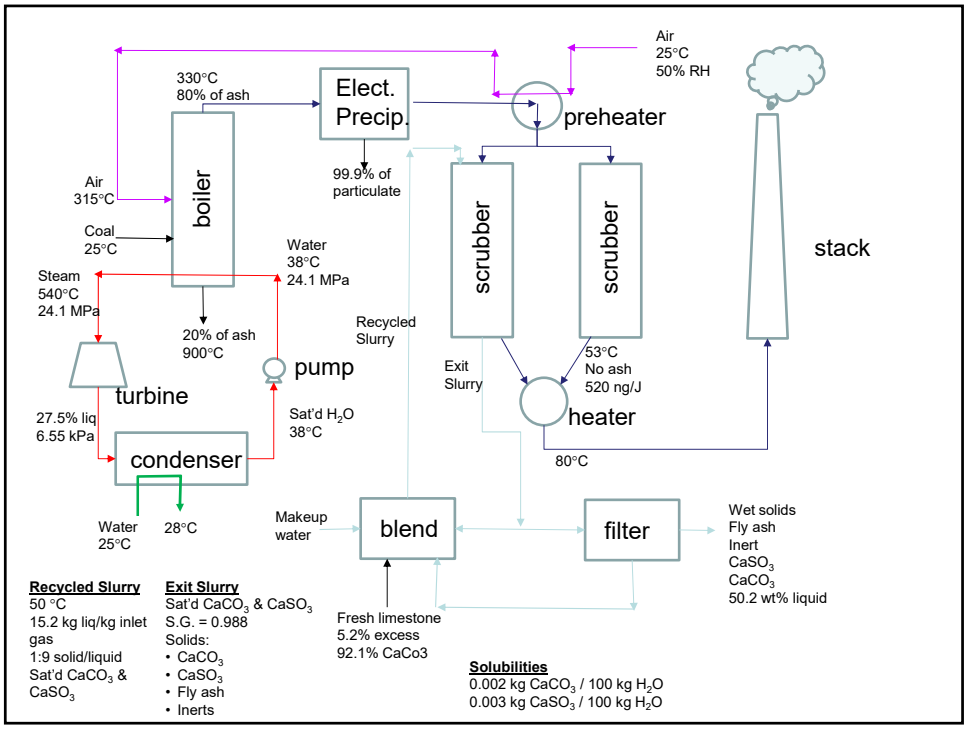
Air
25°C
50% RH
330°C
80% of ash
Elect.
Precip.
preheater
boiler
99.9% of
particulate
scrubber
scrubber
stack
Air
315°C
Coal
25°C
Water
38°C
24.1 MPa
Steam
540°C
24.1 MPa
Recycled
Slurry
20% of ash
900°C
pump
Exit
Slurry
53°C
No ash
520 ng/J
turbine
heater
27.5% liq
6.55 kPa
Sat'd H_2O
38°C
condenser
80°C
Water
25°C
28°C
Makeup
water
blend
filter
Wet solids
Fly ash
Inert
$CaSO_3$
$CaCO_3$
50.2 wt% liquid
Recycled Slurry
50 °C
15.2 kg liq/kg inlet gas
1:9 solid/liquid
Sat'd $CaCO_3$ & $CaSO_3$
Exit Slurry
Sat'd $CaCO_3$ & $CaSO_3$
S.G. = 0.988
Solids:
• $CaCO_3$
• $CaSO_3$
• Fly ash
• Inerts
Fresh limestone
5.2% excess
92.1% CaCo3
Solubilities
0.002 kg $CaCO_3$ / 100 kg H_2O
0.003 kg $CaSO_3$ / 100 kg H_2O

