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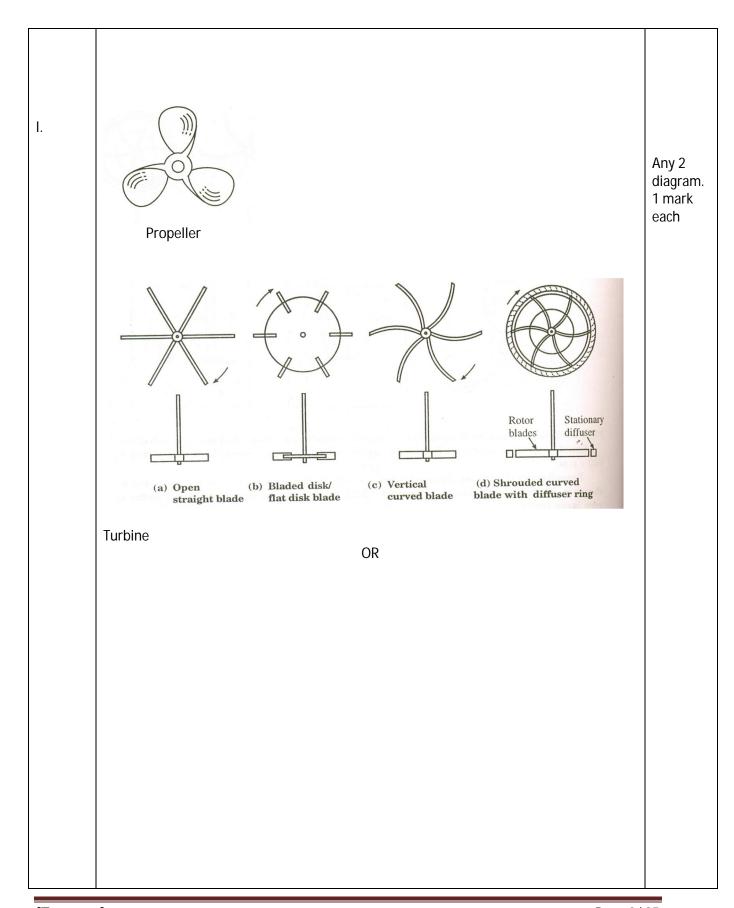
### WINTER-12 EXAMINATION

# Model Answer

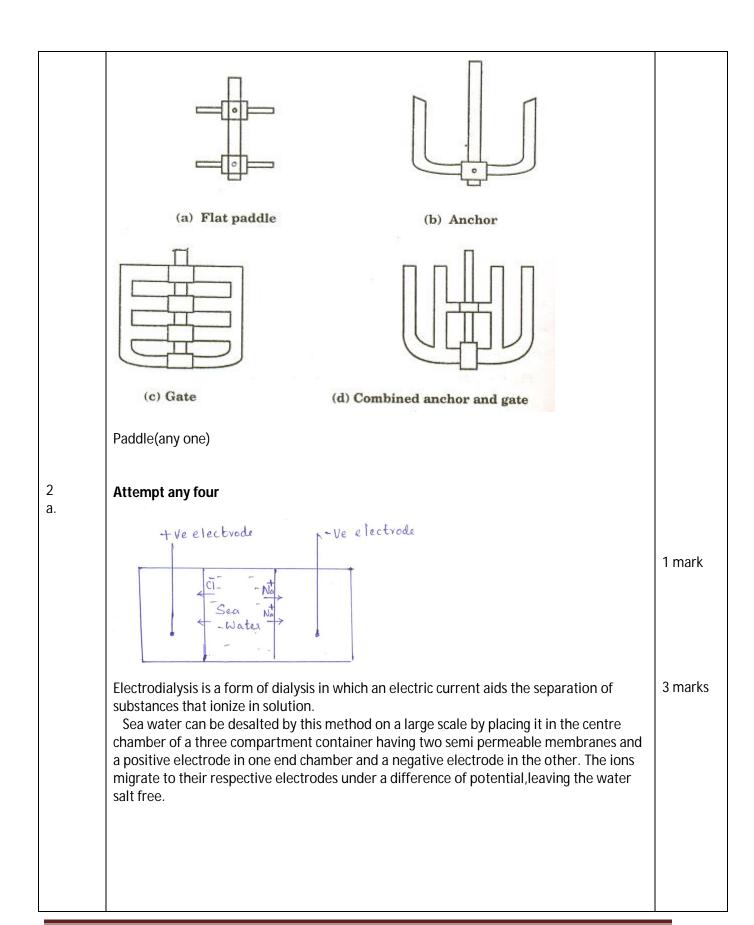
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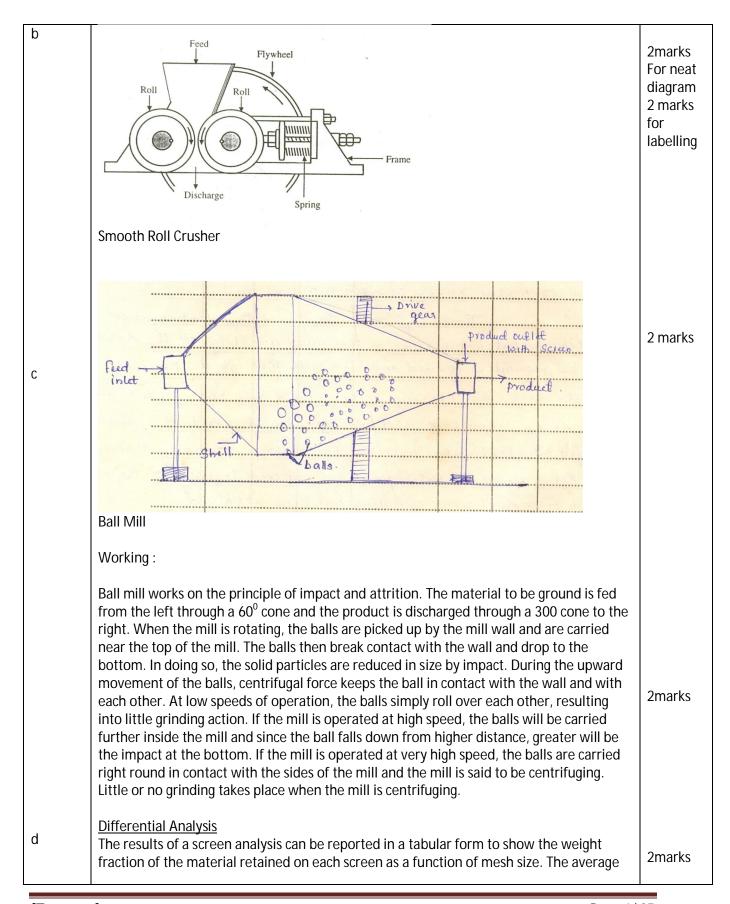
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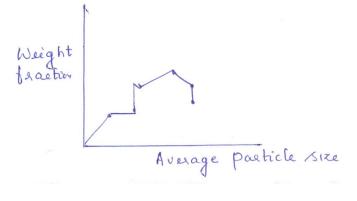


