

Flocculator Model - Miramar WTP

Density and Viscosity Functions

$$\mu_{H_2O}(T) := 2.414 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s} \cdot 10^{\frac{247.8 \text{ K}}{T-140 \text{ K}}}$$

WaterDensityTable=

0	999.9
5	1000
10	999.7
20	998.2
30	995.7
40	992.2
50	988.1
60	983.2
70	977.8
80	971.8
90	965.3
100	958.4

$$\text{cubicspline}(xarray, yarray, x) := \text{interp}(\text{cspline}(xarray, yarray), xarray, yarray, x)$$

$$\rho_{H_2O}(T) := \text{cubicspline}\left(\text{WaterDensityTable}^{(0)}, \text{WaterDensityTable}^{(1)} \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}, \frac{T}{\text{K}} - 273.15\right)$$

$$\nu_{H_2O}(T) := \frac{\mu_{H_2O}(T)}{\rho_{H_2O}(T)}$$

Average Shear and Energy Dissipation Rate

$$T_{\text{design}} := \begin{pmatrix} 15 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \\ 25 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$G_{\text{Floc}} := \frac{50}{\text{s}} \quad \text{range of 20-70/s}$$

$$\theta_{\text{Floc}} := 30 \text{ min}$$

$$G\theta_{\text{Floc}} := G_{\text{Floc}} \cdot \theta_{\text{Floc}}$$

$$G\theta_{\text{Floc}} = 90000$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Avg}} := G_{\text{Floc}}^2 \cdot \nu_{H_2O}(T_{\text{design}})$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Avg}} = \begin{pmatrix} 2.8 \\ 2.2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{kg}}$$

Motor Power

$$Q_{\text{Basin56}} := 110 \text{ mgd}$$

$$P_{\text{FlocShaft}}(T) := G_{\text{Floc}} \cdot Q_{\text{Basin56}} \cdot G\theta_{\text{Floc}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\left(\nu_{\text{H2O}}(T) \cdot \rho_{\text{H2O}}(T) \right)}$$

$$P_{\text{FlocShaft}}(T_{\text{design}}) = \left(\frac{24.6}{19.3} \right) \cdot \text{kW}$$

The actual power of the motors in basin 5,6 is

$$\text{hp}_{\text{Basin56}} := (2 \cdot 7.5 \text{ hp} + 4 \cdot 5 \text{ hp}) \cdot 2 = 52 \cdot \text{kW}$$

Each basin has the same line of 6 stages and 6 motors

The design apparently assumed that only the first stage would be at 70/s

Maximum Energy Dissipation Rate at Propeller Tip

$$N_{\text{Paddle}} := 3.5 \cdot \frac{1}{\text{min}}$$

$$D_{\text{Paddle}} := 12 \text{ ft}$$

$$H_{\text{Propeller}} := 1.12 \text{ ft}$$

Paddle speed (measured);
paddle wheel diameter and
paddle board height
(scaled from record dwgs)

Plate ratio (from CFD data for baffled flocculators):

$$H_{\text{Plate}} := 100 \text{ cm} \quad V_{\text{Plate}} := 1 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \quad \epsilon_{\text{PlateMax}} := 0.043 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$\Pi_{\text{Plate}} := \frac{H_{\text{Plate}}^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{PlateMax}}^{\frac{1}{3}}}{V_{\text{Plate}}} = 0.4$$

$$V_{\text{Propeller}} := \pi \cdot D_{\text{Paddle}} \cdot N_{\text{Paddle}}$$

$$V_{\text{Propeller}} = 2.2 \cdot \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{PropellerTip}} := \frac{(\Pi_{\text{Plate}} \cdot V_{\text{Propeller}})^3}{H_{\text{Propeller}}} = 38 \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{PropellerTip}} = 37.9 \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$G_{\text{PropellerTip}} := \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{\text{PropellerTip}}}{\nu_{\text{H2O}}(T_{\text{design}_1})}} = 206.1 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$G_{\text{PropellerTip}} = 206.1 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\alpha_{\epsilon} := \frac{\epsilon_{\text{PropellerTip}}}{\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Avg}}}$$