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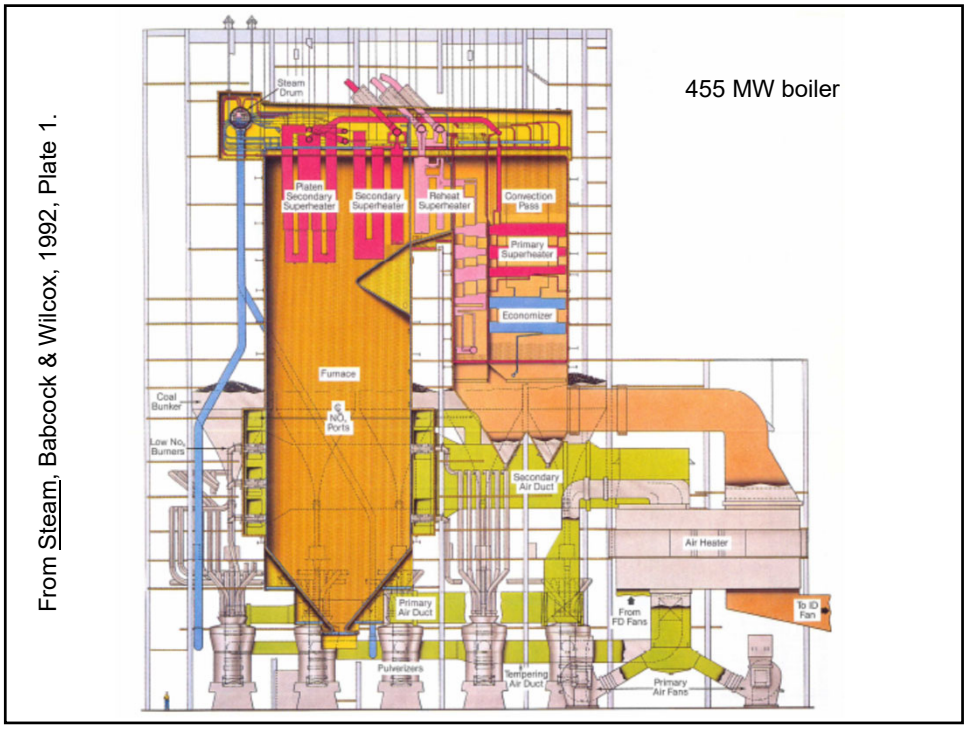
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455 MW boiler
Steam Drum
Platen Secondary Superheater
Secondary Superheater
Reheat Superheater
Convection Pass
Primary Superheater
Economizer
Furnace
Coal Bunker
Low NO_x Burners
Secondary Air Duct
Air Heater
Primary Air Duct
From FD Fans
To ID Fan
Pulverizers
Tempering Air Duct
Primary Air Fans

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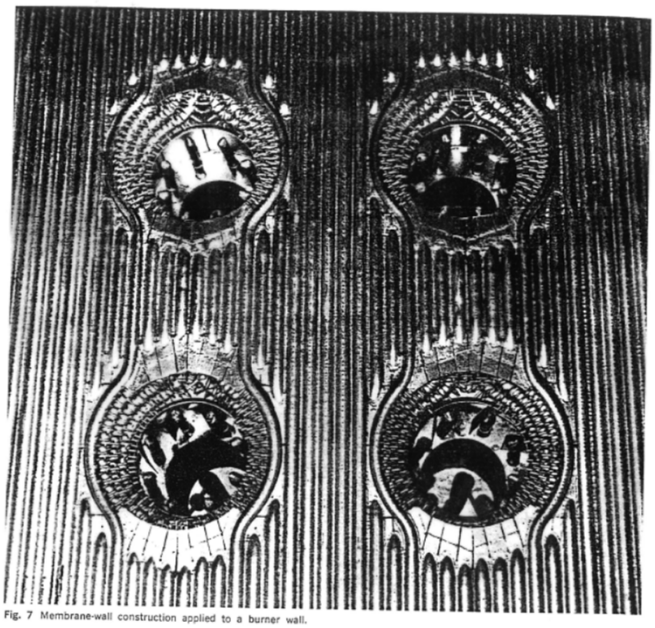

Fig. 7 Membrane-wall construction applied to a burner wall.

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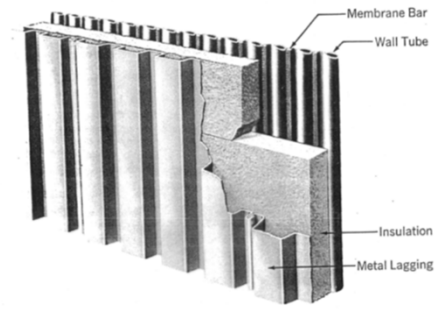

Fig. 2 Membrane wall construction.

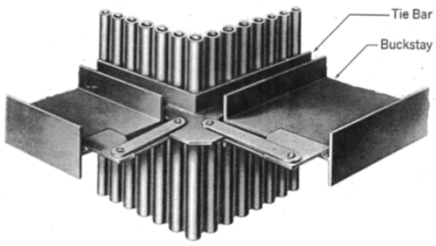

Fig. 6 Tie bar and buckstay arrangement at corner of furnace.

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Water Pipe to Cooling Towers 350,000 gal/min!!!

