BENCH-SCALE TESTING OF A HIGH EFFICIENCY, ULTRA-COMPACT PROCESS FOR PRE-COMBUSTION CO₂ CAPTURE

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Overview

Process Scheme: MR-AR IGCC



MR-AR Technology: Key departures from baseline

- WGS occurs in MR and AR with simultaneous $\rm H_2$ and $\rm CO_2$ removal respectively
- Steam is used as a sweep medium for product evacuation
- Single stage Selexol for H₂S removal only.
- Steam is used as diluent in the combustion turbine.
- Potential N₂, Ar sales to further boost plant economics

Baseline reference case is Case B5B of the reference document "Cost and Performance Baseline for Fossil Energy Plants – Volume 1: Bituminous Coal and Natural Gas to Electricity. September 24, 2019)"

MR-AR Process Schematic







MR-AR multidomain multiscale model

MR Model



MR Multidomain Modeling Concept

AR Model



AR Multidomain Modeling Concept

MR Multiscale Equations (Reactor fluid domain)

Species Mass Balance:

$$R_{i,f}^{r} - N_{T} \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} \overrightarrow{N_{i,f}^{per}} \Big|_{surface}^{mem} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(w_{i,f}^{r} \phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{r} \right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\phi_{A} \overrightarrow{N_{i,f}^{r}} \right) \qquad i = 1, n$$

Momentum conservation:

$$-\vec{\nabla}\left(\phi_{A}p_{f}^{r}\right) = \phi_{A}\left(150\frac{\left(1-\phi_{V}\right)^{2}\mu_{f}^{r}}{d_{pellet}^{2}\phi_{V}^{3}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}} + \frac{1.75\left(1-\phi_{V}\right)\rho_{f}^{r}}{d_{pellet}\phi_{V}^{3}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(\phi_{V}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\rho_{f}^{r}\right) + \vec{\nabla}\cdot\left(\phi_{A}\rho_{f}^{r}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right)$$

Energy Balance:

$$\begin{split} \phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{r} C_{v,f}^{r} \frac{\partial T_{f}^{r}}{\partial t} - \phi_{V} \frac{p_{f}^{r}}{\rho_{f}^{r}} \frac{\partial \rho_{f}^{r}}{\partial t} + \phi_{A} \rho_{f}^{r} \overline{v_{f}^{r}} C_{p,f}^{r} \overline{\nabla} T_{f}^{r} \\ &= \overline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\phi_{A} k_{f}^{r} \overline{\nabla} T_{f}^{r} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{i}} \overline{h_{f,i}} \cdot R_{i,f}^{r} - \phi_{I} \psi_{A,c} h_{c}^{r} (T_{f}^{r} - T^{c} \Big|_{Surface}^{Cat.}) \\ &+ N_{T} \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} \left[H_{f}^{r} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \overline{N_{i,f}^{per}} \Big|_{surface}^{mem} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{i}} \overline{h_{f,i}} \cdot \overline{N_{i,f}^{per}} \Big|_{surface}^{mem} \right] - \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} h_{per}^{r} (T_{f}^{r} - T^{per} \Big|_{Surface}^{Membrane}) - \frac{A_{Surface}^{Reactor}}{V^{Reactor}} U(T_{f}^{r} - T_{w}) \end{split}$$

MR Multiscale Equations (Catalyst pellet domain)

Species Mass Balance:

$$R_{i,f}^{c} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(w_{i,f}^{c} \varepsilon_{V}^{c} \rho_{f}^{c} \right) + \frac{1}{r^{2}} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^{2} \varepsilon_{A}^{c} \overline{N_{i,f}^{c}} \right) \qquad i = 1, n$$

Energy Balance:

$$\frac{\varepsilon_{V}^{c}\rho_{f}^{c}C_{v,f}^{c}}{\partial t} - \frac{p_{f}^{c}}{\rho_{f}^{c}} - \frac{p_{f}^{c}}{\rho_{f}^{c}} \frac{\partial\left(\varepsilon_{V}^{c}\rho_{f}^{c}\right)}{\partial t} = \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_{A}^{c}k_{f}^{c}\overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{c}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[\varepsilon_{A}^{c}\overrightarrow{j_{i,f}^{c}} \cdot C_{p,i,f}^{c}\overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{c}\right] - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{i}}\overline{h_{f,i}} \cdot R_{i,f}^{c}$$