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particle size of the material retained on any particular screen is calculated as the arithmetic mean of two screen openings used to obtain the fraction.

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l	Mesh	Screen opening in	Average particle	Weight fraction
		microns	size	retained
	6			
	8			
	10			
	14			
	48			
	100			
	120			
	pan			

1mark



1 mark

OR

### Cumulative analysis

The cumulative analysis of fraction retained (oversize)is obtained by adding cumulatively, the individual weight fractions of material retained on each screen, starting with that retained on the largest mesh and tabulating or plotting the cumulative sums against the screen opening of the retaining screen.

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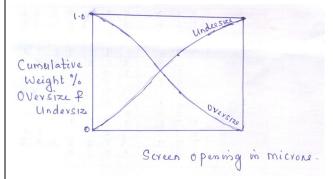
$$\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots \quad \theta_{NT} = \sum \theta_N$$
 $N=1$ 

Where  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$ .... are the weight fractions of material retained on screens 1,2,.....numbered serially from the top of the deck

The cumulative analysis is also reported for cumulative weight fraction passing through the screen(undersize)

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Mesh	Screen opening	Weight	Cumulative	Cumulative	
	in microns	fraction	weight fraction	weight fraction	
		retained	oversize	undersize	1mark
6		$\theta_1$	$\theta_1$	1- θ <sub>1</sub>	
8		$\theta_2$	$\theta_1 + \theta_2$	1-( $\theta_1 + \theta_2$ )	
10		$\theta_3$	$\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3$	1-( $\theta_1$ + $\theta_2$ + $\theta_3$	
14					
48					
100					
120					
pan		Θ <sub>NT</sub>	$\theta_1$ + $\theta_2$ + $\theta_3$ + $\Theta_{NT}$	0	



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f

1mark

Cyclone separators are used for separating solids from fluids using centrifugal force.