$$\alpha_{\epsilon} = \left(\frac{13}{17} \right)$$

Pilot System Flocculator Configuration

$$D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} := 19.3 \text{ in}$$

$$H_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} := 4 \text{ in}$$

Paddle dimensions

$$A_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} := D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot H_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} = 77.2 \cdot \text{in}^2$$

$$W_{\text{Pilot}} := 22.5 \text{ in}$$

$$L_{\text{Pilot}} := 22.5 \text{ in}$$

Length and width of each floc basin

$$\text{Vol}_{\text{Pilot}} := 60.9 \text{ gal}$$

Water volume and depth

$$HW_{\text{Pilot}} := \frac{\text{Vol}_{\text{Pilot}}}{W_{\text{Pilot}} \cdot L_{\text{Pilot}}} = 27.8 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$C_D := 1.8$$

Approximate drag coefficient.
(*Mixing in Coag. and Floc.* p. 412)

Calculated Pilot Speed to Match Maximum Energy Dissipation Rate

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.JarTip}} = \frac{(\Pi_{\text{Plate}} \cdot V_{\text{Tip.Pilot}})^3}{H_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}}} = \frac{[\Pi_{\text{Plate}} \cdot (\pi \cdot D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot N_{\text{Floc.Pilot}})]^3}{H_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}}}$$

If we solve for an rpm that matches the energy dissipation rate of the full scale flocculator we get:

$$N_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Scaled}} := \frac{H_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}}^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{PropellerTip}}^{\frac{1}{3}}}{\pi \cdot D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot \Pi_{\text{Plate}}}$$

$$N_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Scaled}} = 17.4 \cdot \frac{1}{\text{min}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Scaled}} := \frac{C_D \cdot A_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}}}{\text{Vol}_{\text{Pilot}}} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot N_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Scaled}} \right)^3}{2} = 2.2 \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{kg}}$$

Average Pilot Test Energy Dissipation Rate

$$N_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} := 17.5 \frac{1}{\text{min}}$$

Pilot apparatus speed setting

$$V_{\text{Tip.Pilot}} := \pi \cdot D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot N_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} = 1.5 \cdot \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$$

$$V_{\text{Avg.Pilot}} := \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot N_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} \right) = 0.7 \cdot \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$$

For a single continuous paddle, the average velocity along the paddle is half the tip velocity.

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Tip}} := \frac{(\Pi_{\text{Plate}} \cdot V_{\text{Tip.Pilot}})^3}{H_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Tip}} = 38.4 \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{kg}}$$

Estimate power based on Reynolds and Richards (1996) eq. 8.16 or *Mixing in Coag. and Floc.* (1991) eq. 11-29.

$$P_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} := C_D \cdot A_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot \rho_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T_{\text{design}_1}) \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot D_{\text{Paddle.Pilot}} \cdot N_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} \right)^3}{2} = 506.3 \cdot \text{mW}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Avg}} := \frac{P_{\text{Floc.Pilot}}}{\text{Vol}_{\text{Pilot}} \cdot \rho_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T_{\text{design}_1})}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Avg}} = 2.2 \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$\alpha_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} := \frac{\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Tip}}}{\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Avg}}}$$

$$\alpha_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} = 17.4$$

Pilot Test Average Shear and $G\theta$

$$Q_{\text{Pilot}} := 2 \text{ gpm}$$

Pilot system flow rate

$$N_{\text{Basins.Pilot}} := 3$$

$$N_{\text{Basins.Pilot.Online}} := 1$$

Number of floc basins in the pilot system.

$$\theta_{\text{Pilot}} := \frac{N_{\text{Basins.Pilot.Online}} \cdot \text{Vol}_{\text{Pilot}}}{Q_{\text{Pilot}}}$$

$$\theta_{\text{Pilot}} = 30.5 \text{ min}$$

$$G_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} := \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{\text{Floc.Pilot.Avg}}}{\nu_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T_{\text{design}_1})}}$$

$$G_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} = 49.7 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$G\theta_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} := G_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} \cdot \theta_{\text{Pilot}}$$

$$G\theta_{\text{Floc.Pilot}} = 90740$$