Boundary Conditions:

$$\begin{split} w_{f,i}^{c} &= \left(w_{f,i}^{c}\right)_{in} \\ T_{f}^{c} &= T_{s}^{c} = T_{in} \\ p_{f}^{c} &= \left(p_{f}^{c}\right)_{in} \end{split} \begin{cases} \text{for } t = 0, \ \forall r \quad Q^{c} = -k^{c} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{c} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p_{f}^{c} = 0 \end{cases} \begin{cases} \text{for } r = 0 & -h_{c}^{r} \left(T_{f}^{r} - T^{c}\right) = -k^{c} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{c} \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p_{f}^{c} = 0 \end{cases} \end{cases} \begin{cases} \text{for } r = R_{cat} \\ p_{f}^{c} = p_{f}^{r} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

MR Multiscale Equations (Permeation domain)

Species Mass Balance:

$$N_{T} \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} \overrightarrow{N_{i,f}^{per}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(w_{i,f}^{per} \phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{per} \right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \left[\phi_{A} \left(w_{i,f}^{per} \rho_{f}^{per} \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{per}} \right) \right] \qquad i = 1, n$$

Momentum conservation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\phi_V \overrightarrow{v_f^{per}} \rho_f^{per} \right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\phi_A \rho_f^{per} \overrightarrow{v_f^{per}} \overrightarrow{v_f^{per}} \right) = -\overrightarrow{\nabla} \left(\phi_A p_f^{per} \right) - \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \overrightarrow{v_f^{per}} \left(-\mu_f^{per} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \overrightarrow{v_f^{per}} \right)$$

Energy Balance:

$$\begin{split} \phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{per} C_{v,f}^{per} \frac{\partial T_{f}^{per}}{\partial t} &- \frac{p_{f}^{per}}{\rho_{f}^{per}} \frac{\partial \left(\phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{per}\right)}{\partial t} + \phi_{A} \rho_{f}^{per} \overline{v_{f}^{per}} C_{p,f}^{per} \overline{\nabla} T_{f}^{per} \\ &= \overline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\phi_{A} k_{f}^{per} \overline{\nabla} T_{f}^{per}\right) + N_{T} \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{i}} \overline{h_{f,i}} \cdot \overline{N_{i,f}^{per}} - H_{f}^{per} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \overline{N_{i,f}^{per}}\right) \\ &+ \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} h_{perm}^{per} (T_{f}^{r} - T^{per} \Big|_{Surface}^{Membrane}) \end{split}$$

MR Boundary Conditions (Reactor & Permeation Domain)

Reactor Domain:

$$\begin{cases} \overrightarrow{v_f^r} = \overrightarrow{v_f^r}(t) \\ w_{f,i}^r = w_{f,i}^r(t) \\ T_f^r = T_f^r(t) \\ p_f^r = p_{f,in}^r \ \forall t \end{cases} \text{ for } x = 0 ;$$

$$\vec{\nabla} w_{f,i}^{r} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} T_{f}^{r} = 0$$

$$for x = L \land \forall t$$

Permeation Domain:

$$\vec{v_f^{per}} = \left(\vec{v_f^{per}}\right)_{in}$$

$$p_f^{per} = \left(p_f^{per}\right)_{in}$$

$$w_{f,i}^{per} = \left(w_{f,i}^{per}\right)_{in}$$

$$T_f^{per} = \left(T_f^{per}\right)_{in}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} w_{i,f}^{per} = 0 \vec{\nabla} T_f^{per} = 0$$
 for $x = L \land \forall t$

AR Multiscale Equations (Reactor fluid domain)

Species Mass Balance:

$$R_{i,f}^{r} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(w_{i,f}^{r} \phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{r} \right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \left(\phi_{A} \overrightarrow{N_{i,f}^{r}} \right) \qquad i = 1, n$$

Where:
$$\overrightarrow{N_{i,f}^r} = w_{i,f}^r \rho_f^r \overrightarrow{v_f^r} + \overrightarrow{j_{i,f}^r}$$

Newly incorporated Dispersion Model:

$$\overrightarrow{j_{i,f}^{r}} = -D^{*} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \left(\rho_{f}^{r} w_{i,f}^{r} \right)$$

 D^* is determined empirically from tracer pulse experiments from which we can infer the degree of dispersion in the reactor

AR Multiscale Equations (Reactor fluid domain) Cont.

