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SOURCES OF WATER:

- A) Surface Waters
- B) Underground Waters

A) Surface Waters:

1. Rain Water:

Rain water is the purest form of natural water as it is obtained as a result of evaporation from the surface water. However, during the journey downwards thru the atmosphere, it is contaminated with industrial gases like CO_2 , SO_2 , NO_2 and suspended organic and inorganic solid particles.

2. River Water:

Rivers are fed by rain & spring waters. River water contains dissolved minerals of the soil such as nitrates, sulphates, bicarbonates of Na , Ca , Mg & Fe .

3. Lake Water:

Lake water has more constant chemical composition than well water, but has high organic matter.

4. Sea Water:

It is most impure form of natural water. Rivers join sea & throw the impurities carried by the sea water contains 3.5% of dissolved salts out of which 2-6% is NaCl .

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B) Underground Water:

A part of the rain water which reaches surface of the earth, percolates into earth. As this water journeys downwards it comes in contact with mineral salts in soil. If it meet a hard rock when it retreats upwards and it may come out in form of spring.

Spring and well water is clearer in appearance due to filtering action of soil but contains more of dissolved salts.

Characteristics imparted by impurities in water

The different types of impurities are:

Physical Impurities

Chemical Impurities

Biological Impurities.

1. Physical Impurities:

a) Colour:

colour in water is caused by metallic substance like salts of Fe, Mn and dissolved salts. The change in colour of water is not harmful unless it is associated with any toxic chemicals. Yellow hue indicates the presence of Cr (chromium), yellowish-red - Fe, red-brown - algae, peat

Turbidity:

Turbidity is due to colloidal, suspension like clay, silt and microorganisms. Turbidity expresses the optical properties of water.

c) Taste:

Taste is interlinked with colour directly. However the presence of dissolved mineral in H_2O produces taste but not odour. e.g. bitter taste is due to the presence of Fe, Al, Mn. Soapy taste is due to sodium bicarbonate, brackish taste - salts

d) Odour:

odour in water is undesirable for domestic as well as industrial purposes. Bad odour is due to micro organisms, decaying vegetation like algae, bacteria, fungi and weeds. Odour is due to presence of inorganic and organic compounds. Presence of algae in water produce of N, S, P etc. Presence of iron and sulphur gives gassy odour, growth of iron and sulphur bacteria produce offensive odour.

e) Chemical impurities in H_2O :

Inorganic & organic chemicals released from dyes, paints, Vanishes, drugs, insecticides, detergents etc. pollute water. Thus the basic chemical impurities includes:

a) Acidity:

Surface waters & ground waters attain acidity from industrial wastes like acid, sulfuric acid, mine drainage etc. Acidity is caused by CO_2 , H_2SO_4 and mineral acids.

b) Gases:

All natural waters contain dissolved atmosphere CO_2 . Dissolved O_2 from industrial wastes pollute water and dissolved NH_3 in water is due to nitrogenous organic matter.

c) Mineral Matters:

Mineral matters are from rocks & industrial effluents. These include mineral acids, Ca^{2+} , Mg^{2+} , Na^+ , K^+ , Fe^{2+} , CO_3^{2-} , Mn^{2+} , HCO_3^- , Cl^- , SO_4^{2-} etc.

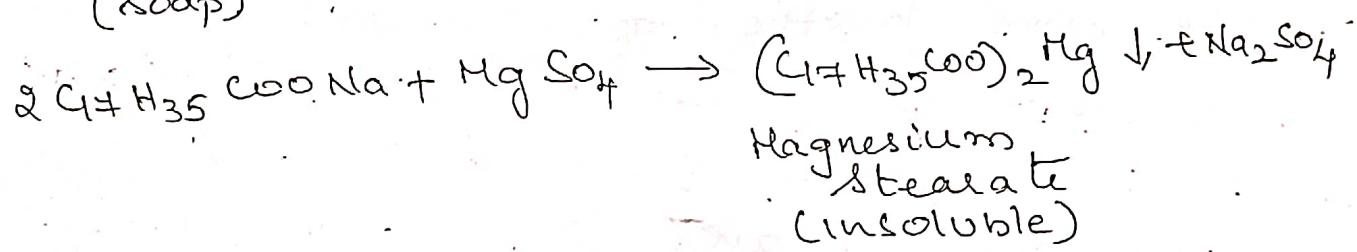
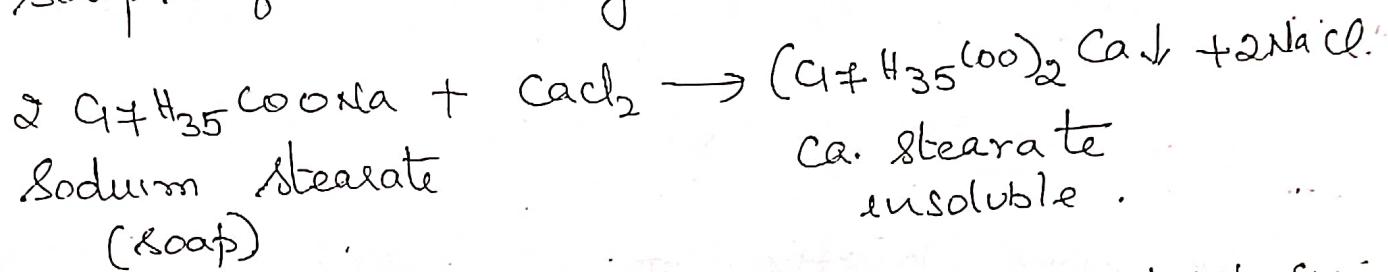
3) Biological Impurities:

These include algae, pathogenic bacteria, fungi, virus etc. a) Micro-organisms: These include algae, fungi, bacteria which often form slime thereby causing fouling &

b) Water bodies: These includes corosion. b) Water bodies: These are inhabited bacteria and planktons. These are inhabited by different group of worms like flat worms, hair worms, tiny round worms, etc.

HARDNESS OF WATER:

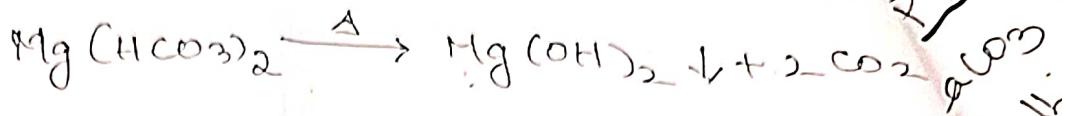
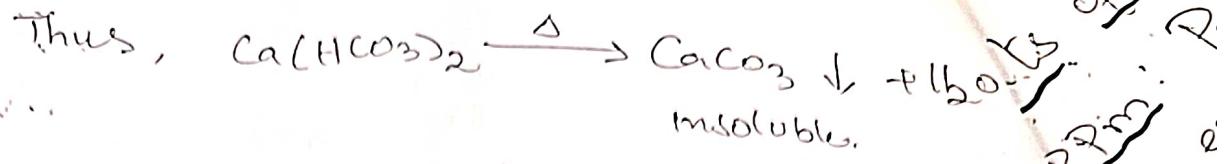
Hardness of water is the characteristic which prevents the lathering of soap. This is due to certain salts of Ca, Mg and heavy metals dissolved in water. A sample of hard water, when treated with soap, does not produce lather, but forms a white scum or precipitate. This precipitate is due to formation of insoluble soaps of Ca and Mg.



Thus water which does not produce lather with soap readily but forms a white curd is called hard water. and water which lathers easily with soap is called soft water.

Hardness is of 2 types:

1) Temporary or Carbonate Hardness:
 This is caused by the presence of dissolved bicarbonates of Ca, Mg, heavy metals. It is destroyed by boiling of H_2O , when bicarbonates are decomposed, yielding insoluble carbonates or hydroxides which are deposited as a crust at the bottom of vessel.



a) Permanent Hardness or Non Carbonate Hardness:

This is due to the presence of chlorides and sulphates of Ca, Mg, Fe, heavy metals. This is not destroyed by boiling.

Equivalents of CaCO_3 :

The concentration of hardness and non-hardness is expressed in terms of equivalent amount of CaCO_3 since it permits the multiplication and division of concn. w/ required. Moreover, its mol.wt. is 100 and insoluble salt that can be precipitated in water treatment.

The equivalent of CaCO_3 =

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{mass of hardness producing substance}}{\text{chemical equivalent of } \text{CaCO}_3 (50)} \times$$

Chemical equivalent of hardness producing substance

Units of Hardness:

1) PPm: Parts Per Million is the parts of CaCO_3 equivalent hardness per 10^6 parts of H_2O . $1 \text{ppm} = 1 \text{ part of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq. hardness in } 10^6 \text{ parts of } \text{H}_2\text{O}$.

