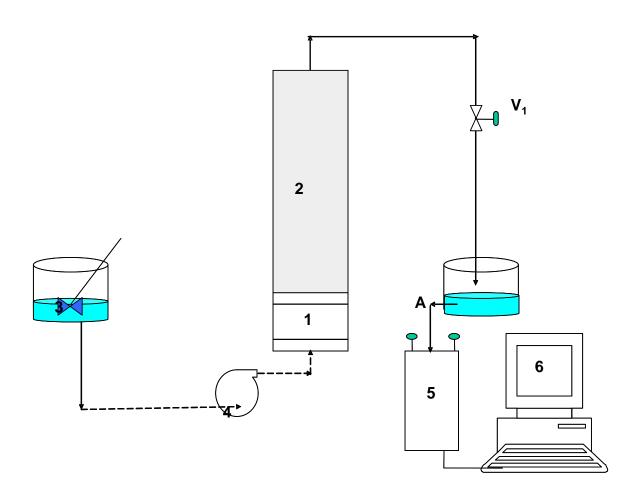
# DETERMINISTIC ADSORPTION MODEL FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT

#### **Experimental Setup**



1- Distributor section 2-Test section 3 – Feed tank 4 – Peristaltic pump 5 – Conductivity meter 6 – Computer. A is sampling port for measuring TDS

### **Model Assumptions**

Flow is One-dimensional in the vertical direction and uniform across the cross sectional area

- The equilibrium adsorption relation is represented by modified BET adsorption isotherm.
- The bed is fully saturated with liquid.(i.e. all interparticle voids are filled with liquid.)
- There is no mass transfer resistance on the liquid side.

#### MODELING AND SIMULATION

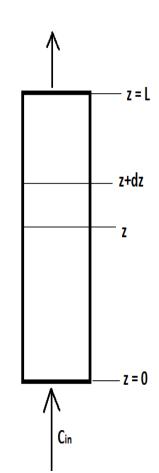
#### One dimensional solute transport equation:

Accumulation = input- output + generation

$$\left(\varepsilon C|_{t+\Delta t}.A.\Delta Z\right)-\left(\varepsilon C|_{t}.A.\Delta Z\right)=\left.\varepsilon.A.\Delta t\left(-D.\frac{\partial c}{\partial z}\Big|_{Z}+uC|_{Z}\right)-\left(\varepsilon.A.\Delta t\left(-D.\frac{\partial c}{\partial z}\Big|_{Z+\Delta Z}+uC|_{Z}\right)\right)$$

$$uC|_{Z+\Delta Z}$$
)  $-(1-\varepsilon)\rho\frac{\partial q}{\partial t}A.\Delta Z.\Delta t$ 

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial Z^2} - u \frac{\partial C}{\partial Z} - \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)\rho}{\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} \cdot \dots (1)$$



## BET isotherm: for liquid phase Bio-Reactor adsorption

$$q = q_m \frac{k_s C[1 - (N+1)(k_l C)^N + N(k_l C)^{N+1}]}{(1 - k_l C)[(1 + (\frac{k_s}{k_l} - 1)k_l C - \frac{k_s}{k_l}(k_l C)^{N+1}]}$$
 ...(2)

When 
$$N\to\infty$$
,  $q = q_m \frac{k_s C}{(1 - k_1 C)(1 - k_1 C + k_s C)}$  ...(3)

When N = 1, 
$$q = q_m \frac{k_s C}{1 + k_s C}$$
 ...(4)

Where,

N is no. of layers

q<sub>m</sub>- monolayer adsorption capacity, mg/g

C- is the equilibrium liquid phase concentration, mg/L

## Modeling and simulation

 Solving the one dimensional transport equation with adsorption isotherm equation we will lead to the expression in this form,

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = D \frac{\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2} - u \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}}{g(C)} \qquad ...(5)$$

Where g(C) is a function of concentration and it will be different for different situations.