Momentum conservation:

$$-\overrightarrow{\nabla}\left(\phi_{A}p_{f}^{r}\right) = \phi_{A}\left(150\frac{\left(1-\phi_{V}\right)^{2}\mu_{f}^{r}}{d_{pellet}^{2}\phi_{V}^{3}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}} + \frac{1.75\left(1-\phi_{V}\right)\rho_{f}^{r}}{d_{pellet}\phi_{V}^{3}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(\phi_{V}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\rho_{f}^{r}\right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla}\cdot\left(\phi_{A}\rho_{f}^{r}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right)$$

Energy Balance:

$$\begin{split} \phi_{V} \rho_{f}^{r} C_{v,f}^{r} \frac{\partial T_{f}^{r}}{\partial t} &- \phi_{V} \frac{p_{f}^{r}}{\rho_{f}^{r}} \frac{\partial \rho_{f}^{r}}{\partial t} + \phi_{A} \rho_{f}^{r} \overline{v_{f}^{r}} C_{p,f}^{r} \overline{\nabla} T_{f}^{r} \\ &= \overline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\phi_{A} k_{f}^{r} \overline{\nabla} T_{f}^{r} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{i}} \overline{h_{f,i}} \cdot R_{i,f}^{r} - \phi_{I} \psi_{A,c} h_{c}^{r} (T_{f}^{r} - T^{c} \Big|_{Surface}^{Cat.}) \\ &+ N_{T} \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} \left[H_{f}^{r} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \overline{N_{i,f}^{per}} \Big|_{surface}^{mem} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{i}} \overline{h_{f,i}} \cdot \overline{N_{i,f}^{per}} \Big|_{surface}^{mem} \right] - \frac{A^{per}}{V^{r}} h_{per}^{r} (T_{f}^{r} - T^{per} \Big|_{Surface}^{Membrane}) - \frac{A_{Surface}^{Reactor}}{V^{Reactor}} U(T_{f}^{r} - T_{w}) \end{split}$$

AR Reactor fluid domain: Boundary conditions

$$\begin{split} \overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{r} &= 0 \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla}w_{f,i}^{r} &= 0 \end{split} for \ x = L \ \land \ \forall t \\ \\ \overrightarrow{v_{reg}^{r}} &= \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}(t) &= \begin{cases} v_{Ads}^{r} & for \ (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \leq t < k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \\ v_{Reg}^{r} & for \ k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \leq t < k(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \end{cases} \end{cases} \\ \\ w_{f,i}^{r} &= w_{f,i}^{r}(t) &= \begin{cases} w_{f,i,Ads}^{r} & for \ (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \leq t < k\Delta t_{Ads} - \Delta t_{Pur} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \\ w_{f,i,Reg}^{r} & for \ k\Delta t_{Ads} - dr_{Pur} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \leq t < k(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \end{cases} \end{cases} \\ \\ \\ T_{ds}^{r} &= for \ (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \leq t < k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \\ T_{Ads} & for \ (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \leq t < k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \\ T_{Ads} &= for \ (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) \leq t < k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \\ T_{Ads} &+ \frac{T_{Reg} - T_{Ads}}{\Delta t_{Hea}} \left(t - \left[\frac{k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}}{k(k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}} \right] \right) for \ \begin{cases} k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg} \\ t < \left[\frac{k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}}{k(k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}} \right] \\ T_{f}^{r} &= T_{f}^{r}(t) = \begin{cases} T_{Ads} & for \ (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) = (k-1)(\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}) \\ T_{Ads} &= for \ \left[\frac{k\Delta t_{Ads} + (k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}}{k(k-1)\Delta t_{Reg}} \right] \\ T_{Reg}^{r} &= \frac{T_{Reg} - T_{Ads}}{\Delta t_{Coo}} \left(t - \left[\frac{k(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) - (\Delta t_{Coo} + \Delta t_{Tra})}{(\Delta t_{Coo} + \Delta t_{Tra})} \right] \\ T_{Ads}^{r} &= for \ \left\{ k(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) - \Delta t_{Tra} \leq t < k(\Delta t_{Ads} + \Delta t_{Reg}) - \Delta t_{Tra}} \right\} \end{cases} \end{cases} \right\}$$

AR Multiscale Equations (Catalyst pellet domain)

Species Mass Balance:

$$R_{i,f}^{c} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(w_{i,f}^{c} \varepsilon_{V}^{c} \rho_{f}^{c} \right) + \frac{1}{r^{2}} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^{2} \varepsilon_{A}^{c} \overline{N_{i,f}^{c}} \right) \qquad i = 1, n$$

