

## Chapter 7. Separation of Particles from a Gas: Cyclones and Impactors

For either gas cleaning (removal of dusts) or recovery of particulate products

### 7.S Inertial Motion and Impact of Particles

입자는 질량이 그것을 담고 다니는 유체의 그것보다 크기 때문에 (액체보다는 특히 기체에서 두드러짐) 유체의 흐름(속도와 방향)에 급격한 변화가 일어날 때 적응하지 못하고 관성을 가지고 독자적인 운동을 하게 된다. 이를 입자의 관성운동이라 부르며, 고체표면 가까이서 이 현상이 일어나면 입자는 표면에 부딪히게 된다. 이를 충돌 (impaction)이라 한다.

#### 1) *Stop Distance*

For *Stokesian* particles

*Momentum(force) balance* for a single sphere

$$m_p \frac{dU}{dt} = - \frac{3\pi\mu d_p U}{C_c}$$

Integrating once

$$U = U_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

where  $\tau = \frac{m_p C_c}{3\pi\mu d_p} = \frac{\rho_p d_p^2 C_c}{18\mu}$

*relaxation time*

Integrating twice

$$x = U_0 \tau (1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

As  $\frac{t}{\tau} \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$x \sim U_0 \tau = \frac{\rho_p d_p^2 U_0 C_c}{18\mu} \equiv s$$

*stop distance*

\* out of Stokes' range

#### 2) *Similitude Law* for Impaction : Stokesian Particles

For  $Re < 1$

*Force balance* around a particle (equation of particle motion)

$$m_p \frac{d\vec{U}}{dt} = -3\pi\mu d_p(\vec{U} - \vec{U}_f)$$

Defining dimensionless variables

$$\vec{U}_1 \equiv \frac{\vec{U}}{L}, \quad \vec{U}_f \equiv \frac{\vec{U}_f}{L} \quad \text{and} \quad \Theta \equiv \frac{tU}{L}$$

where  $U, L$ : characteristic velocity and length of the system

$$\therefore St \frac{d\vec{U}_1}{d\Theta} = -(\vec{U}_1 - \vec{U}_f)$$

or

In terms of displacement,

$$St \frac{d^2 \vec{r}_1}{d\Theta^2} + \frac{d\vec{r}_1}{d\Theta} = \vec{U}_f$$

where  $\vec{r}$ : displacement vector

$$\vec{r}_1 \equiv \frac{\vec{r}}{L}$$

$$St \equiv \frac{\rho_p d_p^2 U}{18\mu L} = \frac{\tau U}{L} \equiv \frac{\text{particle persistence}}{\text{size of obstacle}}$$

**Stokes number**

$$\therefore \vec{r}_1 = f(St, Re, R) \sim n_R$$

$\uparrow$                                    $\uparrow$      $\uparrow$   
particle                                   $\vec{U}_f$  B.C.  
trajectory

\* For the two particle systems

If  $Re, St$  and B.C. are the same, particle trajectories are the same.

\* 이와 같은 관성현상은 운동방정식을 풀어 입자의 시간에 따른 변위(궤

*Net displacement in 1s due to Brownian motion and gravity for standard-density spheres at standard conditions*

Particle diameter, $\mu\text{m}$	$Re_0$	S at $U_0=10\text{m/s}$	time to travel 95% of S
0.01	0.0066	$7.0 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-8}$
0.1	0.066	$9.0 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-7}$
1.0	0.66	0.035	$1.1 \times 10^{-5}$
10	6.6	2.3*	$8.5 \times 10^{-4}$ *
100	66	127*	0.065*

적)을 추적하여 입자의 거동을 해석한다.