2) Milligrams Per litre mg/l:

It is the no. of milligrams of CaCO_3 equivalent hardness present per litre of H_2O .

$$1 \text{ mg/l} = 1 \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq. hardness of } 1 \text{ l } \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$\text{But } 1 \text{ l of } \text{H}_2\text{O} \text{ weighs } = 1 \text{ kg} = 1000 \text{ g}$$

$$= 1000 \times 1000 \text{ mg} \\ = 10^6 \text{ mg}$$

$$1 \text{ mg/l} = 1 \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq. per } 10^6 \text{ mg of } \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$= 1 \text{ part of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq. per } 10^6 \text{ parts of } \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$= 1 \text{ ppm}$$

3) Clarke's degree °cl:

It is the no. of grains of CaCO_3 eq. hardness per gallon (10 lb) of H_2O or it is parts of CaCO_3 eq. hardness per 70000 parts of H_2O .

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$$1^\circ \text{ cl} = 1 \text{ part of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq. hardness per 70000 parts of } \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

4) Degree French ${}^{\circ}\text{Fr}$:

It is the parts of CaCO_3 eq hardness per 10⁵ parts of H_2O . Thus

$${}^{\circ}\text{Fr} = \frac{1 \text{ part of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq hardness}}{10^5 \text{ parts of } \text{H}_2\text{O}}$$

5) Milliequivalent per litre : meq/l.

It is the no. of milliequivalents of hardness present per litre.

$$1 \text{ meq/l} = 1 \text{ meq of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ per l of } \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$= 10^{-3} \times 50 \text{ g of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ per l.}$$

$$= 50 \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq per l.}$$

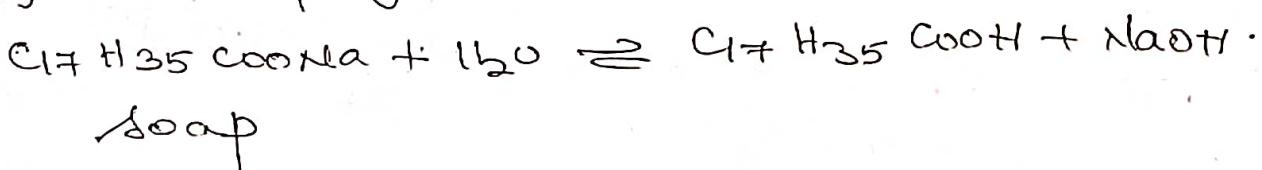
$$= 50 \text{ mg/l of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq} = 50 \text{ ppm.}$$

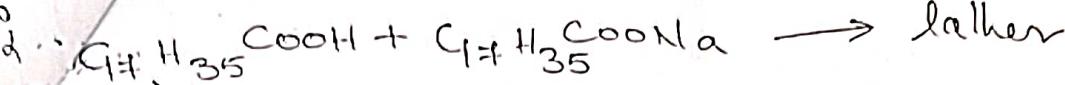
Disadvantages of Hard Water:

1. In domestic Use:

i) Washing:

During washing hard water does not lather freely with soap and it produces sticky precipitates of Ca & Mg soaps. The formation of such insoluble sticky precipitates continues till all Ca & Mg salts are precipitated. After that, the soap gives lather with water.





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steeric acid soap.

This causes a wastage of lot of soap being used.
This sticky precipitate adheres on the fabric giving spots and streaks as well as stains.

ii) Bathing:

Due to hard water, the cleansing quality of soap is depressed and a lot of soap is wasted.

iii) Cooking:

Due to dissolved salts in hardwater, its boiling point is elevated thereby consuming lot of time and fuel while cooking. Certain foods like pulses, beans, peas don't cook soft and Tea, coffee prepared from hardwater gives unpleasant taste. Moreover, the dissolved salts are deposited as carbonates on the inner walls of water heating utensils.

iv) Drinking:

Hardwater causes bad effect on our digestive system forming calcium oxalate crystals in urinary tracks.

2) Industrial Use:

i) Textile industry and dyeing industry:
Much of the soap is wasted due to hard water and precipitates of Ca & Mg adhere to the fabrics

These fabrics when dyed later on, do not produce exact shades of colour. Fe³⁺ salts produce coloured spots on fabric.

i) Sugar industry:

Hardwater causes difficulties in crystallization of sugar and sugar produced may be deliquescent.

ii) Paper Industry:

Ca & Mg salts react with the chemicals employed for proper finish to paper and thus affect the colour & quality of the paper.

iv) Concrete making:

The salts present in hardwater affects the hydration of cement and its strength.

v) Pharmaceutical Industry:

Hardwater, if used for preparing pharmaceutical products like drugs, ointments etc may produce undesirable products in them.

vi) In Steam Generation in Boilers:

Boilers are employed for steam generation. If hard water is fed directly to the boilers, there are boiler troubles like scale & sludge formation, corrosion, priming, foaming, caustic embrittlement.

BOILERS TROUBLES:

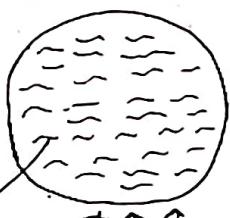
SCALE AND SLUDGE FORMATION:

In boilers, water evaporates continuously and the concentration of dissolved salts increase progressively. When their concentration reach saturation point, they are thrown out of water in form of precipitates on the inner walls of the boiler.

If the precipitation occurs in the form of loose and slimy ppt then it is called sludge. If the precipitate is hard getting adhere on the inner walls of the boilers, it is called scale.

Sludge:

Sludge is a soft, loose, slimy precipitate formed within the boiler. It can be scrapped off with wire brush. It is formed at colder portions of the boiler and these are formed by substances which have greater solubilities in hot H_2O than in cold water.
e.g MgCO_3 , MgCl_2 , CaCl_2 , MgSO_4 etc.



loose ppt
suspended
in H_2O

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heat

Disadvantages of Sludge:

1. Sludges are poor conductor of heat, so they waste the heat generated.

Sludge.

2) If sludges are formed with scales, they get entrapped in the scales and bolt get deposited.

3) It disturbs the working of the boiler. It settles in regions of poor water circulation such as pipe connection, plug opening, gauge glass connection thereby causing choking of pipes.

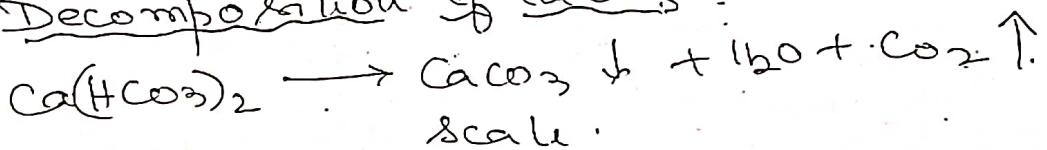
Prevention of Sludge formation:

- 1) By using soft water
- 2) By frequently blow down operation

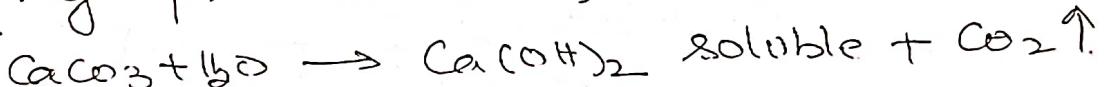
Scales:

Scales are hard deposits which stick very firmly to inner surfaces of boiler. These are main sources of boiler. Formation of scales are due to the following:

1) Decomposition of CaCO_3 :



In high pressure boilers, CaCO_3 is soluble.

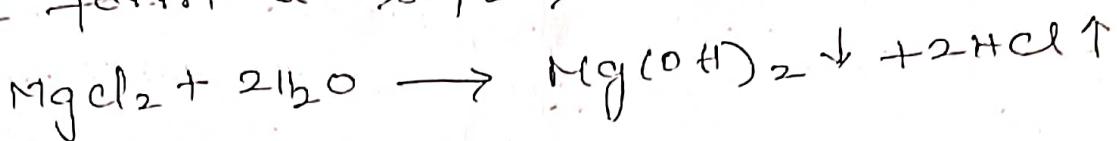


2) Decomposition of CaSO_4 :

The solubility of CaSO_4 in H_2O decreases with rise of temperature. $\therefore \text{CaSO}_4$ get precipitated as hard scale. This is main cause of scales in high pressure boiler.

Q. Hydrolysis of magnesium salts:

Dissolved Mg salts undergo hydrolysis at high temp. inside the boiler forming $Mg(OH)_2$, ppt. which form a soft scale.



4) Presence of silica: (SiO_2)

SiO_2 get deposited as calcium silicate $CaSiO_3$ or $MgSiO_3$ which stick very firmly on inner side of the boiler surface.

Disadvantages of scale formation:

i. Waistage of fuel:

Scales have low thermal conductivity, so heat transfer is decreased. ∴ Over heating is done which causes increase in fuel consumption. The wastage of fuel depends on thickness and nature of scale.