## Modeling and simulation

#### Using Eqs (1) and (2)

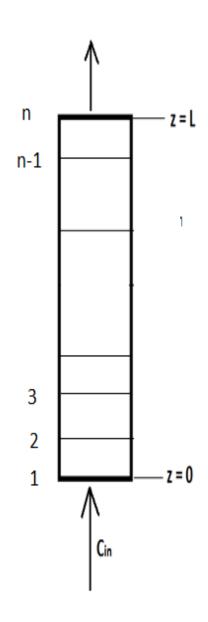
$$\begin{split} g(C) &= 1 + \frac{(1-\epsilon)\rho q_{m}k_{s}}{\epsilon .\,B^{2}} \big[ B\{1-(N+1)^{2}(k_{l}.\,C)^{N} + N(N+2)(k_{l}C)^{N+1}\} \\ &- A\{k_{s} - 2k_{l} - k_{s}(k_{l}C)^{N}(N+1) - 2k_{s}k_{l}C + 2k_{l}^{2}C + (N+2)k_{s}(k_{l}C)^{N+1}\} \big] \\ & \text{here}, \quad A = C\big[1-(N+1)(k_{l}C)^{N} + N(k_{l}C)^{N+1}\big] \\ & B = (1-k_{l}C)\big[\Big(1+\Big(\frac{k_{s}}{k_{l}}-1\Big)k_{l}C - \frac{k_{s}}{k_{l}}(k_{l}C)^{N+1}\big] \end{split}$$

#### Using Eqs (1) and

(3) 
$$g(c) = 1 + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)}{\varepsilon} \rho q_{m} k_{s} \frac{[1 - k_{l}^{2}C^{2} + k_{l}k_{s}C^{2}]}{[(1 - k_{l}C)(1 - k_{l}C + k_{s}C)]^{2}}$$

Using Eqs (1) and (4) 
$$g(c) = 1 + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)}{\varepsilon} \frac{\rho q_m k_s}{(1 + k_s C)^2}$$

- ➤ To solve Eqs 5 finite difference scheme was used.
- ➤ The concentration in the bed is discretized in the spatial direction. For that bed is divided into n-1 grids (n grid points).
- The grid points are numbered from 1 to n as we vary Z from 0 (entrance) to L (exit).
- ➤ The evaluation of the concentration with time in each node is modeled through ordinary differential equations.



## For i th grid point, eq. 5 can be written as

$$\frac{\partial C_{i}}{\partial t} = D \frac{\frac{\partial^{2} C_{i}}{\partial Z^{2}} - u \frac{\partial C_{i}}{\partial Z}}{g(C_{i})} \qquad ...(6)$$

By Central difference approximation of  $\frac{\partial C}{\partial Z}$  at node 'i' is,

$$\left. \frac{\partial C}{\partial Z} \right|_{i} = \frac{C_{i+1} - C_{i-1}}{2\Delta Z} \qquad ... (7)$$

By Central difference approximation of  $\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial Z^2}$  at node 'i' is,

$$\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial Z^2}\Big|_i = \frac{C_{i+1} - 2C_i + C_{i-1}}{\Delta Z^2} \qquad ...(8)$$

## Modeling and simulation

Using central difference scheme for the derivatives we obtain,

$$\frac{dC_i}{dt} = \frac{D\left(\frac{C_{i+1} - 2C_i + C_{i-1}}{\Delta Z^2}\right) - u\left(\frac{C_{i+1} - C_{i-1}}{2\Delta Z}\right)}{g(C_i)} \qquad ...(9)$$

for i = 1,
$$\frac{dC_1}{dt} = \frac{D\left(\frac{C_2 - 2C_1 + C_0}{\Delta Z^2}\right) - u\left(\frac{C_2 - C_0}{2\Delta Z}\right)}{g(C_1)} \quad \dots (10)$$

