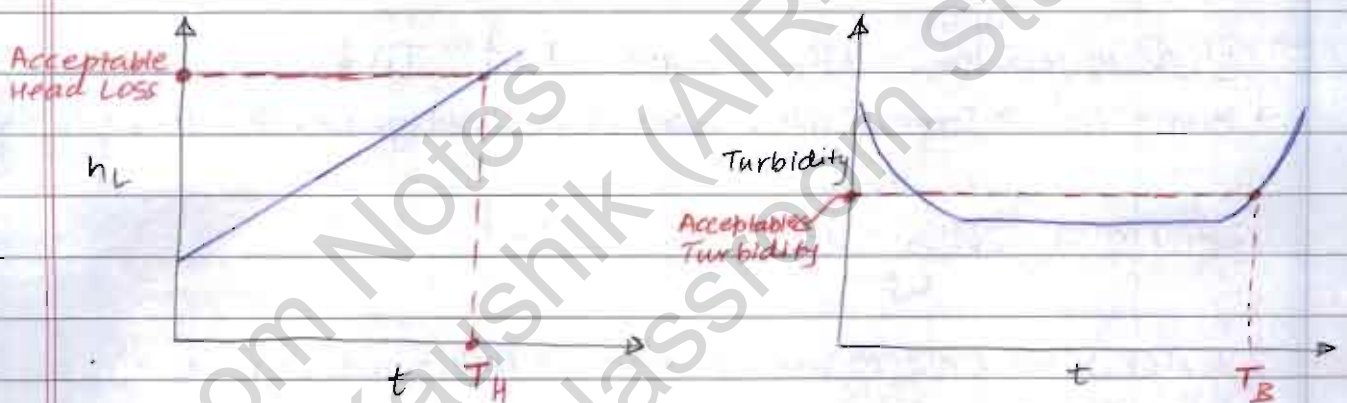
⇒ Sand incrustation means formation of hard coating on the surface of sand. It occurs due to deposition of sticky materials coming from the sedimentation tank in the form of precipitates which do not settle in the sedimentation tank. This will lead to increase in overall size of sand. Can be avoided by carbonation (addition of CO_2) which dissolves ppt's like $\text{CaCO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2$ and $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2 \rightarrow \text{MgCO}_3$. Done after sedimentation and before filtration. Sodium hexameta phosphate may be added to keep CaCO_3 in dissolved form.

⇒ Bumping of filter → Due to blockage of the under-drainage perforations backwash application will be non-uniform and hence more water can be added at a particular location at high velocity which causes the sand in localised location to boil up and also gravel to rise to the surface.

To avoid it air scouring of the under-drain is done to open up the clogged perforations.

⇒ When to do Backwashing?

- ① Particle Breakthrough
 - ② Head Loss
- } in rapid sand filters



- The time at which cleaning of filter should start = $\min \{ T_H, T_B \}$
- As more impurities are trapped, resistance against motion increases and hence, head loss increases.
- As more impurities are trapped, pore size decreases and velocity of flow through pores increases, thus shearing action increases and impurities trapped on sand grain may get dislodged and thus turbidity in effluent starts increasing.

⇒ Effect on T_B and T_H of various parameters in flow

- ① Effect of increase in filter depth $T_B \uparrow$, $T_H \downarrow$

Since more depth of sand is available, there is greater opportunity for particles to be attached to sand grains, $T_B \uparrow$

① Since more depth of sand will lead to greater head loss $\rightarrow T_H \downarrow$

② Effect of increase in porosity $T_B \downarrow$ $T_H \uparrow$

\rightarrow There is lesser opportunity of contact with grains $T_B \downarrow$

\rightarrow There is lesser resistance against flow $T_H \uparrow$

③ Effect of increase in velocity of flow $T_B \downarrow$ $T_H \downarrow$

\rightarrow Increase in shearing action $\rightarrow T_B \downarrow$

\rightarrow Greater loss at higher velocity $\rightarrow T_H \downarrow$

④ Effect of increase in influent particle concentration $T_B \downarrow$ $T_H \downarrow$

\rightarrow Greater conc. of influent \Rightarrow early choking \Rightarrow increased velocity of flow

⑤ Effect of increase in floc strength $T_B \uparrow$ $T_H \downarrow$

\rightarrow Strong floc \Rightarrow Stronger attachment with sand grains \Rightarrow difficult to shear off

⑥ Effect of increase in collector dia $T_B \downarrow$ $T_H \uparrow$
(Bigger size of sand grain dia)

\rightarrow Lesser surface area of sand particles \Rightarrow lesser attachment $\rightarrow T_B \downarrow$

\rightarrow losses are less, pore size being larger $\Rightarrow T_H \uparrow$

⑦ Effect of Non-Addition of coagulant $T_B \downarrow$ $T_H \uparrow$

\rightarrow Attachment with sand grain is not efficient due to lack of coagulation $\rightarrow T_B \downarrow$

\rightarrow Lesser loss through filter media since impurity collection is less.