2. Lowering of boiler safety:

Due to scale formation, overheating of boiler makes the boiler material softer & weaker and this causes distortion of boiler tube and makes boiler unsafe to bear the pressure of the steam.

3. Decrease in efficiency:

Scales may sometimes deposit in valves and condensers of the boiler and choke

them partially. This results in decrease in efficiency of the boilers.

4) Danger of explosion:

When thick scales crack, due to uneven expansion, the water comes suddenly in contact with over heated iron plates. This causes formation of large amt of steam suddenly. So sudden high pressure is developed which may cause explosion of the boiler.

Removal of Scales:

This can be done 1) by using scrapper - piece of wood, wire brush.

2) By thermal shocks which involves heating the boiler & cooling the boiler suddenly in cold water

3) By dissolving them in chemicals like HCl which could dissolve CaCO_3 scales. casey scales can be dissolved by addition of EDTA

4) By blow down operation. It is the partial removal of hard H_2O thru top at the bottom of boiler, when the hardness in the boiler becomes alarmingly high.

Prevention of Scale formation

1) External treatment:

Softening of H_2O methods →

Internal Treatment: Sequestration

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Internal treatment is accomplished by adding a proper chemical to boiler water either a) to precipitate the scale forming impurities in form of sludge which can be removed by blow down operation b) to convert them into compounds which stay in dissolved form in water and thus don't cause any harm.

The internal treatment methods are:

1) Colloidal Conditioning:

In low pressure boilers scale formation can be avoided by adding organic substances like kerosene, tannin, agar-agar, which get coated over the scale forming deposit thereby yielding non-sticky and loose deposit which can be removed by blowdown operation.

2) Phosphate Conditioning:

In high pressure boilers, scale formation is avoided by addition of sodium phosphate which forms non-adherent, removable, soft sludge of Ca^{+2} & Mg^{+2} phosphates which is removed by blow down operation.



The main phosphates are: NaH_2PO_4 acidic dihydrogen phosphate (acidic) and Na_2HPO_4 disodium hydrogen phosphate (weakly alkaline) Na_3PO_4 trisodium phosphate (alkaline)

III) Carbonate Conditioning:

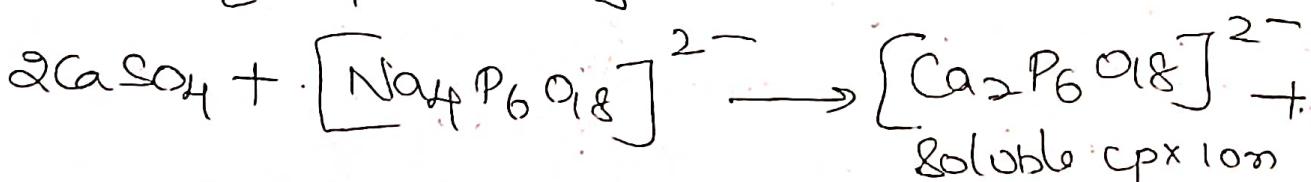
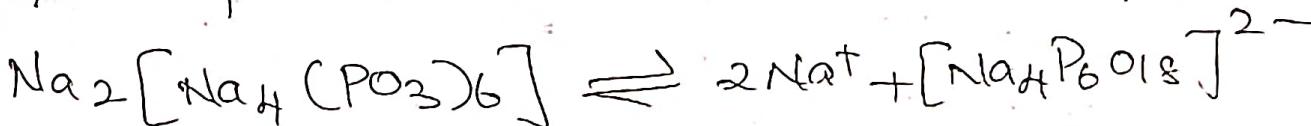
In large pre-boilers, scale formation can be avoided by adding Na_2CO_3



Consequently, deposition of CaSO_4 doesn't occur and Ca is precipitated as loose sludge of CaCO_3 (removed by blowdowns)

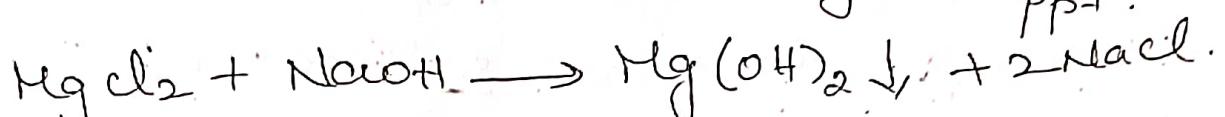
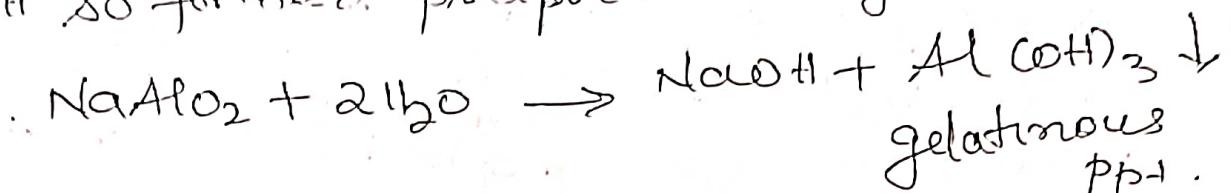
IV) Calgon Conditioning:

Addition of Calgon (sodium hexameta phosphate $(\text{NaPO}_3)_6$) to boiler H_2O prevent scale & sludge formation by forming soluble complex compound with CaSO_4 .



Treatment with sodium aluminate $[NaAlO_2]$

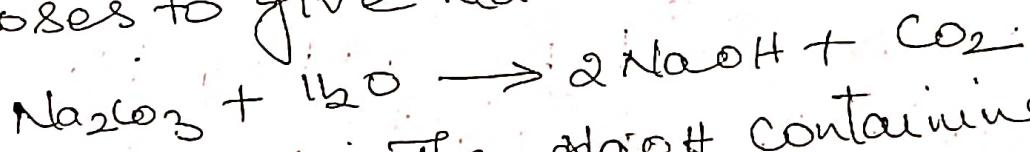
$NaAlO_2$ get hydrolysed to $NaOH$ and a gelatinous precipitate of aluminium hydroxide.
 $NaOH$ so formed precipitates $Mg(OH)_2$.



The flocculent precipitate of $Mg(OH)_2$ & $Al(OH)_3$ produced inside the boiler entraps suspended & colloidal impurities including oil drops & silica. This loose precipitate can be removed by blow down operation.

CAUSTIC EMBRITTLEMENT:

Caustic embrittlement is a boiler corrosion caused by highly alkaline lb^o in boiler. During softening process by lime soda process free Na_2CO_3 is present in small quantity in softened lb^o . In high pressure boilers, Na_2CO_3 decomposes to give $NaOH$ & CO_2 which makes



The boiler caustic: The $NaOH$ containing lb^o flows into minute hair cracks by capillary action. Here water evaporates and dissolved caustic soda concentration increases. This attacks the surrounding area thereby dissolving

Iron of boiler as sodium ferrate. This causes embrittlement of boiler parts like bends, joints, rivets etc.

Caustic embrittlement can be avoided by:

- 1) sodium phosphate as softening reagent instead of Na_2CO_3

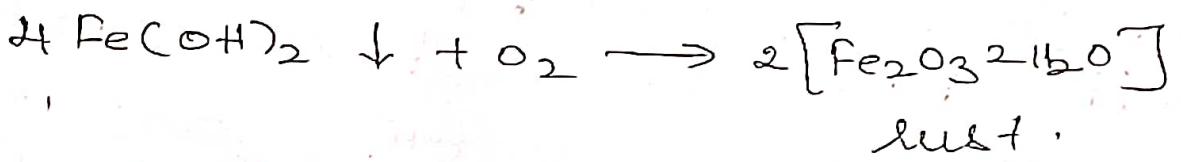
- 2) tannin or lignin to boiler H_2O as they blocks the hair cracks thereby preventing caustic soda.

Boiler Corrosion:

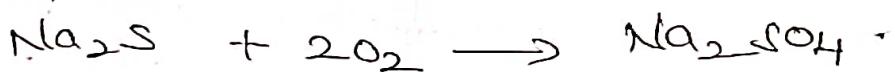
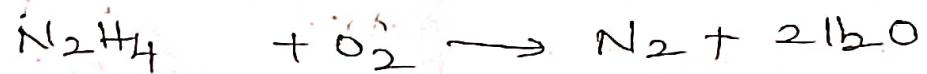
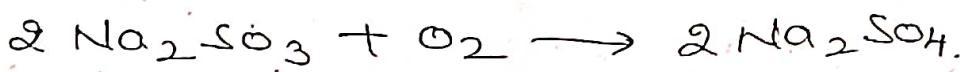
Boiler corrosion is decay of boiler material by chemical or electro-chemical attack by its environment. The main causes of Boiler Corrosion are:

1) Dissolved oxygen:

H_2O contains 8 ml of dissolved O_2 per litre at room temp. Dissolved oxygen in H_2O attack the boiler material at high temp.



