PROJECT OF CONTROL SYSTEM FOR BIOCHEMICAL PROCESSES

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ABSTRACT

The technology of biochemical processes works in a system of the Laboratories of integrated automation. The project goal is to have this process next some processes of thermodynamics, electro technique and engines. The control system is designed for a laboratory fermenter as a technological arrangement. The one prefers all requirements of technologists too. The system contains all measure loops of technological parameter, a central IPC subsystem and some actuator units. The requirements ask for using of system in three parts of process: preparing, run, finishing and in three of regime: staff, student and client. The specifics of control system is a local and remote access. This way uses the modern Internet network. All functions of processes can be controlled from computer in LAN next the process equipment or via Internet from computers in all places of the world. The system serves the students, the researchers, the teachers.

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1. INTRUDUCTION

The project "Laboratories of integrated automation" (LABI) is solved in the development program. The laboratory experiments and their practices in education of applied informatics, integrated automation and environmental technology are designed for nine exercises.

One of the experimental equipment is model DE5 and there is the equipment for biochemical processes [1,2]. The topology of LABI and DE5 is in the fig. 1.

2. DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIMENT DE5

The experiment DE5 is used for different biochemical processes. The fermenter LF20 is their technological equipment. The its view is in Fig.2. It shows a new installed automation means at the fermenter.

Fermenter LF20 has a construction according to praxis experience. The function tank stands on base. The tank is built the glass cylinder, a bottom and upper cap. The bottom cap is mounted on the base. The upper cap has the sockets for sensors, inputs and outputs of technology. This mechanical configuration of upper cap are five socket pipe for input of oxidization, electrical heating unit, input and output of cooling and five socket input for sensors of level, dissolved oxygen in liquid, turbidity, ORP, pH sensor, conductivity, pressure, temperature, flow, for input/output of capacity, inputs of peristaltic pumps and output of gas.



Figure 1. Topology of the system LABI



Figure 2. Photo of DE5 equipment

The basic process will use some demo of biological activated sludge processes in long term. The dissolved oxygen concentration, the pH value, the ORP value, the turbidity and electrical conductivity

are mean monitoring parameters. The control parameters are temperature, the pH value, temperature, pH and aeration intensity. The all parameters have a key factor for micro organism activity. This demo process is one from general bioprocesses used in the praxis.

3. DESCRIBING OF DEMO BIOCHEMICAL PROCESSES IN DE5

The simple aerobical process is suitable for DE5. The fermentor is tanked about 10 litres of active sludge. The right mix of substructure and the bio medium are the ingredients. The mix of substructure contents light resoluble glucose (it is a energy source) and the Hykol (hydrolyzate of collagen, it is a source of nitrogen and amino acid). The sludge with the ingredients is mixed, tempered and intensive aerated.

The micro organism consumes the dissolved oxygen and substructure. It is controlled according to the sensor LDO by its grow. The scheme is in Fig.3. The waste materials (organic acids and nitrogen base) arise during the reaction. It is controlled via sensor of pH. The effectiveness of enzymes and activity of micro organisms is changed according to pH value. Therefore the pH is controlled for optimal level with batching.of acid and or alkali. The metabolic processes of micro organisms influence the parameter of ORP eventually conductivity of liquid. It is controlled by sensors of ORP and conductivity.



Figure 3: The scheme of aerobical processes in the DE5

The micro organisms' bloom is visualized via a measurement the bio mass production. The measurement is done to take off periodically some samples of sludge and it is done via the determination of content of dissolved organic carbon (DOC). The measurement of turbidity gives information in the bio mass production too. The both value (DOC and turbidity) are compared very easy.

4. THE MEASUREMENT, CONTROL SYSTEM OF EXPERIMENT DE5

A demo technological process of the biological waste-water treatment and water-soluble organic materials in water aerobic environment is used for a basic operation of fermenter. The main criteria are the substrate kinetic, the dissolved oxygen concentration, and the pH value eventually oxidant-reducing potential (ORP). The pH value of environment conditions a microbial activity. The conductivity measurement of water environment gives information in electrolyte content, most often the inorganic salts. The sensors for measurement of turbidity serve for a content supervision of suspended materials (concretely activated sludge) and for quality classification of outlet.

There are proposed the loops for basic operation of experiment DE5:

- of the measurement:
 - o (3a) temperature T1 (0-100°C),
 - o (22) level L (0-0,35m),
 - o (21) pressure into fermenter (0-160 kPa)
 - o (8) pH (1-14 pH),
 - o (7) conductivity, (200 μ S/m 2 S/m),
 - o (9) dissolved oxygen (0-50 mg/l,
 - o (11) turbidity, 0-10000 NTU
 - o (10) ORP (-700 mV to 1000 mV),

- o (19) rotation (0-1000 n/min)
- o (5) present of yeast.
- of control and actuators:
 - o motor M1 (19)
 - o heating E1
 - \circ input of air aerate(H1/4)
 - o dosing through peristaltic pump (2a, 2b, 2c, 2d)
 - o output of gas phase (13)
 - o output of liquid phase (17).



Figure 4: The automation loops of DE5

The automation system has the basic functions:

- measurement and acquisition of date in set time period
- archiving the measured date
- remote access via the Internet,
- local control and visualization of processes.

The in-line measured date is accessed via WEB. The vizualisation is in the monitor of system and archiving is in special files. The in-line measurement of concentration of methane (CH4), carbon oxygen (CO2) in gas part of fermenter is prepared. Thereafter some technological complicated anaerobic processes are processing in the future.

5. CONCLUSION

The DE5 experiment equipment has very eminent position in LABI. It is a chemical process which offers a study and education of specific biochemistry. It stands next mechanical, electrical and thermal processes of the other experiments. The large contribution is the access via Internet. The access is for remote control, visualizing, archiving of date is used by a long time processes.

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