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Key Parameters Optimization in the Electro-Coagulation-Flotation process for synthetic WasteWater Treatment Containing Acid Red 14

Due to the potential contamination of groundwater and surface water in the vicinity of the consumer dye industry, removal of this dyestuff waste is an environmental priority. Water clarity and solubility of gases in the presence of even a small amount of dye is reduced. If there are colored substances toxic to lower layers light penetration in the water is low and photosynthesis of aquatic plants and the amount of dissolved oxygen is so low that aquatic animals destroyed. Dyes are stable compounds that are not easily biodegradable and especially azo dyes are considered carcinogenic. Removal of color via various methods of physical, chemical, biological or a combination of them is possible that can be noted on physical methods such as adsorption, membrane filtration and ultrasonic waves, chemical methods such as ion exchange, electrolysis, coagulation and flocculation, canonical and advanced oxidation and biological methods using algae, fungi and bacteria. Chemical coagulation is a common method of waste water containing dye. High levels of dissolved solids and sludge in purified effluent is the disadvantage of chemical coagulation. In recent years, electrochemical method because of the versatility and compatibility with the environment as an effective method for treating wastewater of containing dye industries is taken into consideration. In the electric coagulation, production happens in place of coagulant materials that are result of dissolution metal anode (steel) by passing an electric current. If between the positive anode and negative cathode that are plugged to electricity, put sewage, an electric field is established as a result of the electrical conductivity of the solution. By electrolysis of water, tiny bubbles of oxygen and hydrogen produced, and to move upwards and form a blanket on the surface. Bubbles bring suspended particles to the surface and form sludge layer that are mechanically collected. Expected use of electric flotation process simultaneously with electric coagulation eliminates requirement to gravity sedimentation unit for the separation the clots and resulting in the separation of both emissions and reduce the cost of the filtration. Researches in the field of electrochemical dye degradation based on electric coagulation and flotation property of the produced bubble is rarely used. In this study, reactors designed in a manner intended to electric coagulation properties and electric flotation can be used simultaneously. In addition, in this study are used innovations such as the use of grille stainless steel electrodes with horizontal arrangement. In this study, the important factors affecting the performance of the synchronized electric conclusion and electric flotation system at the; Including electrical conductivity of the solution and initial pH were completely checked out and the effect of these parameters on the removal efficiency of acid red 14 from synthetic wastewater, and energy consumption values and anode are determined and optimized. The electrical conductivity 3600 $\mu\text{S}/\text{dm}$ and initial pH equal 9 were selected as optimal values and under optimal conditions and the duration of 25 minutes, 99% removal efficiency of dye with initial concentration 250 mg/L is reached and specific energy consumption "9.5 kWh/kg Dye Removed", anode consumption "2.65 Fe /kg Dye Removed" and TSS sludge 9000 mg/L was obtained.. Advantages of this method include very low consumption of Materials and energy (according to the high rated initial concentration of the dye (250 mg/L) and a small applied intensity electric current (0.4 A) in this study) as well as low produced sludge that resulted to reduce filtration and sludge disposal costs can be noted. Require to simple equipment, high speed and short retention time remove pollutants, easy navigation, require to low amount of chemicals and low produced sludge which has high sedimentation or floating rate with low amount of water are other advantages of this method compared to other methods of dye removal. As a result, this method can be used as a suitable alternative for common filtration methods such as chemical coagulation and flocculation or pre-filtration prior to supplementary filtration of industrial sewage containing dyes.

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