This can be removed by adding Na_2SO_3 or N_2H_4 (hydrazine) or Na_2S :



Preparation of EDTA solution:

Dissolve 4g of pure EDTA crystals and 0.1g MgCl₂ in 1l distilled H₂O.

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Preparation of Indicator:

Dissolve 0.5 g of Eriochrome Black T in 100ml alcohol

Preparation of buffer soln:

Add 0.5 g of NH₄Cl to 570 ml of conc. NH₃ & dilute to 1l dist H₂O.

Standardization of EDTA solution:

Fill the burette with EDTA. Pipette out 50ml standard hard H₂O in Conical flask. Add 10ml buffer soln & 5 drops of indicator. Titrate against EDTA till wine red changes to blue. Let the volume be V₁ ml.

Titration of unknown hard H₂O:

Titrate 50ml H₂O sample and titrate against EDTA. The titre value be V₂ ml.

Titration of Permanent Hardness:

Take 250ml water sample in beaker, boil till the volume is reduced to 50ml. Filter, wash the precipitate with distilled H₂O and washings are made upto 250ml by dist H₂O. Titrate 50ml of this boiled H₂O sample and titrate against EDTA. Let the volume be V₃ ml.

$$50 \text{ ml of standard hard H}_2\text{O} = V_1 \text{ ml of EDTA}$$

$$50 \times 1 \text{ mg of CaCO}_3 = V_1 \text{ ml EDTA}$$

1 ml EDTA = $\frac{50}{V_1}$ mg of CaCO_3 eq

50 ml of sample hard H_2O = V_2 ml EDTA

$$= \frac{V_2 \times 50}{V_1} \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3$$

1 l (1000 ml) sample hard H_2O = $1000 \frac{V_2}{V_1}$ mg of CaCO_3

Total hardness = $1000 \frac{V_2}{V_1}$ ppm.

50 ml of boiled H_2O = V_3 ml EDTA

$$= \frac{V_3 \times 50}{V_1} \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq}$$

1000 ml of boiled H_2O = $1000 \frac{V_3}{V_1}$ mg of CaCO_3 eq

Permanent Hardness = $1000 \frac{V_3}{V_1}$ ppm

Temporary Hardness = Total - Permanent Hardness

$$= 1000 \left[\frac{V_2}{V_1} - \frac{V_3}{V_1} \right] \text{ ppm}$$

$$= 1000 \frac{(V_2 - V_3)}{V_1} \text{ ppm.}$$

Advantages:

The method has greater accuracy

Convenience & more rapid procedure

Waste Water Treatment:

Waste H_2O has number of impurities which it has picked up while being used. It is necessary to remove the impurities or to alter their nature as they cause serious pollution of H_2O resources. The waste H_2O are of two types: ① Sewage which includes human, animal & house hold wastes

soap solution and note volume as v_2 ml.

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Permanent Hardness:

Take 250 ml water sample in beaker. Boil till the volume is reduced to 50 ml. Filter, make up the filtrate to 250 ml by adding distilled. Titrate 50 ml of filtrate against soap solution. The titre value be v_3 ml.

Calculation:

50 ml of Ed. Hard $\text{H}_2\text{O} = (v_1 - v)$ ml of soap solution

50 ml of hard $\text{H}_2\text{O} = (v_2 - v)$ ml of "

$$= \frac{v_2 - v}{v_1 - v} \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq}$$

$\therefore 1\text{l (1000 ml) of hard } \text{H}_2\text{O} = \frac{v_2 - v}{v_1 - v} \times 1000 \text{ mg of } \text{CaCO}_3 \text{ eq}$

Total hardness = $\frac{v_2 - v}{v_1 - v} \times 1000 \text{ mg/l or ppm}$

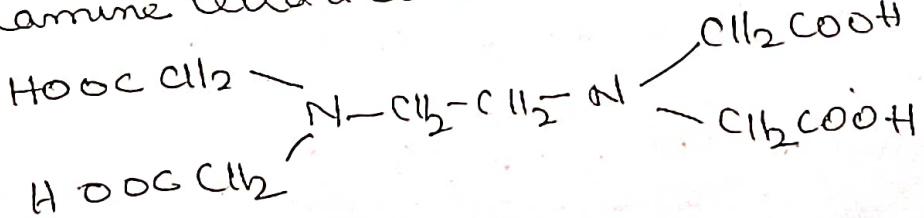
10 ml of boiled $\text{H}_2\text{O} = v_3 - v$ ml of soap soln

1 l of boiled $\text{H}_2\text{O} = \frac{v_3 - v}{v_1 - v} \times 1000 \text{ ppm}$

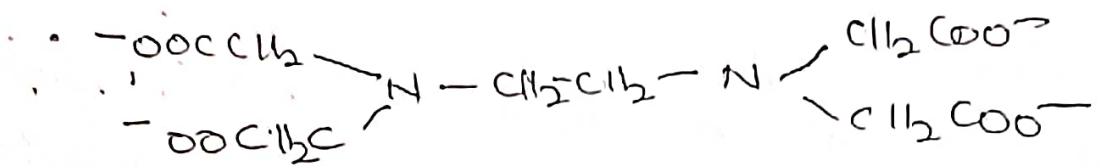
Temporary Hardness = Total - Permanent Hardness
 $= \frac{1000}{v_1 - v} [(v_2 - v) - (v_3 - v)] \text{ ppm}$
 $= 1000 \frac{(v_2 - v_3)}{(v_1 - v)} \text{ ppm}$

3) EDTA Method:

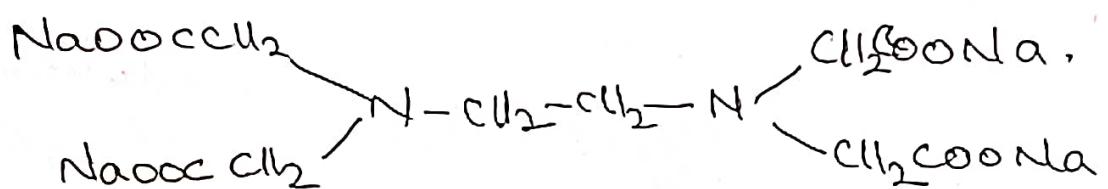
EDTA ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid is a complexone
tic method.



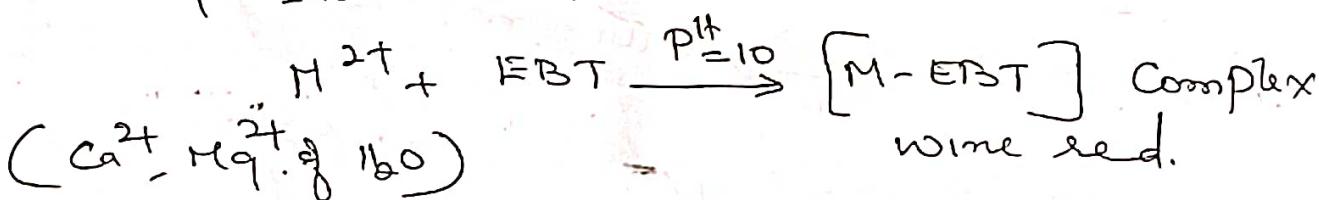
In. form of sodium salt, it yields anion:



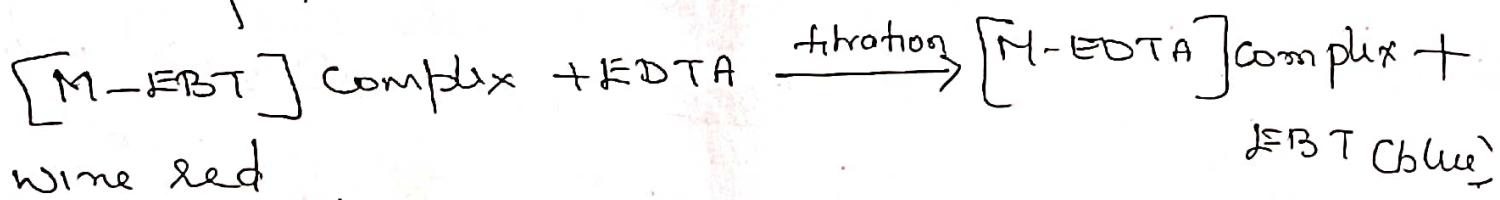
It forms complex with Ca & Mg ions. It can be employed as its disodium salt



The end pt is determined by EBT endochrome black T indicator which is an aqueous solution of blue dye which forms an unstable wine red complex with Ca^{2+} & Mg^{2+} ion in hard H_2O around $\text{pH}=10$. Thus,



During titration with EDTA, EDTA combines with M^{2+} ions forming stable complex of $[\text{M}-\text{EDTA}]$ by releasing free EBT (blue colour)



The change of wine red to blue is end point.