1mark

The feed enters the cyclone tangentially from the top. Tangential entry gives a spinning motion to the feed stream, whereupon the gas and the suspended particles are thrown towards the wall of the chamber. The particles continue to descend down in a spiraling path, while the gas, free of solids moves upward in the central cone. At high tangential velocity, the centrifugal acceleration is many times greater than the acceleration due to gravity which makes cyclone a more effective separating device. Separation becomes ineffective as the tangential velocity is not enough to overcome the centripetal force of the rotating fluid

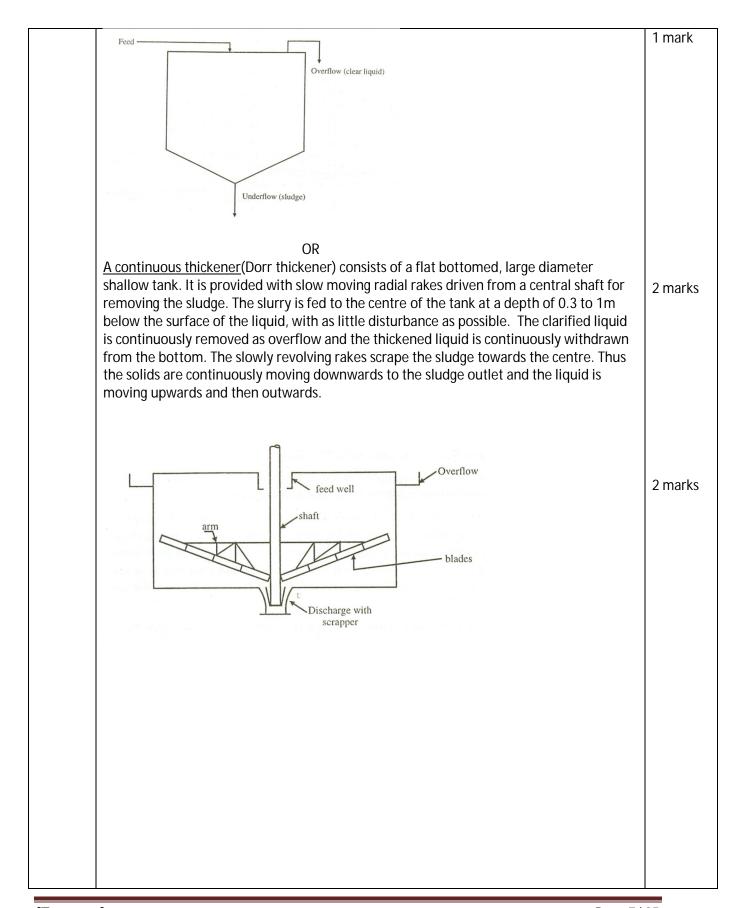
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Industrially the sedimentation operation is carried out batch wise or continuously in equipment called thickener.

3marks

A <u>batch thickener</u> usually consists of a cylindrical tank provided with inlet for feed slurry and outlet for product discharge. Bottom of the cylindrical tank is conical. The tank is filled with dilute slurry, and the slurry is allowed to settle. After sedimentation has proceeded for sufficient time, clear liquid is decanted and the thickened sludge is withdrawn from the bottom opening.

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### SUBJECT: MECHANICAL OPERATIONS(12028)

#### Q.3)a)Electrostatic precipitator/separator:

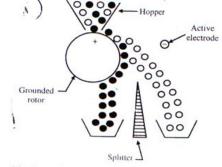
Principle: method of separation of solid particles, based on differential attraction /repulsion of charged particles under influence of electric field.

Construction: consists of rotating drum, a hopper for feed ,an active electrode & collecting bin. Working:1)charged/grounded solids are fed on drum from hopper.

2)conductive particles assume potential of drum ,opposite to that of active electrode, hence attracted towards active electrode.

3)non - conductive particles get repelled by electrode, attracted by drum, falls straight in collecting bin due to gravity.

Diagram:



# Electrostatic separator (separation by conductive

#### b)Rotary vacuum filter :

Description

3 marks

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used for continuous & large scale operations.

Filter drum is immersed in slurry ,vacuum applied to filter medium causes cake to deposit on outer surface of drum .drum is divided into segments ,each segment connected to rotating valve through which vacuum is applied & filtrate ,wash & air are removed.

Construction:1)rotating drum filter consists of a cylindrical sheet metal drum(dia.-50 to 400 cm,length -50 to 800cm)mounted horizontally.

2) outer surface of drum is formed of perforated plate.

3) filter medium(canvas cloth) covers drum which turns at 0.1 to 2 r/min in agitated slurry trough.

4) inside outer drom, a smaller drum with a solid surface.

5)annular space between 2 drums is divided into compartments by radial partitions& separate connection is made &rotating valve .

6)drum rotates ,vacuum &air are alternately applied to each compartment.