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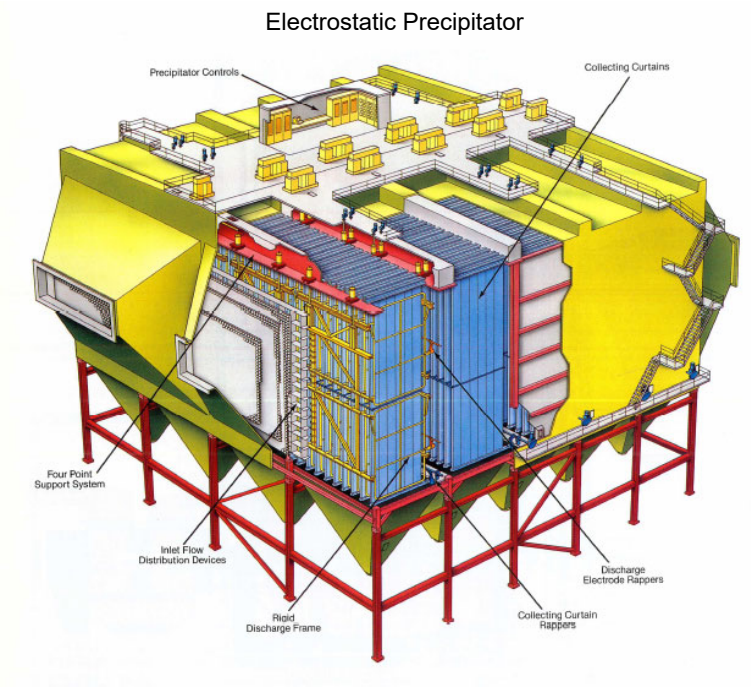
Electrostatic Precipitator



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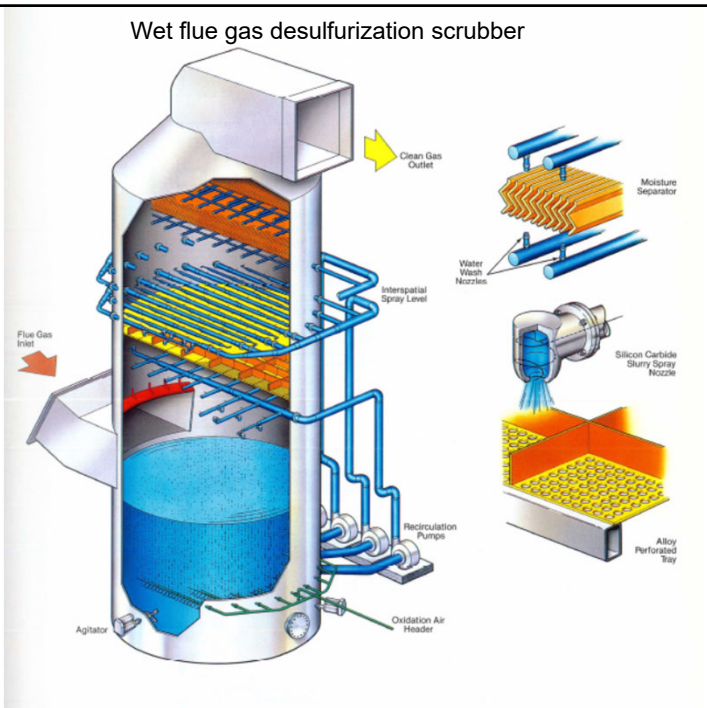
Wet flue gas desulfurization scrubber



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Homework Hints from Web Page

- 14-6. Wow- This was a hard problem. The author's answer key had lots of mistakes. The solubilities are not in the book, but are listed in Perry's Chemical Engineering Handbook. To be consistent, let's use the following solubilities:
  0.002 kg CaCO3/100 kg liquid H2O
  0.003 kg CaSO3/100 kg liquid H2O
  I found that sometimes drawing a unit separately, with the inlet and outlet streams, along with the different phases, helped me to sort through this problem. See the TA's to check answers.
  On 14.6e, the second part of this problem is somewhat ambiguous. What is really wanted is the mass fraction of each component in the wet solids.
- 14-7. I found it a lot easier to do this problem if I calculated the heat of formation of coal. The high heating value of the coal is given, which is the negative of the heat of combustion assuming that the hydrogen goes to liquid water. All reactants and products are 25 C for this value of the heat of combustion. Since the heat of combustion is the total enthalpy of the products minus the total enthalpy of the reactants, and the total enthalpies at 25 C are merely the weighted sums of the heats of formation, the only unknown in this equation is the heat of formation of coal. Assume a basis of 100 kg of dry coal, calculate the products, and then calculate the weighted sum of enthalpies, and finally determine the heat of formation of the coal.
- 14-10. The only way that this problem makes sense is if the heat input to the boiler is really the heating value of the coal going into the boiler. This is the way that the regulations are written.
- 14-14c. From the flow rate of methane, multiply the flow rate by the heat of combustion (i.e., the high heating value). This is an approximate heat addition rate. Then divide by the high heating value of the coal.