Preparation of standard Hard H_2O :

Dissolve 1g of pure dry CaCO_3 in minimum amt. of dil HCl, evaporate & dissolve the residue in 1l distilled H_2O .

Advantages of Zeolite Process:

- It removes hardness producing temporary hardness water.
- The equipment is compact occupying a small space.
- It requires less time for softening.

Disadvantages:

- The treated water contains more sodium salts than in lime soda process.
- This method replaces only Ca^{2+} & Mg^{2+} ion by Na^{+} ions but leaves alkaline ions in softened water. When such softened water containing NaHCO_3 , Na_2CO_3 is used in boilers, it causes corrosion.
- High turbid water can be softened as fine impurities get deposited on zeolite bed thereby creating problem for its working.

3) Ion Exchange or De-ionization or Demineralization

process:

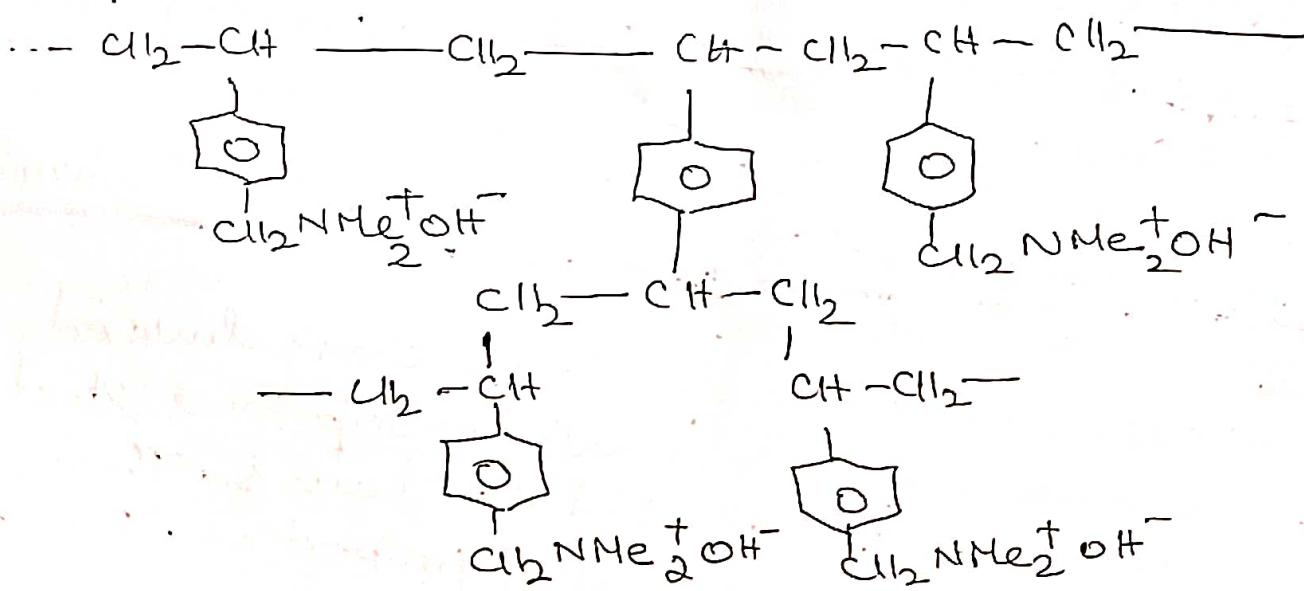
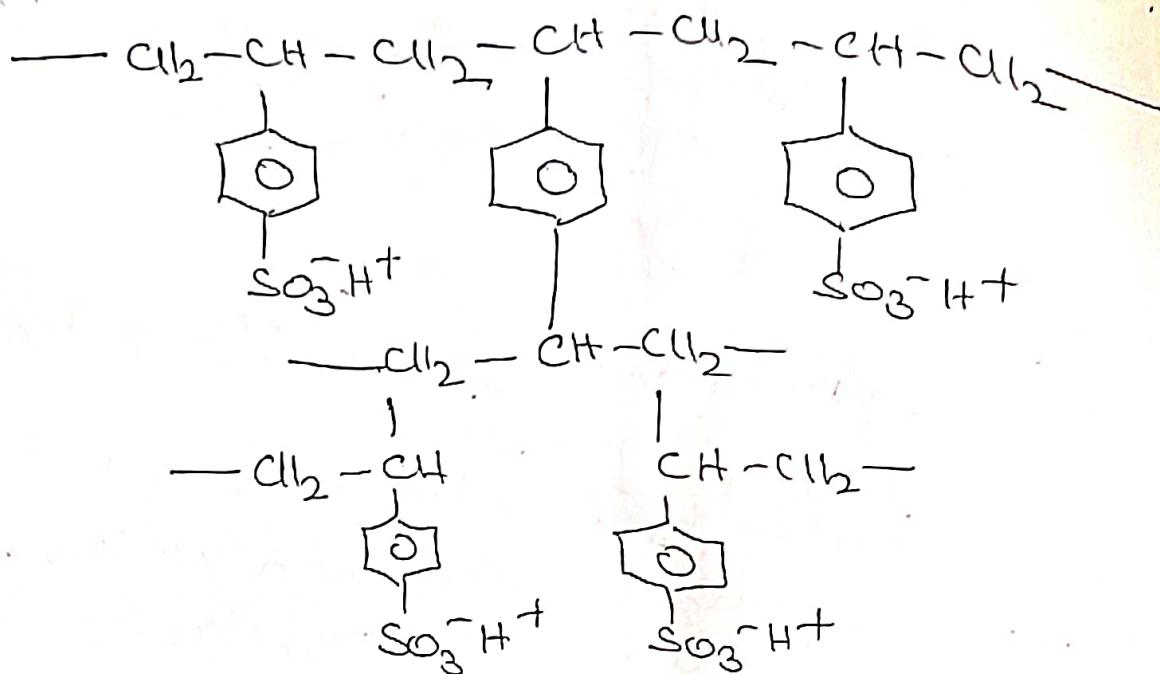
Ion exchange resins are insoluble cross linked long chain organic polymers with microporous structure with functional groups attached to chains. These are responsible for ion exchanging properties. They are classified as follows:

i) Cation exchange resins ($\text{R}^{\text{H}+}$) e.g. Styrene divinyl benzene copolymers on sulphonation or carbonylation become capable of exchanging their H^+ ions with cations in hard water.

ii) Anion exchange resins ($\text{R}'\text{O}^{\text{H}-}$)

iii) amine formaldehyde copolymers contain amino or quaternary ammonium/phosphonium groups:

When these are treated with NaOH, they
Capable of exchanging OH⁻ ion in water.

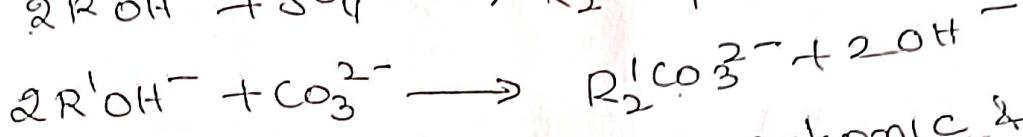
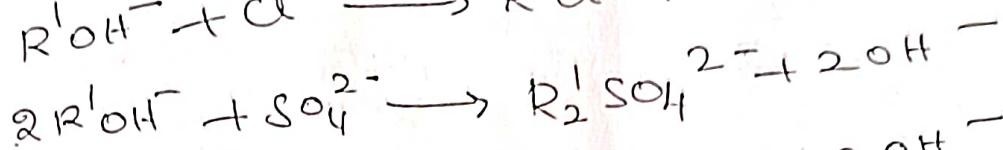
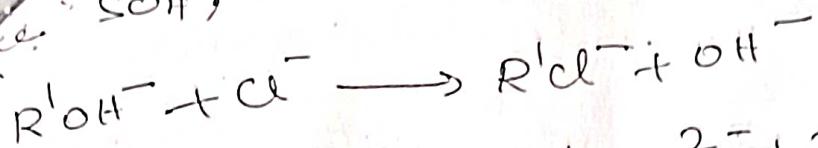


The hard BO is passed thro cation exchange column which removed cations like Ca²⁺ Mg²⁺ and equivalent amount of H⁺ ions are released from column to water.

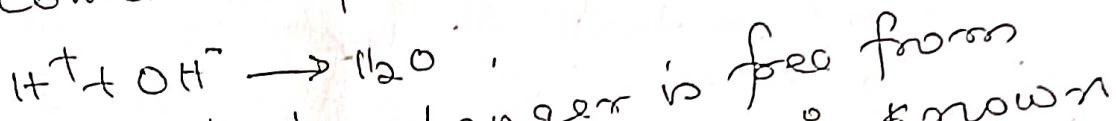


After this, the water is then passed thro anion

large column which removes all anions SO_4^{2-} , Cl^- and release OH^- ions.