Diagram:

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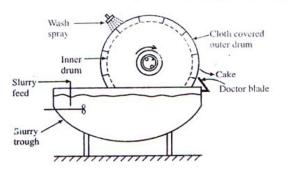
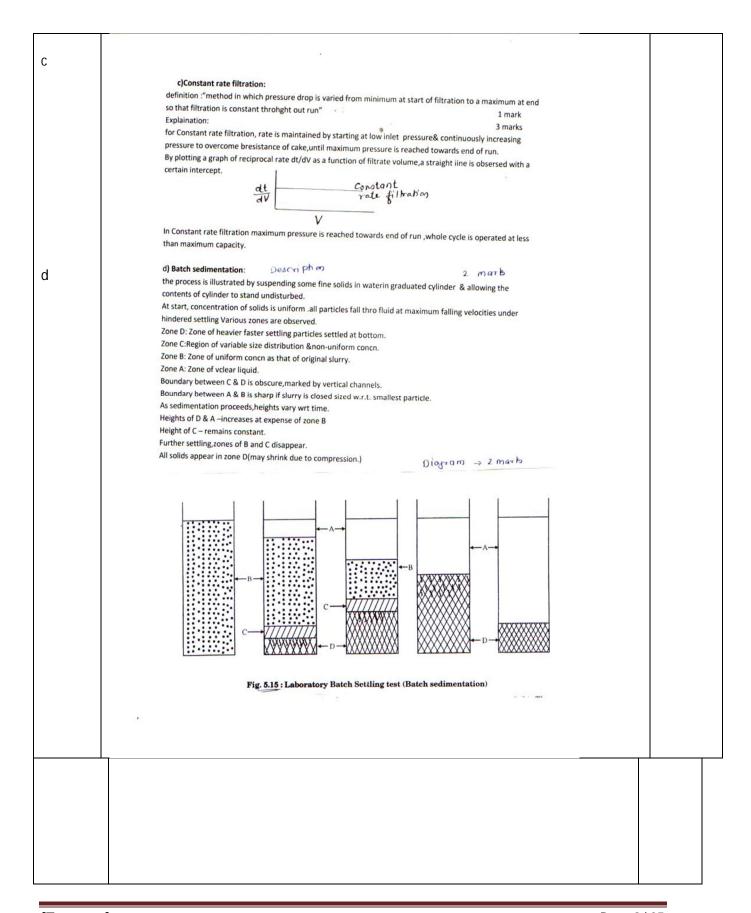
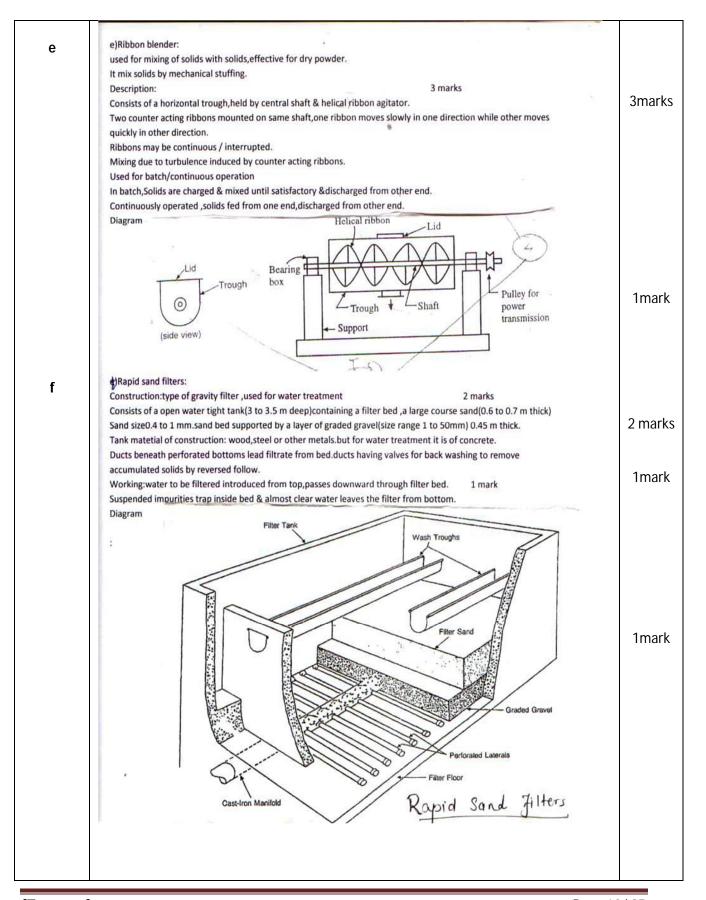


Fig. 5.9: Rotary drum filter

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Q.4)

a)Power consumption in mixing :-

Power requirement of impeller to rotate at a given speed.