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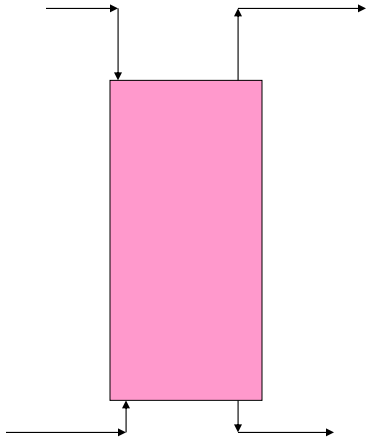
Individual Scrubber

Slurry in
$CaCO_3$(s)
Inert(s)
Sat'd $CaCO_3$(aq)
Sat'd $CaSO_3$(aq)
H_2O (liq)
$CaSO_3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}H_2O$(s)



Gas Out
O_2
N_2
10% of SO_2 gas in
H_2O (sat'd vapor)
CO_2 + Extra CO_2

Gas In
O_2
N_2
H_2O (gas)
CO_2
SO_2 gas
Fly ash

Slurry Out
$CaCO_3$(s)
Inert(s)
Sat'd $CaCO_3$(aq)
Sat'd $CaSO_3$(aq)
H_2O (liq)
$CaSO_3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}H_2O$(s)
Fly ash

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SO_2 Reaction

$$CaCO_3 + SO_2 + \frac{1}{2}H_2O \rightarrow CaSO_3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}H_2O + CO_2$$

$$\dot{n}_{SO_2,removed} = \dot{n}_{SO_2,in} - \dot{n}_{SO_2,out} \quad (= \dot{\xi})$$

$$\dot{n}_{CO_2,formed} = \dot{n}_{SO_2,removed} \quad (= \dot{\xi})$$

$$\dot{n}_{CaCO_3,consumed} = \dot{n}_{SO_2,removed} \quad (= \dot{\xi})$$

$$\dot{n}_{CaSO_{3-hydrate},formed} = \dot{n}_{SO_2,removed} \quad (= \dot{\xi})$$

$$\dot{n}_{H_2O,consumed} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{n}_{SO_2,removed} \quad (= 0.5\dot{\xi})$$

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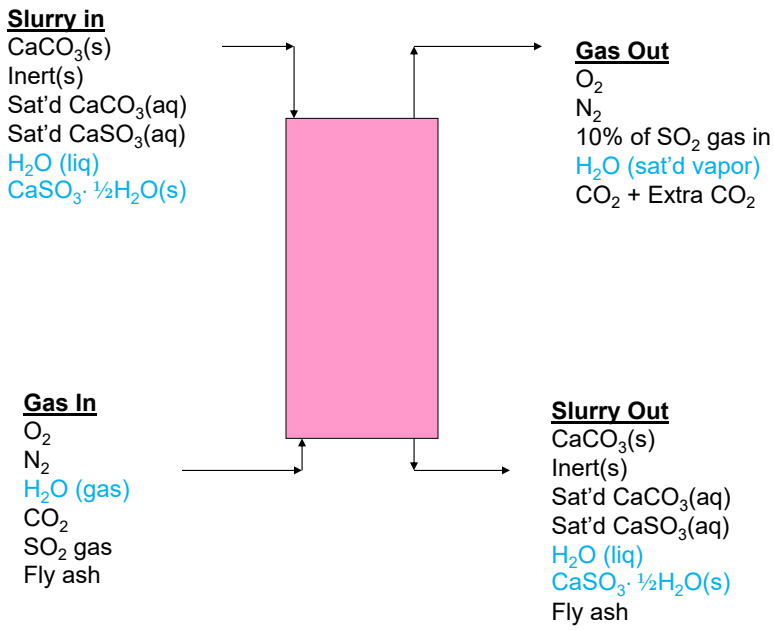
H_2O Balance on Individual Scrubber



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H_2O Balance on a Scrubber

$$\dot{n}_{H_2O(g),in} + \dot{n}_{H_2O(liq),in} + 0.5\dot{n}_{CaSO_3-hydrate,in}$$

From boiler exhaust | From recycled slurry | From recycled slurry

$$= \dot{n}_{H_2O(g),out} + \dot{n}_{H_2O(liq),out} + 0.5\dot{n}_{CaSO_3-hydrate,out}$$