H^+ & OH^- ions released from cationic & anionic resins get combine to produce H_2O .

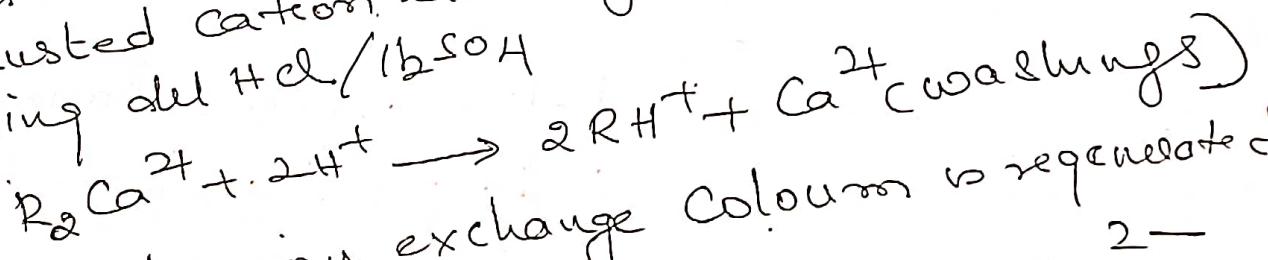


The water coming out of exchanger is free from cations & anions & is known as deionized or demineralised water.

Regeneration:

When capacities of cation & anion exchanger to exchange H^+ & OH^- ions respectively are lost, they are said to be exhausted.

The exhausted cation exchange column is regenerated by passing dil HCl / H_2SO_4



The exhausted anion exchange column is regenerated by dil NaOH . $\text{R}'_2\text{SO}_4^{2-} + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow 2\text{R}'\text{OH}^- + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$ washing

The washings are passed to sink / drain.

Advantages:

1. The process is used to soften acidic & alkaline H_2O .

2. It produces H_2O of very low hardness.

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Disadvantages :

1. Equipment is costly & expensive chemicals are needed.
2. If water is turbid their output is reduced.

DRINKING WATER or MUNICIPAL WATER:

Drinking water should be clear, odourless, cool & pleasant in taste. Its turbidity should not exceed 10 ppm and should be free from dissolved gases like H_2S and also from minerals like Pb , As , Cr , Mn salts. Its pH should be about 8.0 and it should be free from disease producing microorganisms.

Purification :

The following treatment process are employed for purification of drinking l_2O .

A) Removal of suspended impurities :

1) Screening :

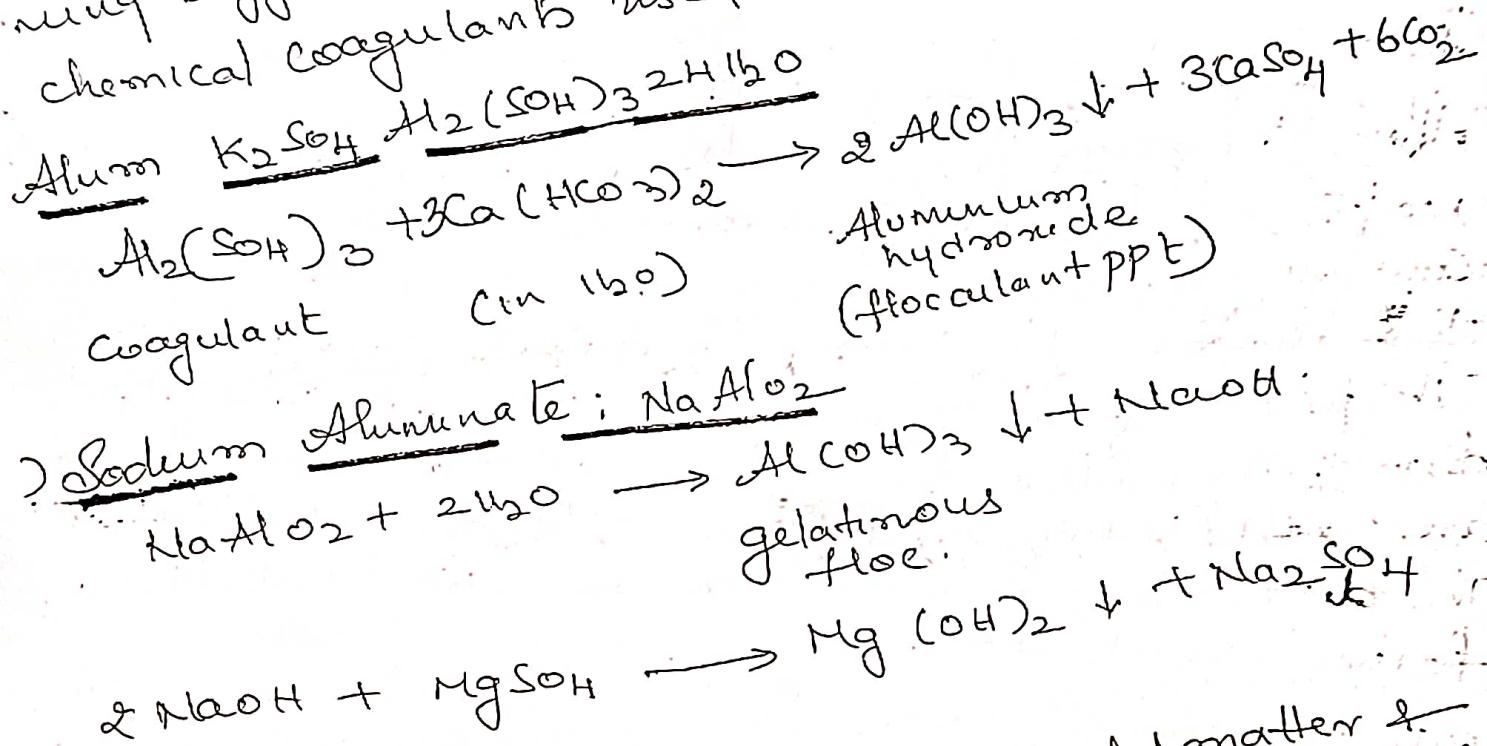
The raw l_2O is passed thru screens having large no. of holes, where floating matters are retained.

2) Sedimentation :

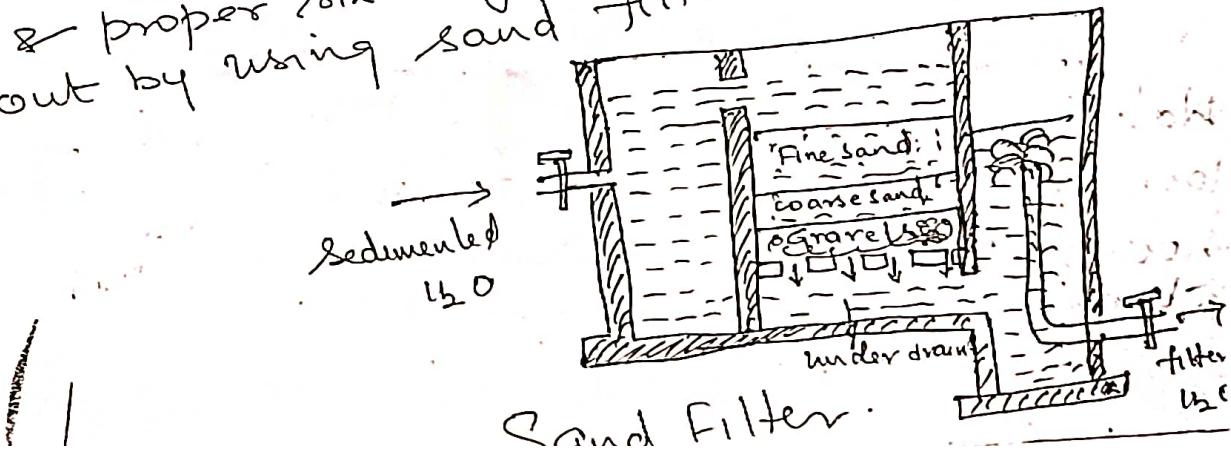
Sedimentation is the process of allowing water to stand undisturbed in big tanks, about 5m deep, when most of suspended particles settles down at the bottom, due to the force of gravity. The top clear l_2O is drawn out with pumps. The retention period in sedimentation tank ranges from 2-6 hrs.

H_2O contains fine clay particles & colloidal impurities, it is necessary to apply sedimentation & coagulation. Sedimentation with coagulation is the process of removing fine suspended & colloidal impurities by addition of chemicals to water before sedimentation. Coagulant forms an insoluble gelous, flocculant precipitate which adsorbs & entangles very fine suspended impurities forming bigger flocs which settle down easily.

chemical coagulants used are :



Filtration:
Filtration is the process of removing colloidal matter & most of microorganisms by passing H_2O thru bed of fine sand & proper sized granular materials. Filtration is carried out by using sand filter.