It is function of geometrical details of impeller , vessel, viscosity and density of fluid and rotation speed of impeller

 $P/(N^3Da^5p) = F((NDa^2p/\mu),(N^2Da/p))$ 

 $Np = F(N_{Re}, N_{Fr})$ 

Mixing index:- It is the measure of degree of uniformity of a mixed product it gives relative measure of mixing

Ip = 
$$((N-1)x \mu (1-\mu) / (\sum_{i=1}^{N} Vi^2 - V\sum_{i=1}^{N} Vi))$$

Ip = Mixing Index

N= No. of spot samples

 $\mu$  = overall average fraction of tracer in the mix

Vi= fraction of tracer

V= Average value of measured concentration

Sample No.	Vi
1	0.1024
2	0.0930
3	0.0794
4	0.1024
5	0.1108
6	0.1003
7	0.1191
8	0.0972
9	0.0920
10	0.1076
11	0.1097
12	0.1015
	∑Vi = 1.2194

$$\overline{V} = \sum Vi/N$$

V= 1.2194/12

V = 0.10167

 $\Sigma Vi^2 = 0.1251028$ 

 $\mathsf{Ip}^2 = (12\text{-}1)\mathsf{x}0.1\mathsf{x}(1\text{-}0.1)/(0.1251028\text{-}(0.101617\mathsf{x}1.2154))$ 

lp= 28.8

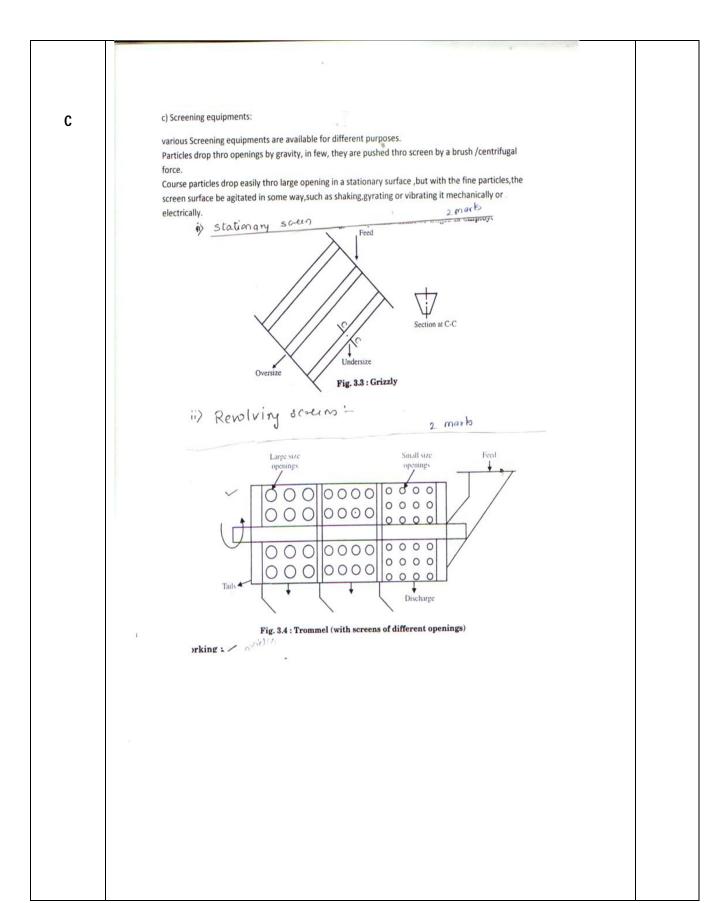
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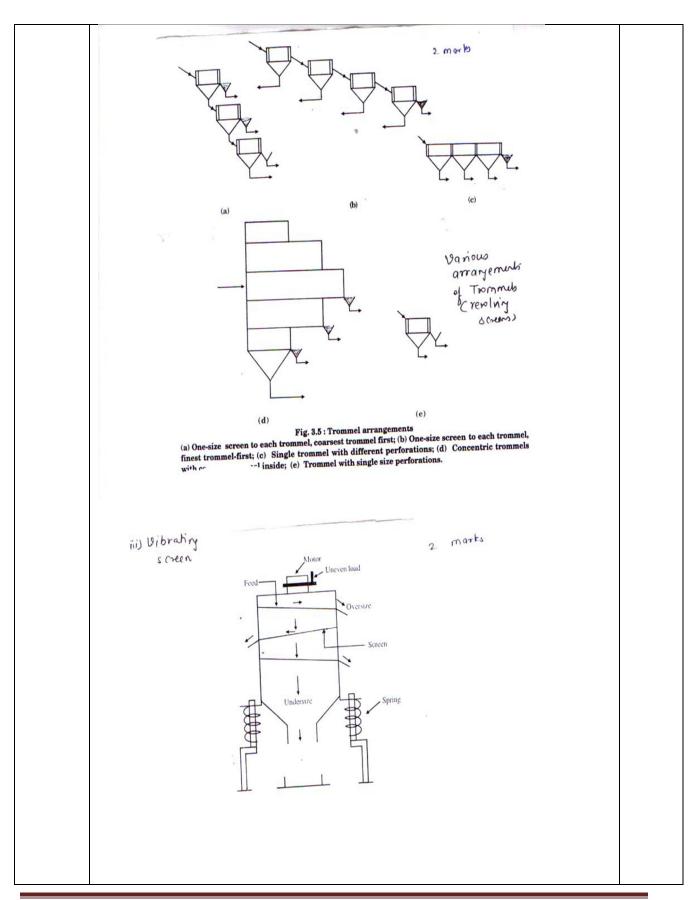
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b	(b) Rake Classifiers	
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	Classification:- Seperation of materials into two or more fractions, depending upon rates of flow through flu	luid
	Construction 3 marks	3marks
	<ol> <li>Consist of a settling rectangular tank, bottom inclined, with movable rakes</li> </ol>	
	Feed enters continuously through a feed launder     Lower or fine discharge end provided with overflow lip	
	Courser sinks to bottom where the rakes gently move it towards upper end	
	5. Upper end of tank is open	
	Working 3 marks	
	<ol> <li>At beginning of stroke rakes drop to bottom and slowly drawn to upper end</li> </ol>	
	2. After movement rakes are lifted clear of the floor move parallel to bottom towards discharge en	and 3 mark
	<ol> <li>After completion of this part of their travel rakes are drop and cycle is repeated</li> <li>Movement of rakes stirs up solids, the heavier particles collected at bottom</li> </ol>	
	Fine particles thrown above the rakes and travel in suspension toward the discharge end	
	Diagram 2 marks	
	Feed	
	Coarse solid (sand product)	2 mark
	Overflow (sand product)	2 111011
	Overflow	
	product (fine solid + liquid)	
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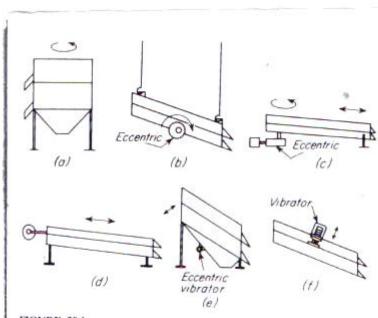
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### FIGURE 30.1