To stack | In slurry | In slurry

Values in green and blue are unknown, but -----

$$0.5\dot{n}_{CaSO_3-hydrate,out} - 0.5\dot{n}_{CaSO_3-hydrate,in} = \dot{n}_{CaSO_3-hydrate,formed}$$

Since $\dot{n}_{CaSO_3-hydrate,formed}$ is known (previous slide), the water balance now has only one unknown:

$$\dot{n}_{H_2O(liq),out}$$

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A note on treating the mass of liquid with solubilities

$$\dot{m}_{liq} = \dot{m}_{H_2O,liq} + \dot{m}_{CaCO_3,aq} + \dot{m}_{CaSO_3,aq}$$

$$\dot{m}_{CaCO_3,aq} = \frac{0.002}{100}\dot{m}_{H_2O}$$

$$\dot{m}_{CaSO_3,aq} = \frac{0.003}{100}\dot{m}_{H_2O}$$

$$\dot{m}_{liq} = \left(1 + \frac{0.002}{100} + \frac{0.003}{100}\right)\dot{m}_{H_2O}$$

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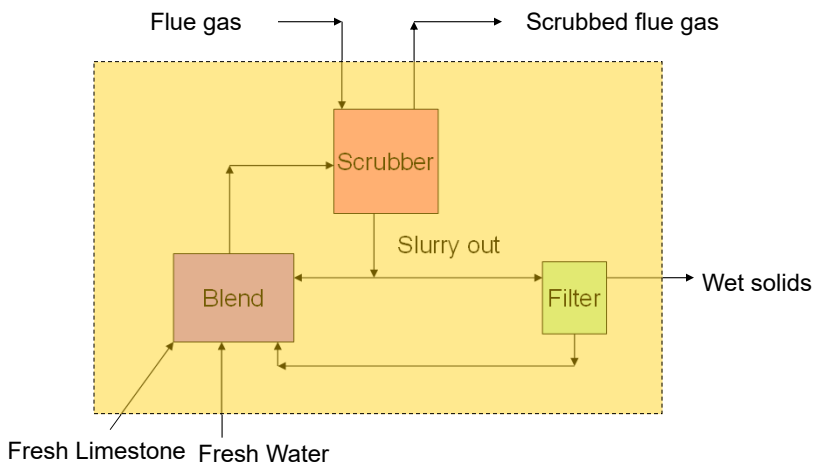
14.6 (e)



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Solids Out in Filter Cake

- All inerts (solid) from limestone → inerts in solid in filter cake
- All unreacted $CaCO_3$ in with fresh limestone → wet filter cake
- All SO_2 removed → wet filter cake ($CaSO_3$ hydrate)
- All flyash in with flue gas → filter cake

- Sum of all of above = $\dot{m}_{solids}$
  + small amount of aqueous $CaSO_3$ hydrate

- Need to guess $\dot{m}_{H_2O,liq}$ and use solver to ensure that

$$\frac{Total\ mass\ of\ liquid\ out}{Total\ mass\ out} = 0.502$$

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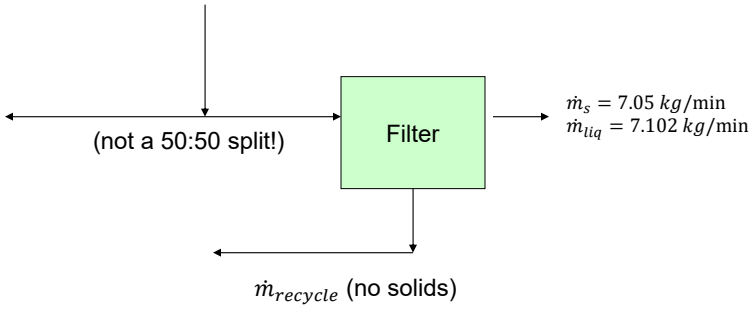
14.6 (f)

S/L ratio = 0.1115 (from 14.6c)



So $\dfrac{\dot{m}_s}{\dot{m}_{liq} + \dot{m}_{recycle}} = 0.1115$ (combination of outputs from filter has same Solid/Liquid ratio as the inlet)

Rearranging, $\dot{m}_{recycle} = \dfrac{\dot{m}_s}{0.1115} - \dot{m}_{liq}$

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Problem 21

You have just gone through the design calculations for the material and energy balances on a coal boiler. If your team were to design such a plant, please discuss the following issues:

1. Public health
2. Public safety
3. Public welfare
4. Global issues
5. Cultural issues
6. Environmental issues
7. Economic factors

There is a sheet on Learning Suite that defines each of these issues (link)

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