Energy Balance:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_{V}^{c}\rho_{f}^{c}C_{v,f}^{c}\frac{\partial T_{f}^{c}}{\partial t} - \frac{p_{f}^{c}}{\rho_{f}^{c}}\frac{\partial\left(\varepsilon_{V}^{c}\rho_{f}^{c}\right)}{\partial t} = \overrightarrow{\nabla}\cdot\left(\varepsilon_{A}^{c}k_{f}^{c}\overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{c}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[\varepsilon_{A}^{c}\overrightarrow{j_{i,f}^{c}}\cdot C_{p,i,f}^{c}\overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{c}\right] - \sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{1}{M_{i}}\overline{h_{f,i}}\cdot R_{i,f}^{c}}}{\partial t}$$

Boundary Conditions:

$$\begin{split} w_{f,i}^{c} &= \left(w_{f,i}^{c}\right)_{in} \\ T_{f}^{c} &= T_{s}^{c} = T_{in} \\ p_{f}^{c} &= \left(p_{f}^{c}\right)_{in} \end{split} \begin{cases} \text{for } t = 0, \ \forall r \quad Q^{c} = -k^{c} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{c} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p_{f}^{c} = 0 \end{cases} \begin{cases} \text{for } r = 0 & -h_{c}^{r} \left(T_{f}^{r} - T^{c}\right) = -k^{c} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{c} \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p_{f}^{c} = 0 \end{cases} \end{cases} \begin{cases} \text{for } r = R_{cat} \\ p_{f}^{c} = p_{f}^{r} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

AR Multiscale Equations (Adsorbent pellet domain)

Species Mass Balance:

$$R_{i,f}^{a} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(w_{i,f}^{a} \varepsilon_{V}^{a} \rho_{f}^{a} \right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \left(\varepsilon_{A}^{a} \overrightarrow{N_{i,f}^{a}} \right) \qquad i = 1, n$$

Energy Balance:

$$\varepsilon_{V}^{a}\rho_{f}^{a}C_{v,f}^{a}\frac{\partial T_{f}^{a}}{\partial t}-\frac{p_{f}^{a}}{\rho_{f}^{a}}\frac{\partial\left(\varepsilon_{V}^{a}\rho_{f}^{a}\right)}{\partial t}=\overrightarrow{\nabla}\cdot\left(\varepsilon_{A}^{a}k_{f}^{a}\overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{a}\right)-\varepsilon_{A}^{a}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[\overrightarrow{j_{i,f}^{a}}\cdot C_{p,i,f}^{a}\overrightarrow{\nabla}T_{f}^{a}\right]-\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[\frac{1}{M_{i}}\overrightarrow{h_{f,i}}\cdot R_{i,f}^{a}\right]$$

Boundary Conditions:

$$\begin{array}{c} w_{f,i}^{c} = \left(w_{f,i}^{c}\right)_{in} \\ T_{f}^{c} = T_{s}^{c} = T_{in} \\ p_{f}^{c} = \left(p_{f}^{c}\right)_{in} \end{array} \right\} for \ t = 0, \ \forall r \qquad \begin{array}{c} \overrightarrow{N_{f,i}^{a}} = 0 \\ Q^{a} = -k^{a} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{a} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p^{a} = 0 \end{array} \right\} for \ r = 0 \qquad \begin{array}{c} -K_{m,i} \left(w_{f,i}^{r} \rho_{f}^{r} - w_{f,i}^{a} \rho_{f}^{a}\right) = \overrightarrow{N_{f,i}^{a}} \\ -h^{a} \left(T_{f}^{r} - T^{a}\right) = -k^{a} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{a} \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p^{a} = 0 \end{array} \right\} for \ r = R_{ads}$$

Common MR/AR Multiscale Equations

Equation of State (Ideal Gas) :

$$p_f^{\alpha} V_f^{\alpha} = n_f^{\alpha} R T_f^{\alpha} \, \Big|, \ \alpha \in \Big\{ r, c, a, p \Big\}$$

DGM Diffusion Model (for Catalyst/Adsorbent):