Similarly for i = n,

$$\frac{dC_n}{dt} = \frac{D\left(\frac{C_{n+1} - 2C_n + C_{n-1}}{\Delta Z^2}\right) - u\left(\frac{C_{n+1} - C_{n-1}}{2\Delta Z}\right)}{g(C_n)} \qquad ...(11)$$

## Initial and boundary conditions

- ➤ Initial condition is: C (t=0) =0; for 0<z<L Closed Danckwerts Boundary condition
- Boundary conditions are

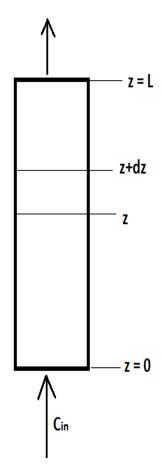
At z=0 (entry) 
$$uC_{in} = -D\frac{\partial C}{\partial z} + uC$$

At 
$$z = L$$
 (exit)  $uC(L^{+}) = uC(L^{-}) - D \frac{\partial C(L^{-})}{\partial z}$ 

imposing continuity of concentration at the exit of the bed we obtain

$$D\frac{\partial C(L^{-})}{\partial Z} = 0$$

$$uC(L^{+}) = uC(L^{-})$$



Using central difference scheme for boundary condition at the inlet and the outlet of the tower

$$C_0 = C_2 - \frac{2u\Delta Z}{D}(C_1 - C_{in})$$

$$C_{n+1} = C_{n-1}$$
, At node n

Thus Eq. (11) will be reduced to

$$\frac{dC_n}{dt} = \frac{\left(\frac{2D}{\Delta Z^2}\right)(C_{n-1} - C_n)}{g(C_n)}$$

These n differential Equations are subjected to n initial condition. The concentration evolution with time was obtained using MATLAB

## Initial and boundary conditions: recycle mode

#### **Initial and boundary conditions**

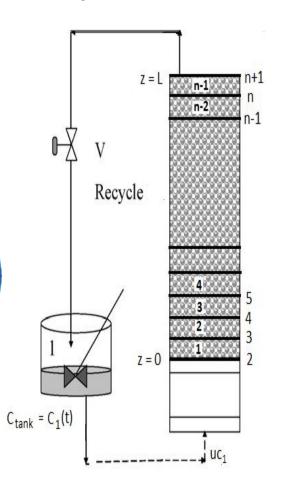
Initial conditions:

$$C(t=0) = 0$$
; for  $0 \le z \le L$  and  $C_{tank} = C_{feed}$ 

**❖** Boundary conditions :

At z=0 (at node 2 i.e. inlet)
$$uC_{tank} = \left(-D.\frac{\partial C}{\partial Z}\Big|_2 + uC\Big|_2\right)$$

$$uC(L^{+}) = -D\frac{\partial C(L^{-})}{\partial Z} + uC(L^{-})$$



$$D\frac{\partial C(L^{-})}{\partial 7} = 0 \qquad uC(L^{+}) = uC(L^{-})$$

## Modeling and simulation: Recycle mode

#### For tank Accumulation = Input - Output

$$V\frac{dC_{tank}}{dt} = v[C(L) - C_{tank}]$$

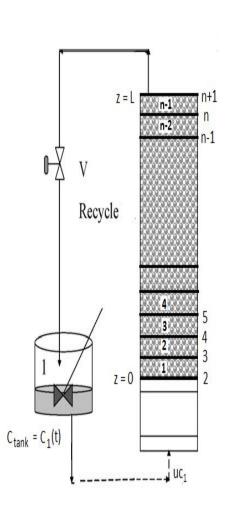
$$\frac{dC_{tank}}{dt} = \frac{v}{V} [C(L) - C_{tank}]$$