Motions of screens: (a) gyrations in horizontal plane; (b) gyrations in vertical plane; (c) gyrations at one end, shaking at other; (c) shaking; (e) mechanically vibrated; (f) electrically vibrated.

### Attempt anyFour of the following

### Plate and Frame Filter:

### • Diagram:

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a

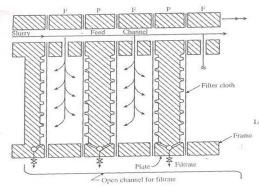


Fig. 5.4 : Plate and frame filter press (sectional view)

#### • Construction:

- 1.It consist of plates and frames arranged alternately and supported on a pair of rails.
- 2. The plate is a solid piece having a ribbed surface.
- 3. The frame is hollow and provides the space for the filter cake.
- 4. The plates and frames are square or rectangular in shape and can be made of cast iron, stainless steel, nickel etc.
- 5. Filter cloths are placed over each plate to cover the plate surface on both sides so

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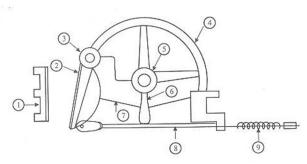
that hollow frame is separated from the plate by the filter cloth.

- 6. The plates and frames have circular holes on the corners for feed and discharge.
- 7. When the press is closed a continuous channel is formed along the whole length.
- **8.** At the bottom of the plate holes are cored which connect the face of the plates to the outlet.

#### • Working:

- 1. Slurry to be filtered is pumped through the feed channel ,it runs into chamber formed and fills chamber completely.
- 2.As feed pump continues to supply slurry to be filtered ,the pressure goes on increasing.
- 3. Because of this, the filtrate passes through the filter cloth ,run down the faces of plates and finally leaves the filter through discharge.
- 4. The solid are deposited on the filter cloth.
- 5. The two cakes are formed simultaneously in each chamber and these join when frame is full.
- **6.** The press is then dismantled and cake of solid scrapped off from each plate.

# (b) Diagram of Blake Jaw Crusher:



(1) Fixed jaw, (2) Movable jaw, (3) Shaft, (4) Fly wheel, (5) Eccentric, (6) Pitman, (7) Toggle, (8) Tie rod, (9) Spring

# Factor affecting Performance of Screen:

(C)

- Method of Feeding: In order to obtain maximum capacity and efficiency the screening equipment must be feed properly. The material should be spread evenly over the full width of the screening surface. It must be feed at as low a practical velocity as is possible.
- 2. Screening Surfaces: Uses of single-deck screens in series results into most efficient as in case of multiple-deck screens lower decks are not feed so that their entire area is not use.
- 3. Screen Slope : As screen slope increases, the rate of material travels over the screening surfaces increases, means increasing tonnage passing over the screen per unit time. However the slope cannot be increased beyond a certain value because material will travel down the screen much faster without getting screened.
- **4. Vibration amplitude and Frequency:** One has to select proper amplitude of vibration to prevent blinding of the screen and for long bearing life .The frequency

