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List of 15 Design of an Aerobic Digester Formulas

Design of an Aerobic Digester

1) Density of Air given Volume of Air Required

$$\text{fx } \rho = \frac{W_{O_2}}{V_{\text{air}} \cdot 0.232}$$

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$$\text{ex } 7183.908\text{kg/m}^3 = \frac{5\text{kg}}{0.003\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.232}$$

2) Density of Water given Volume of Digested Sludge

$$\text{fx } \rho_{\text{water}} = \frac{W_s}{V_s \cdot G_s \cdot \%S}$$

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$$\text{ex } 1000\text{kg/m}^3 = \frac{20\text{kg}}{10.0\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.01 \cdot 0.20}$$

3) Digester Total Suspended Solids given Volume of Aerobic Digester

$$\text{fx } X = \frac{Q_i \cdot X_i}{V_{\text{ad}} \cdot (K_d \cdot P_v + \theta)}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.014468\text{mg/L} = \frac{5.0\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 5000.2\text{mg/L}}{10\text{m}^3 \cdot (0.05\text{d}^{-1} \cdot 0.5 + 2.0\text{d})}$$



4) Initial Weight of Oxygen given Weight of Oxygen Required 

$$\text{fx } W_i = \frac{W_{O_2} \cdot VSS_w}{VSS \cdot 2.3}$$

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$$\text{ex } 3.84058\text{kg} = \frac{5\text{kg} \cdot 5.3\text{kg/d}}{3\text{kg/d} \cdot 2.3}$$

5) Percent Solids given Volume of Digested Sludge 

$$\text{fx } \%S = \frac{W_s}{V_s \cdot \rho_{\text{water}} \cdot G_s}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.2 = \frac{20\text{kg}}{10.0\text{m}^3 \cdot 1000\text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 0.01}$$

6) Solids Retention Time given Volume of Aerobic Digester 

$$\text{fx } \theta = \left(\frac{Q_i \cdot X_i}{V_{\text{ad}} \cdot X} - (K_d \cdot P_v) \right)$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 2.066882\text{d} = \left(\frac{5.0\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 5000.2\text{mg/L}}{10\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.014\text{mg/L}} - (0.05\text{d}^{-1} \cdot 0.5) \right)$$



7) Specific Gravity of Digested Sludge given Volume of Digested Sludge



$$fx \quad G_s = \frac{W_s}{\rho_{\text{water}} \cdot V_s \cdot \%S}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 0.01 = \frac{20\text{kg}}{1000\text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 10.0\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.20}$$

8) Volume of Aerobic Digester

$$fx \quad V_{\text{ad}} = \frac{Q_i \cdot X_i}{X \cdot ((K_d \cdot P_v) + \theta)}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 10.33441\text{m}^3 = \frac{5.0\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 5000.2\text{mg/L}}{0.014\text{mg/L} \cdot ((0.05\text{d}^{-1} \cdot 0.5) + 2.0\text{d})}$$

9) Volume of Air Required at Standard Conditions

$$fx \quad V_{\text{air}} = \frac{W_{\text{O}_2}}{\rho \cdot 0.232}$$

Open Calculator

$$ex \quad 0.003\text{m}^3 = \frac{5\text{kg}}{7183.90\text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 0.232}$$




10) Volume of Digested Sludge 

$$\text{fx } V_s = \frac{W_s}{\rho_{\text{water}} \cdot G_s \cdot \%_0S}$$

Open Calculator 


$$\text{ex } 10\text{m}^3 = \frac{20\text{kg}}{1000\text{kg}/\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.01 \cdot 0.20}$$

11) VSS as Mass Flow Rate given Weight of Oxygen Required 

$$\text{fx } \text{VSS} = \frac{W_{\text{O}_2} \cdot \text{VSS}_w}{2.3 \cdot W_i}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 3.000453\text{kg}/\text{d} = \frac{5\text{kg} \cdot 5.3\text{kg}/\text{d}}{2.3 \cdot 3.84\text{kg}}$$

12) Weight of Oxygen given Volume of Air 

$$\text{fx } W_{\text{O}_2} = (V_{\text{air}} \cdot \rho \cdot 0.232)$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 4.999994\text{kg} = (0.003\text{m}^3 \cdot 7183.90\text{kg}/\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.232)$$

13) Weight of Oxygen Required to Destroy VSS 

$$\text{fx } W_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{\text{VSS} \cdot 2.3 \cdot W_i}{\text{VSS}_w}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 4.999245\text{kg} = \frac{3\text{kg}/\text{d} \cdot 2.3 \cdot 3.84\text{kg}}{5.3\text{kg}/\text{d}}$$



14) Weight of Sludge given Volume of Digested Sludge

$$\text{fx } W_s = (\rho_{\text{water}} \cdot V_s \cdot G_s \cdot \%S)$$

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$$\text{ex } 20\text{kg} = (1000\text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 10.0\text{m}^3 \cdot 0.01 \cdot 0.20)$$

15) Weight of VSS given Weight of Oxygen Required

$$\text{fx } VSS_w = \frac{VSS \cdot 2.3 \cdot W_i}{W_{O_2}}$$

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$$\text{ex } 5.2992\text{kg/d} = \frac{3\text{kg/d} \cdot 2.3 \cdot 3.84\text{kg}}{5\text{kg}}$$










Variables Used

- **%s** Percent Solids
- **G_s** Specific Gravity of Sludge
- **K_d** Reaction Rate Constant (*1 Per Day*)
- **P_v** Volatile Fraction
- **Q_i** Influent Average Flow Rate (*Cubic Meter per Second*)
- **V_{ad}** Volume of Aerobic Digester (*Cubic Meter*)
- **V_{air}** Volume of Air (*Cubic Meter*)
- **V_s** Sludge Volume (*Cubic Meter*)
- **VSS** Volume of Suspended Solid (*Kilogram per Day*)
- **VSS_w** Volatile Suspended Solid Weight (*Kilogram per Day*)
- **W_i** Weight of Initial Oxygen (*Kilogram*)
- **W_{O2}** Weight of Oxygen (*Kilogram*)
- **W_s** Weight of Sludge (*Kilogram*)
- **X** Digester Total Suspended Solids (*Milligram per Liter*)
- **X_i** Influent Suspended Solids (*Milligram per Liter*)
- **θ** Solids Retention Time (*Day*)
- **ρ** Density of Air (*Kilogram per Cubic Meter*)
- **ρ_{water}** Water Density (*Kilogram per Cubic Meter*)








Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Measurement: Weight** in Kilogram (kg)
Weight Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Time** in Day (d)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Volume** in Cubic Meter (m^3)
Volume Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second (m^3/s)
Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Mass Flow Rate** in Kilogram per Day (kg/d)
Mass Flow Rate Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Density** in Kilogram per Cubic Meter (kg/m^3), Milligram per Liter (mg/L)
Density Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: First Order Reaction Rate Constant** in 1 Per Day (d^{-1})
First Order Reaction Rate Constant Unit Conversion 



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