A sand filter consists of thick top layer of fine sand placed over coarse sand layer or gravels. It is provided with inlet for H_2O and underdrain channel at bottom for exit of filtered water. Sedimented H_2O entering the sand filter is distributed over sand bed. During filtration, sand pores get clogged due to retention of impurities in the pores. When the rate of filtration is slow, the working of filter is stopped & the top sand layer is scrapped off and replaced with clean sand.

B) Removal of Micro-Organisms:

After the process of sedimentation, coagulation & filtration, water still has some amount of pathogenic bacteria. Consequently, drinking water should be free from these disease producing bacteria.

The process of destroying the disease producing bacteria from H_2O is called disinfection and the chemicals which are used for killing bacteria are known as disinfectant. The disinfection of water can be carried out by following methods.

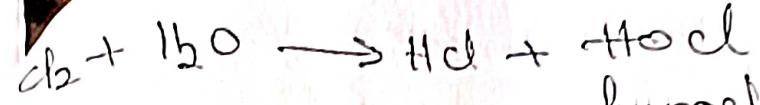
1) By Boiling:

By boiling H_2O for 10-15 mts so that all disease producing bacteria are killed.

2) By adding Bleaching Powder:

Water is mixed with 1kg of bleaching powder per 1000 kilolitres of H_2O and allowed to stand for several hours. The chemical action produces hypochlorous acid which is a powerful germicide.





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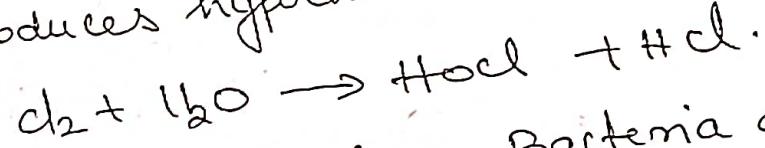
Germs + HOCl \rightarrow Germs are killed.
disinfecting action of bleaching powder is due
chlorine made available by it.

Disadvantages:

Bleaching powder introduces Ca in HO thereby making it more hard. Bleaching powder deteriorates due to its continuous decomposition during storage. So whenever it is to be added, it has to be analysed for its chlorine effect. Only calculated quantity is to be used as excess gives bad taste & bad smell.

3) By Chlorination:

Chlorine produces hypochlorous acid (powerful germicide)

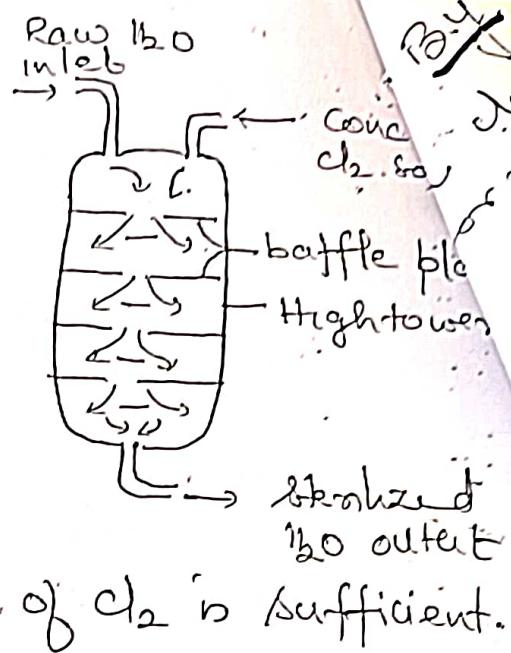


bacteria + HOCl \rightarrow Bacteria are killed.

This enzyme is essential for metabolic process of microorganism, death of microorganisms results due to inactivation of enzyme by hypochlorous acid, producing OCl^- (hypochlorite ions) which cannot combine with enzymes in cells of microorganisms. Thus chlorine is more effective disinfectant at low pH of below 6.5 than $HOCl$ is 80 times more destructive to bacteria than OCl^- ions.

Liquid chlorine is most effective when applied to filtered HO at such a point where adequate mixing is done. Chlorination is done by use of

chlorinator which is a high tower with no. of baffle plates. H_2O & proper quantity of Cl_2 solution is introduced at the top. During their passage thru tower, they get mixed thoroughly. The treated water is taken out from bottom. For filtered H_2O , about 0.3-0.5 ppm of Cl_2 is sufficient.

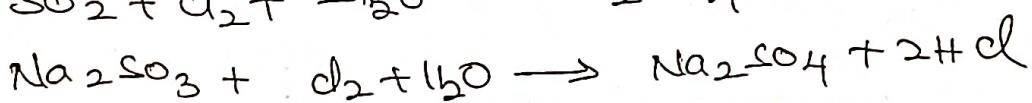


Break point chlorination or free residual chlorination:

Break pt. chlorination involves the addition of sufficient amount of chlorine to oxidize organic matter, reducing substance, free NH_3 in raw H_2O leaving behind free chlorine which posses disinfecting action against disease producing bacteria. This point indicates free residual Cl_2 to appear and all tastes, odour disappear at break point resulting in appearance of H_2O free from bad tastes & odours.

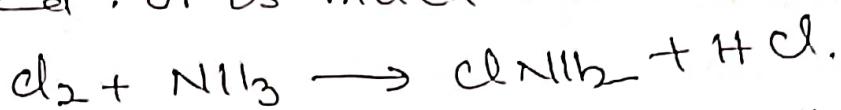
Dechlorination:

Overchlorination after the break point produces unpleasant taste & odour in H_2O . This excess chlorine can be removed by addition of SO_2 & Na_2SO_3 .



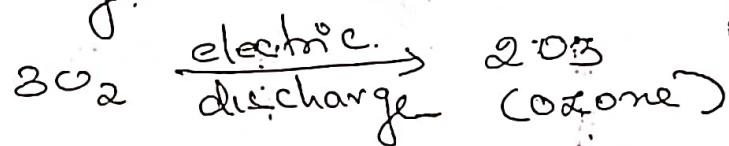
B.y using chloramine ClNl_2 :

When Cl_2 & Nl_3 are mixed in ratio 2:1, chloramine is formed. It is much more lasting than Cl_2 .

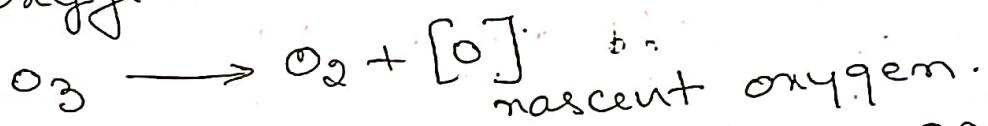


5) Disinfection by ozone:

Ozone is excellent disinfectant produced by passing electric discharge thru cold & dry O_2 .



Ozone is highly unstable & break down into nascent oxygen.



The nascent oxygen is powerful oxidizing agent & kills all bacteria & oxidizes organic or matter in H_2O .

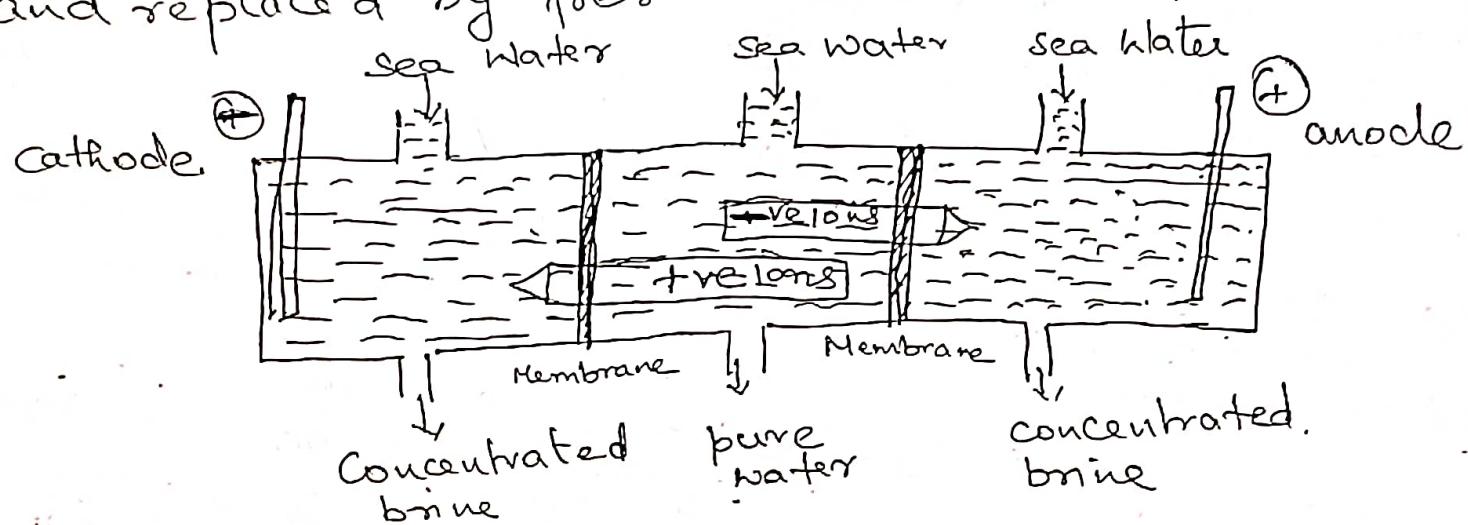
Desalination of Brackish water:

The process of removing common salt (NaCl) from salts with peculiar salty or brackish taste is called brackish water. Brackish water is unfit for drinking. The common methods for desalination are as follows:

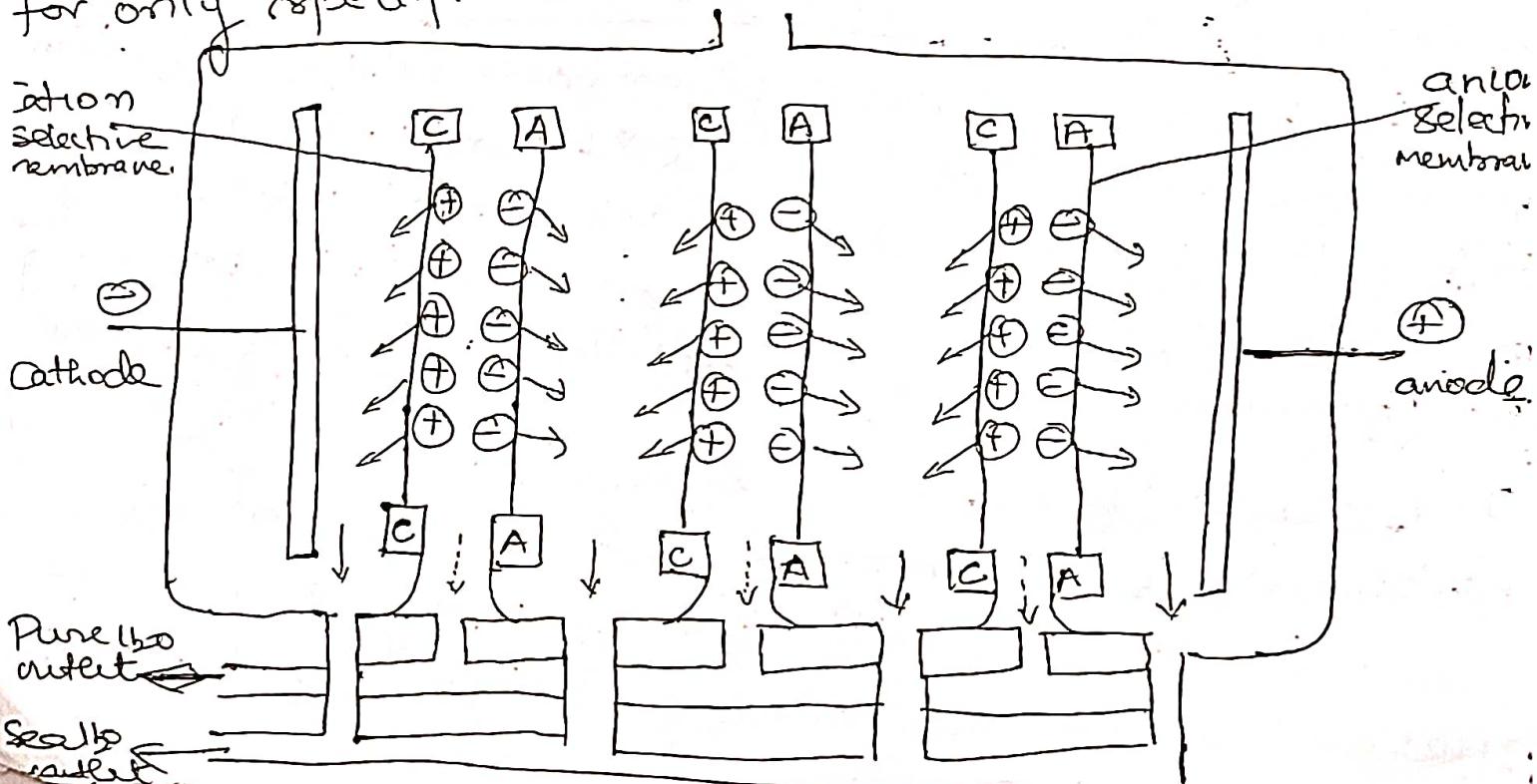
1. Electrodialysis:

Electrodialysis is a method in which the salt ions are pulled out of salt H_2O by passing direct current using electrodes and thin rigid plastic

membrane pair. When direct electric current is passed thru saline H_2O , Na^+ ions start moving towards Cathode & Cl^- ion towards anode; thus concn. of brine (NaCl) decreases in central compartment while it increases in other two sides. Pure H_2O is removed from central compartment while concentrated brine is removed from side compartments and replaced by fresh brine water.



For efficient separation, ion selective membranes are used. Ion selective membrane has permeability for only specific ions.



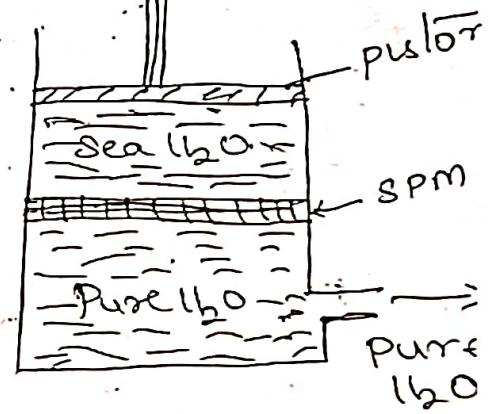
electrodialysis cell consists of large no. of sets of rigid plastic membranes. Saline water is passed under pressure of 5-6 kg/cm² between membranes pairs & electric field is applied perpendicular to the direction of H_2O flow. The ions move towards oppositely charged electrodes. Thus we get alternate streams of pure H_2O & concentrated brine.

a) Reverse Osmosis:

When two solutions of unequal concentrations are separated by semipermeable membrane, the flow of solvent takes place from dilute to concentrated region known as osmosis. The pressure required for osmosis is called osmotic pressure.

When a pressure excess of osmotic pressure is applied on concentrated region, the solvent flow moves from concentrated to dilute regions known as reverse osmosis. In reverse osmosis, the pure H_2O is separated from its contaminants rather than removing contaminants from H_2O . The membrane filtration is also called as superfiltration or hyperfiltration.

Reverse osmosis involves the separation by applying pressure to impure/sea H_2O to force its pure H_2O thru semipermeable membrane leaving behind the dissolved salts.



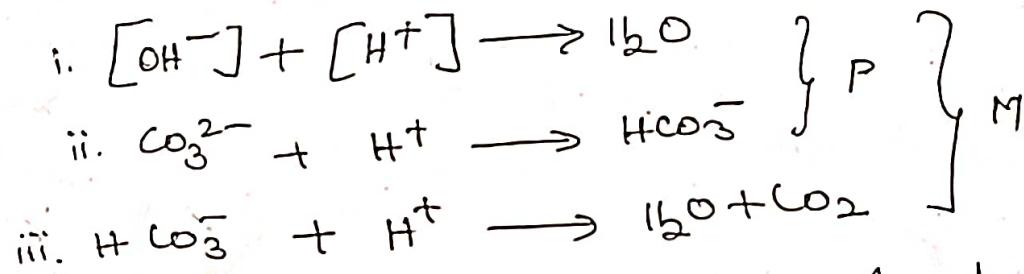
Advantages:

- 1) Reverse osmosis possess advantage of removing ionic & non ionic as well as high molecular weight organic matter.
- 2) It removes colloidal silica which is not removed by demineralization
- 3) The maintenance cost is only the replacement of semipermeable membrane.

Chemical analysis of water:

1) Alkalinity:

The alkalinity of H_2O is due to caustic alkaline of OH^- & CO_3^{2-} ions and temporary hardness of HCO_3^- ions. These can be estimated by titrating against acid using phenolphthalein & methyl orange as indicators



The titration of H_2O sample against a standard acid upto phenolphthalein end pt. marks completion of i & ii only. This amount of acid used corresponds to hydroxide plus one half of normal carbonate present

The titration of H_2O sample against sd. acid to methyl orange end pt. marks the completion of i, ii, iii. Hence the amount of acid used after the phenolphthalein end pt. corresponds to one half of normal carbonate