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01 mark for labeling

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	of vibration affects the capacity of screening equipment by regulating number of impact between the material and the screening surface.  5. Moisture in Feed: The moisture associated with the feed material adversely affects the screening operation and should be removed.	
(d)	Pug Mill: Pug mill are widely used for blending and homogenizing clay, mixing liquids with solid to form thick slurries	01mark
	• Diagram:	
	ELEVATION	01 mark
	<ul> <li>Construction:</li> <li>1. A pug mill consists of a horizontal open trough or closed cylinder.</li> <li>2. One or two rotating shafts fitted with short heavy paddles or inclined blades are incorporated in the trough or cylinder.</li> <li>3. The rotating shafts are parallel to the trough length and are situated near the bottom.</li> <li>4. The paddles may or not intermesh and clearances are wide so that there is a considerable mass mixing.</li> <li>5. The mill may be jacketed for heating or cooling</li> </ul>	01 mark
	<ul> <li>Working:</li> <li>1 The unmixed or partially mixed ingredients are continuously feed at one end of the mixing chamber and the product is discharged from the other end.</li> <li>2 In mixing chamber, the ingredients are cut, mixed and moved forwarded to be acted upon by each successive blade.</li> <li>3 The product may be discharged through one or two open ports or through extrusion nozzles which give roughly shaped ,continuous strip</li> </ul>	1 mark

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Question No.	Answers	Marks
(e)	Gravity Thickener: Sedimentation operation carried out batch wise or continuously in equipment called Gravity thickener  • Diagram:	
	Overflow (clear liquid)  Underflow (sludge)	02 mark
	<ol> <li>It consists of relatively shallow tank from the top of which clear liquid is taken off and thickened liquid is withdrawn from bottom.</li> <li>In majority cases, the concentration of suspension is high and hindered settling takesplace. the rate of sedimentation can be artificially increased.</li> <li>A batch thickener usually consists of a cylindrical tank provided with openings for a slurry feed and product discharge.</li> <li>The bottom of tank is conical.</li> <li>The tank is filled with dilute slurry and slurry is allowed to settle.</li> <li>After the sedimentation has proceeded for an adequate time, clear liquid is decanted until sludge appears in the draw-off and thickened liquid is withdrawn from the bottom opening.</li> </ol>	02 marks

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Question No.	Answers	Marks
<b>(f)</b>	Factor affecting rate of Filtration: The rate of filtration depends upon the following factors  1. Pressure drop across the feed inlet and far side of the filter medium.  2. Area of the filtering surfaces.  3. Viscosity of the filtrate.  4. Resistance of the filter medium and initial layers of cake.  5. Resistance of the filter cake.	01 mark each
Q.N. 06	Attempt any Four of the following	
(a)	Froth Floatation: Floatation refers to an operation in which one solid is separated from another by floating one of them at or on the liquid surfaces. Separation of a mixture of solids using Froth flotation methods depends on the difference in surface properties of the materials involved.	01 mark
	Froth Floatation Cell:  • Diagram:	
	Overflow  Ceil  Fig. 4.9: Froth flotation cell (Lab. model)	01 mark
	<ul> <li>Construction:</li> <li>1. The mechanically agitated cell consists of a tank having square or circular cross-section.</li> <li>2. It is provided with an agitator which violently agitates the pulp.</li> <li>3. The air from a compressor is introduced into the system through a downpipe surrounding the impeller shaft.</li> <li>4. The bottom of the tank is conical and is provided with a discharge for tailing.</li> <li>5. An overflow is provided at the top for mineralized froth removal.</li> </ul>	01 mark

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Question No.	Answers	Marks
	<ul> <li>Working:</li> <li>1. Water is taken into the cell; material is feed to the cell.</li> <li>2. The promoters and frothers are added.</li> <li>3. Agitations are given and air is bubbled in the form of fine bubbles.</li> <li>4. Air-avid particles due to reduction in their effective density, will rise to the surface and be held in the froth before they are discharged from the overflow</li> <li>5. Hydrophilic particles will sink to the bottom and removed from the discharge for tailing</li> </ul>	01 mark
(b)	Selection of Crushing Rolls:  In selecting the rolls for a certain duty, it is necessary to know the size of the feed and the size of the product  Consider a system as shown in figure	01mark
	Wherein spherical particle B of a material is just being caught between the rolls.  The vertical components of forces T and N are opposed. Force Nsin $\alpha$ tends to expel the particle from the rolls and forceTsin $\alpha$ tends to draw the particle between the rolls. If the particle is to be drawn between the rolls and crushed,  Tsin $\alpha \ge N$ sin $\alpha$ T and N are related through,  T= $\mu N$	02marks
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Question No.	Answers	Marks
	Let R be the radius of the feed particle, r the radius of the roll and 2d the distance between the rolls. Then in triangle ABG, the angle BAG is $\alpha$ ,AG is r+d and AB is r+R.Then ,from the simple geometry of figure	
	r+d cos α = r+R	
	Where, α=angle of nip=0.961	
	Critical Speed of Ball mill:  If the mill is operated at very high speed, the balls are carried right round in contact with the sides of mill and the mill is said to be centrifuging. The minimum speed at which centrifuging occurs is called the critical speed of the mill	01mark
(C)	Trommels: Trommels are revolving screens consisting of cylindrical frame surrounded by wire cloth used for size separation. Trommel is mechanically operated screen consisting of a slowly rotating perforated cylinder with its axis at a slight angle to the horizontal	01mark