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{D_{ij}^{eff}} \left[\frac{x_{f,j}^{\alpha}}{M_{i}} \left(\varepsilon_{A}^{\alpha} \overline{N_{f,i}^{\alpha}} \right) - \frac{x_{f,i}^{\alpha}}{M_{j}} \left(\varepsilon_{A}^{\alpha} \overline{N_{f,j}^{\alpha}} \right) \right] + \left(\frac{1}{M_{i} D_{iK}^{eff}} \right) \left(\varepsilon_{A}^{\alpha} \overline{N_{f,i}^{\alpha}} \right) = \\ = - \left[c_{f,tot}^{\alpha} \overline{\nabla} x_{f,i}^{\alpha} + \left(\frac{1}{p_{f}^{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{D_{iK}^{eff}} \frac{B_{o}}{\mu_{f}^{\alpha}} \right) c_{f,i}^{\alpha} \overline{\nabla} p_{f}^{\alpha} \right] \quad i = 1, n \quad \land i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} D_{ij}^{eff} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{A}^{\alpha}}{\tau^{\alpha}} \right) \left(\frac{8.5872 \cdot 10^{-24}}{p_{f}^{\alpha}} \frac{m^{3}kg^{\frac{1}{2}}}{s^{3}K^{\frac{3}{2}}mol^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) \sqrt{\frac{\left(T^{\alpha}\right)^{3}}{M_{ij}}} \\ M_{ij} = 2 \left[\frac{1}{M_{i}} + \frac{1}{M_{j}} \right]^{-1} \\ D_{iK}^{eff} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{A}^{\alpha}}{\tau^{\alpha}} \right) \left(\frac{4 d_{pore}^{\alpha}}{3} \right) \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{R}T^{\alpha}}{2\pi M_{i}}} \\ B_{o} = \frac{d_{pore,\alpha}^{2}}{32} \end{cases}$$

Experimental Design basis

MR-AR Bench-scale Design Basis

MR

- Feed Pressure: ~10 25 bar
- Feed temperature: 510 535 K
- Syngas feed flowrate: 1-5 scfm
- Feed composition: As delivered from Uky CAER facility.

AR

• Temperature: Adsorption @ 523 K & Regeneration @ 523K - 673 K

General

- Catalyst (MR and AR): Clariant
- Adsorbent (AR): Hydrotalcite pellets

MR P&ID

MR and Main Oven



AR P&ID



MR-AR bench scale sizing details

MR

- MR tubes ID: 3.5 mm
- MR tubes OD: 5.7 mm
- MR tube length: 482.6 mm
- No of tubes/bundle: 7 18



AR (single bed)

- AR ID: 2.5" (0.635 m)
- AR Length: 5' (1.524 m)
- Cat. loading: ~ 232g / vessel
- Ads. loading: ~ 1,638g /vessel
- Inert pellet loading: ~ 3,260g /vessel
- Run configuration: 2 or 3 beds in series





MR-AR assembled bench scale unit



Bench-Scale Experiments

Bench-Scale Experiments

Field Test Period: 05-28-21 - Present



Syngas Field Test Exposure Summary

Total Exposure Hours

Non-overlap" refers to time which is only counted in one "mode" at a time (ie. if MR is running at the same time as an AR is sitting in static, it only counts once)











Total carbon ($CO + CO_2$) steady-state flow in the MR inlet and MR reject-side exit



Total carbon (CO + CO₂) dynamic N_2 to syngas pulse flow in the MR inlet and MR reject-side exit

MR Experimental - Simulated Conversions



MR CO Conversion

MR CO experimental (12/09/2021) and simulated conversions

Experimental Data Analysis – MR CO conv. summary

Data-set	Mean Feed Composition [CO/CO ₂ /H ₂ /H ₂ O/N ₂]	Feed Pressure [psig]	Temp. [°C]	Flow rate [scfm]	Measured MR CO Conv. [%]	Simulated MR CO Conv. % (*%)
12-09-21	23.99 /36.25 /21.13 /7.57 /11.02	285	250	0.482	53	41 (80) - 46 (100)
12-13-21	16.35 /38.75 /16.57 /25.84 /2.21	249	240	0.585	39	35 (80) – 41 (100)
12-14-21	12.75 /32.76 /13.90 /30.10 /10.47	255	249	0.614	51	45 (80) - 52 (100)
12-15-21	14.58 /29.90 /14.37 /29.87 /9.64	245	263	0.626	52	39 (80) – 46 (100)
04-05-22	15.29 /37.09 /15.19 /22.94 /9.49	258	265	0.328	35	34 (80)
04-06-22	15.73 /30.80 /16.19 /23.60 /13.68	255	265	0.284	32	30 (80)
	9.34 /24.12 /9.05 /37.37 /20.12	220	265	0.284	75	74 (80)
06-09-22	9.67 /11.46 /10.51 /62.96 /5.40	260	253	0.611	64	69 (80)

*Surface area of membrane exposed to gas flow (%)

AR Reaction/Adsorption-Regeneration Experimental Data: Feed: MR Reject – (H₂O, N₂) Exit: CO/CO₂ conc.



