

Calculation task № 23

Determine the liquid flow capacity of the vertical gravitational separator for the following data: the diameter of the separator is 2.8 m, the density of liquid is 845 kg/m³, the density of gas under conditions of separation is 26.5 kg/m³, the dynamic viscosity of liquid is 2.3 mPa·s, the estimated diameter of gas bubbles is 0.16 mm.

Data :

$$D_s = 2.8 \quad \text{m}$$

$$\rho_{g.s} = 26.5 \quad \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$d_{g.b.} := 0.16 \cdot 10^{-3} \quad \text{m}$$

$$\mu_L = 2.3 \quad \text{mPa} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$\rho_L = 845 \quad \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$g := 9.81 \quad \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

Determine : $Q_{L.v.s.}$ – ?

Solution

The liquid flow capacity of the vertical gravitational separator :

$$Q_{L.v.s.} = \frac{\pi \cdot D_s^2}{4} \cdot \frac{d_{g.b.}^2 \cdot (\rho_L - \rho_{g.s}) \cdot g}{18 \cdot \mu_L} \quad (1)$$

where D_s is diameter of the separator, m ; ρ_L is density of liquid, kg/m³; $\rho_{g.s}$ is the density of gas under conditions of separation, kg/m³; μ_L is the dynamic viscosity of liquid, Pa·s; $d_{g.b.}$ is the estimated diameter of gas bubbles, m ; $Q_{L.v.s.}$ is liquid flow capacity of the vertical gravitational separator, m³/s.

$$Q_{L.v.s.} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \frac{m^3}{s} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \frac{m^3}{day}$$

$$\text{Answer : } \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \frac{m^3}{s} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \frac{m^3}{day}$$