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Trommel Arrangements:	Question No.
Fig. a) For separation of a given material into several size fractions, several trommelsare operated in series. The first trammel of a series may have the coarsest perforations so that it produces the coarsest finished product which is delivered to the next trammel and so on.  Fig.b) When the first trommel of the series has the smallest perforations, the oversize material passes to the next trammel and so on In such a case, it is most convenient to put the screens in line, end to end.	

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No.	Fig d) Several concentric cylinder. The innermost is the longest and has coarsest perforations. The outer ones are successively shorter and have finer perforations. In this arrangement ,maximum load is given to the strongest screen but the construction is complicated and expensive.  Trommel Use:  1.It is used for relatively coarser material(1/2 inch or over) 2. It can be used for finer separations also provided the screen is covererd with fine wire or cloth	01 marks
(d)	i) Decantation:  Decantation involves the separation of two immiscible liquids of differing densities from one another. Basically the difference between densities of two immiscible liquids is responsible for such a separation. Decanters utilize either gravitational force or centrifugal force to effect the separation.  ii)Filtration:  Filtration is the operation of separating a solid from a liquid by means of a porous membrane. The porous membrane is usually a wire or fabric cloth. The separation is achieved by forcing the slurry feed through the porous medium. Solid particles are trapped within the pores of the membrane and build up as a layer on the surface of the membrane. The pressure difference set up across the membrane causes the flow of liquid through it.  iii) Settling:  In these method separation methods, the solid particles are separated from the liquid by gravitational forces acting on solid particles of various sizes and densities. Settling is used for removal of solid from liquid sewage wastes, settling of crystals from mother liquor.  iv) Screening:  Screening refers to the separation of solid materials on the basis of size alone. A mixture of solid particles of various sizes is feed onto a screening surface of known openings. Some of material passes through the screen openings while the other remains on the screen. Thus, a single screen gives two fractions which are more uniform in original material.	01 marks each

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(e)			
	Types of Mixer	Applications	
	Double-Arm	1) It is good for heavy plastic materials	
	kneader	2) It use to disperse powder or liquids	
		into plastic or to rubbery masses.(any 01	
		point)	
	Banbury Mixer	It is used mainly in plastic and rubber industries	
	Muller Mixer	1) It used to crush the material, breaking	01 mark each
		down lumps and agglomerates	
		2) It is used for handling batches of heavy	
		solids and pastes	
		3) It is used for uniform coating the	
		particles of granular solids with a small	
		amount of liquid (any 01 point)	
	Ribben Blenders	1) It is used for thin pastes and for	
		powders that do not flow readily	
<b>(f)</b>	Centrifuge: Centrifuge is slurry with the help of ce  • Diagram:  Adjustable unloader knife	Motor shaft Feed slurry  Perforated basket	01 mark 02 marks
	Removable valve plate	Casing  Casing  Filtrate  Solid discharge  12. Tan expended basket centrifugal	

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Question No.	Answers	Marks
	<ul> <li>Construction:</li> <li>1) It consists of a basket with perforated sides.</li> <li>2) The diameter of basket ranges from 750 to 1200 mm and depth from 450to 750 mm.</li> <li>3) The basket rotates at speeds between 600to 1800 r.p.m.</li> <li>4) The basket Is held at lower end of a free swininging vertical shaft. Which is driven by electric motor.</li> <li>5) A filter medium is placed around the inside surface of the basket.</li> <li>6) The basket or other parts may be constructed of mild steel or Monelmetal.</li> </ul>	01 marks
	<ul> <li>Working:</li> <li>1) Slurry to be filtered is feed to the rotating basket through an inlet pipe.</li> <li>2) It is forced against the basket sides by centrifugal force.</li> <li>3) The liquid passes the filter medium into the casing and out discharge pipe.</li> <li>4) The solid phase forms a filter cake against the filter medium.</li> <li>5) The cake is washed by spraying wash liquid to remove the soluble material.</li> <li>6) It leaves the centrifuge through the discharge pipe.</li> </ul>	

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