Chapter 3 Cooking Chemistry with Additives

3.1 The Aims of Using Additives in Cooking

>accelerating the delignification rate
>increasing the delignification selectivity
>increasing pulp yield
>improving pulp properties
>eliminating or reducing air pollution

3.2 Adding anthraquinone (AQ) or its derivatives

(1) Electrochemical reduction in anthraquinone pulping





(3) Redoxylic action of anthraquinone





AHQ acts the function as Na_2S AHQ⁼ \rightarrow AQ SH⁻ \rightarrow S^o

SAQ—Soluble anthraquinone THAQ—Tetrahydroanthraquinone DDA—Dihydrodihydroxylanthracene DHAQ—Dihydro anthraquinone Improved selectivity of Pulp Minimum cellulose loss Maximum lignin removal Oxidative stabilization of reducing endgroups against the endwise peeling reaction

For lower kappa number Same yield Same black liquor solids/ton pulp

(4) Adding THAQ THAQ can dissolved in alkaline solution which is favorable for even cooking





3.3 Adding polysulfide PS—inorganic oxidizing agent

1) PS Reactions in Pulping Stabilization of carbohydrates – Prevents peeling reaction $2^{R} - \swarrow_{H}^{\circ} + 2Na_{2}S_{2} + 6NaOH \rightarrow 2^{R} - \swarrow_{ONa}^{\circ} + 4Na_{2}S + 4H_{2}O$ or $R - \swarrow_{H}^{\circ} + S_{2}^{2} + 3OH \rightarrow R - \swarrow_{ONa}^{\circ} + 2S^{2} + 2H_{2}O$

> Thermal decomposition (>120~130 °C) $4Na_2S_2 + 6NaOH \longrightarrow 6Na_2S + Na_2S_2O_3 + 3H_2O$

2) Production of PS Liquor

 $4Na_{2}S + O_{2} + 2H_{2}O \longrightarrow 2Na_{2}S_{2} + 4NaOH$ Side Reaction $2Na_{2}S + 2O_{2} + H_{2}O \longrightarrow Na_{2}S_{2}O_{3} + 2NaOH$

Basic process elements Filter—— for preparation of clean white liquor Reactor—— for oxidation of sulfide to polysulfide



Liquor Quality		White Liquor Feed	Orange Liquor Product
NaOH	g/L	72	89
Na ₂ S	g/L	34	13
AA	g/L	106	103
EA	g/L	89	96
Sulfidity	%	32	12
Polysulfide	S g/L	0	7.5

3) Polysulfide Corrosion
PS has sharp corrosion peak @1g/L
PS pulping liquor @5~8 g/L—Highly passivating
Operating mills report no corrosion problems
No PS downstream of digester

Accelerated Lab Corrosion Rates
LiquorCorrosion rate (in/yr)White Liquor2. 60 (6.6mm/y)2. 11 (5.4mm/y)PS Liquor003 (0.076mm/y)005 (0.13mm/y)Batch Digester Corrosion Rates(softwood, hardwood)AQ-kraft0.13 in/yr (0.33mm/y)AQ/PS-kraft0.006 in/yr (0.15mm/y)





 White liquor TSS (Total suspended solids) — low uniform level

Minimize Filter washing

- Maximize Catalyst Life
- Low operating cost for PS system
- White liquor sulfidity
 - Uniformly high level to maximize PS
- Maximize % PS on wood

To maximize yield potential at given kappa No.

- Uniform chip thickness
 - To maximize penetration of AQ and PS
- Penetration of AQ/PS liquor at<130℃
 - To maximize carbohydrate stabilization before reaching cooking temperature

4) Effect of pulping process options on bleaching chemical requirements for low AOX

Kappa No.



Polysulfide Pulping System with DesulphurTM AHLSTROM KAMYR



3.4 Adding sodium borohydride

increasing pulp yield up to 6%

In hot $(135^{\circ}C)$ alkaline liquor NaBH₄ + 2NaOH + H₂O \rightarrow 4H₂ + NaBO₃



Advantages a) Sulfur—free, no sulfur pollution b) Meeting the regularity of ecologic circulation c) Higher yield (compared with soda process)

Main problem Low solubility of oxygen in alkaline liquor