$$\frac{dC_1}{dt} = A_1[C(L) - C_1]$$

$$\frac{dC_1}{dt} = A_1[C_{n+1} - C_1]$$

$$A_1 = \frac{v}{V}$$

$$C_{tank} = C_1$$



## Modeling and simulation: Recycle mode

#### **BET** isotherm

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q_m} \frac{\mathbf{k_s} \; C[1 - (N+1)(\mathbf{k_l}C)^N + N(\mathbf{k_l}C)^{N+1}]}{(1 - \mathbf{k_l}C)[(1 + \left(\frac{\mathbf{k_s}}{\mathbf{k_l}} - 1\right)\mathbf{k_l}C - \frac{\mathbf{k_s}}{\mathbf{k_l}}(\mathbf{k_l}C)^{N+1}]}$$

For 
$$N \rightarrow q = q_m \frac{k_s C}{(1 - k_l C)(1 - k_l C + k_s C)}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial Z^2} - u \frac{\partial C}{\partial Z} - \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)\rho}{\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{\partial q}{\partial t}.$$

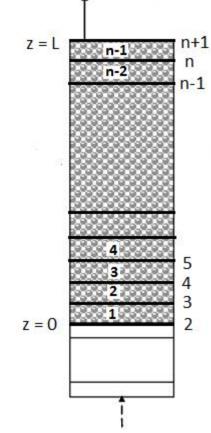
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$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = D \frac{\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2} - u \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}}{g(C)}$$

Where g(C) is a function of concentration

For that bed is divided into n-1 grids using n grid points (from 2 to n+1).



#### In packed bed At ith node

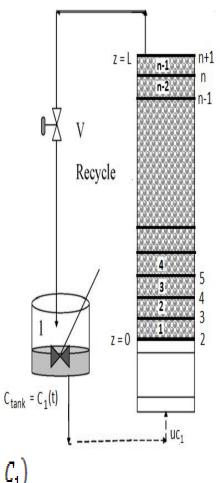
$$\frac{dC_{i}}{dt} = \frac{D\left(C_{i+1} - 2C_{i} + C_{i-1}/\Delta Z^{2}\right) - u\left(C_{i+1} - C_{i-1}/2\Delta Z\right)}{g(C_{i})}$$

#### At node 2

$$\frac{dC_2}{dt} = \frac{D\left(C_3 - 2C_2 + C_1'/_{\Delta Z^2}\right) - u\left(C_3 - C_1'/_{2\Delta Z}\right)}{g(C_2)}$$

$$uC_{tank} = \left(-D.\frac{\partial C}{\partial Z}\bigg|_2 + uC|_2\right)$$

$$uC_{tank} = \left(-D.\frac{\partial C}{\partial Z}\Big|_{2} + uC\Big|_{2}\right) \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad C_{1}' = C_{3} - \frac{2u\Delta Z}{D}(C_{2} - C_{1})$$



From node 3 to n

$$\frac{dC_{i}}{dt} = \frac{D\left(C_{i+1} - 2C_{i} + C_{i-1}/\Delta Z^{2}\right) - u\left(C_{i+1} - C_{i-1}/2\Delta Z\right)}{g(C_{i})}$$

At node n+1 (exit)

$$\frac{dC_{n+1}}{dt} = \frac{D\left(C_{n+2} - 2C_{n+1} + C_{n}/\Delta Z^{2}\right) - u\left(C_{n+2} - C_{n}/2\Delta Z\right)}{g(C_{n+1})}$$

$$uC(L^{+}) = -D \frac{\partial C(L^{-})}{\partial Z} + uC(L^{-}) \qquad D \frac{\partial C(L^{-})}{\partial Z} = 0$$

$$uC(L^{+}) = uC(L^{-}) \longrightarrow C_{n+2} = C_{n}$$

$$\frac{dC_{n+1}}{dt} = \frac{\binom{2D}_{\Delta Z^2}(C_n - C_{n+1})}{g(C_{n+1})}$$

So we get n+1 ODEs subjected to n+1 initial conditions which can be solved using MATLAB.