AR Adsorption-Regeneration Experimental Data: Feed: CO₂ – (H₂O, N₂) Exit: CO₂ conc.



AR CO₂ exit concentration, 06/09/22

Concentration [-]

Time of Day

AR Experimental Data – AR breakthrough (syngas)



AR Experimental CO₂ Breakthrough Data: Feed: CO₂ – N₂ Exit: CO₂ conc.



Operating Conditions:

AR A (2 beds in series)

- Feed T: 223°C
- Feed P: 140 psi
- Flowrate: 4 slpm
- Mass of Ads.: 3505.9 g

AR B (2 beds in series)

- Feed T: 253°C
- Feed P: 100 psi
- Flowrate: 4 slpm
- Mass of Ads.: 3325.4 g

AR Experimental Data – AR working/test capacity and W/ F_{CO2}

Data set	AR	Feed gas	Working capacity (% wt.)	Test capacity (% wt.)
05/28/21	В	Syngas	3.73	-
07/23/21	В	Syngas	2.86	-
00/04/04	В	Syngas	2.54	-
08/04/21	А	Syngas	1.14	-
12/10/21	В	Syngas	2.94	-
12/14/21	В	Syngas	1.50	-
12/15/21	В	Syngas	1.43	-
04/06/22	А	Syngas	-	2.49
04/07/22	А	Pure CO ₂	-	4.90
04/08/22	А	Pure CO ₂	-	7.30
04/08/22	В	Pure CO ₂	-	4.16

Working capacity: Ratio of the mass of CO₂ adsorbed to the mass of adsorbent in AR bed at CO₂ breakthrough.

CO2 breakthrough is defined as the time for which the CO2 exit molar flowrate, measured at the AR exit, becomes 1% of the CO2 inlet molar flowrate.

Test capacity: Ratio of the mass of CO2 adsorbed to the mass of adsorbent in AR bed past CO2 breakthrough but before bed saturation.

Data set	Target (g _{ads} /slpm CO ₂)	Real AR A (g _{ads} /slpm CO ₂)	Real AR B (g _{ads} /slpm CO ₂)	Stream	Cycle Times	Cycles Run
05/24/22	10000	11772	11620	Syngas	20/20 mins	3
05/25/22	4250	4241	4142	Syngas	20/20 mins	4
05/27/22	5500	5741	5684	Syngas	15/15 mins	10
06/07/22	3500	3546	3572	Syngas	15/15 mins	4
06/08/22	4000	4100	4043	Syngas	15/15 mins	6
06/09/22	4500	4784	4267	Pure CO2	15/15 mins	3
06/10/22	1500	1518	1569	Pure CO2	15/15 mins	4

Experimental Data Analysis – AR Dispersion

- Residence time density (Rtd) experiments performed on the AR vessels
- AR vessels are filled with N₂ and CH₄ is used as a tracer (50/50 N₂/CH₄ blend)
- The tracer is injected at 3 subsequent, discrete time points for a duration of a few seconds (15 s – 35 s)
- CH4 concentration is measured at the AR outlet (Responses)
 - A dispersion coefficient for the AR model is identified that best approximates the response to the first tracer injection
 - The identified dispersion coefficient is used in simulations for the subsequent tracer responses
 - Resulting model predications show excellent agreement with the experimental data

Experimental Data Analysis – AR A Dispersion



Experimental Data Analysis – AR B Dispersion



Preliminary TEA

Preliminary TEA: Overall Performance Summary

	Case B5B	MR-AR (No Sales)	MR-AR (N2 Sales @ \$30/ton)	MR-AR (Ar Sales @ \$1.5/kg)	Target		
Performance Summary							
Carbon Capture	90.0%	91.0%	91.0%	91.0%	N/A		
CO ₂ Purity	99.5%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	95%		
Net Power Production (MWe)	543	629	593	629	N/A		
COE (no T&S) [\$/MWh]	135.4	109.8	89.8	89.1	94.78		
CO ₂ Captured Cost (no T&S) [\$/ton]	63.2	37.4	9.6	9.2	N/A		

Future Work

Experimental (on-going)

• Continue to assess MR and AR experimental unit performance under live syngas conditions.

Modeling (on-going)

• Continue to assess MR and AR unit model performance in regions of the parameter space compatible with carried out experiments.

Detailed TEA (Initiated)

- Update the baseline IGCC process simulation based on revised baseline document.
- Update MR-AR IGCC process simulation with experimentally validated model.
- Update all plant cost elements and assess plant economics.

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