## 7.0 Introduction

### 1) Separation Mechanisms

Sedimentation :

Settling chamber, centrifuge

Migration of charged particle in an electric field :

Electrostatic precipitator

Inertial deposition :

Cyclone, scrubber, filters, inertial impactor

Brownian diffusion :

Diffusion batteries

\* Filters

### 2) Collection efficiency

*Fractional (grade) efficiency*      Figure 7.1

$$G_N(d_p) \equiv \frac{N_{feed}(d_p) - N_{product}(d_p)}{N_{feed}(d_p)}$$

based on number of particles

$$G_M(d_p) \equiv \frac{M_{feed}(d_p) - M_{product}(d_p)}{M_{feed}(d_p)}$$

based on mass of particles

*Total efficiency*

$$E_T = \int_0^{\infty} G(d_p) dF(d_p)$$

↓  
Fraction of feed particles     $d_p \sim d_p + dd_p$

### 3) Inertial Separators

입자의 관성을 이용하여 유체에서 분리한다...

*Dimensional analysis* for  $G(d_p)$

$$G(d_p) = f(d_p, \rho_p, \rho_f, L, v) \rightarrow G(d_p) = f(St, Re, d_p/L)$$

where  $L$  : characteristic length of the separator

$U$  : characteristic velocity of the particle  
in the separator

$$St \equiv \frac{\rho_p d_p^2 U}{18 \mu L} \quad \text{and} \quad Re \equiv \frac{\rho_f U L}{\mu}$$

$$Eu = f(Re)$$

Define **cut size**,  $d_{p,50} \equiv d_p$  at  $G(d_p) = 0.5$

Economy of the collectors

Based on  $\$/ (1000 \text{ m}^3 \text{ cleaned gas /h})$

**annualized capital cost + operating cost\*** :

\* Power requirement  $\equiv Q \Delta p$ , [W]

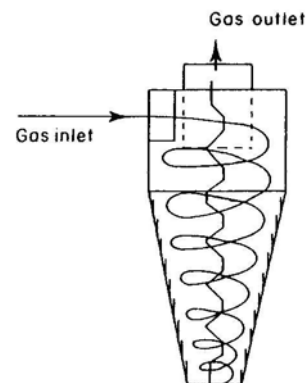
where  $\Delta p = f(L, v, \rho_f, \mu) \rightarrow$

By dimensional analysis

$$\text{where } Eu \equiv \frac{\Delta p}{\rho v^2 / 2}$$

## 7.1 Gas Cyclones - Description

Figure 7.2 reverse flow cyclone



## 7.2 Flow Characteristics

Rotational flow in the forced vortex

Radial pressure gradient

Characteristic velocity

$$v = \frac{4q}{\pi D^2}$$

where  $q$ : Gas flow rate

$D$ : cyclone inside diameter

## 7.3 Efficiency of Separation

### 1) Total and Grade Efficiencies

$M$ : solids mass rate to cyclone

$M_f$ : fine solids mass flow rate leaving cyclone with gas

$M_c$ : Coarse solids mass flow rate leaving from orifice

Total:  $M = M_f + M_c$

Component:  $M \frac{dF}{dd_p} = M_f \frac{dF_f}{dd_p} + M_c \frac{dF_c}{dd_p}$

Total efficiency:  $E_T = \frac{M_c}{M}$

Grade efficiency:  $G(d_p) = \frac{M_c \frac{dF_c}{dd_p}}{M \frac{dF}{dd_p}} = E_T \frac{\frac{dF_c}{dd_p}}{\frac{dF}{dd_p}}$

### 2) Simple Analysis for Particle Collection

Figure 7.3

At equilibrium orbit,  $r$

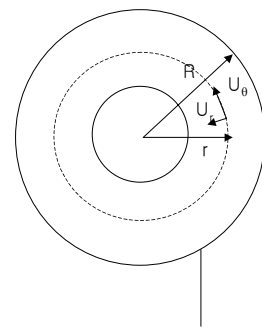
$$3\pi d_p^3 U_r = \frac{\pi d_p^3}{6} (\rho_p - \rho_f) \frac{U_\theta^2}{r}$$

$$F_D \qquad F_C - F_B$$

where  $U_\theta r^{1/2} = \text{constant}$

for confined vortex

$$= U_{\theta R} R^{1/2}$$



$$U_r r = \text{constant}$$

for radially inward flow

$$= U_R R$$

$$\therefore d_p^2 = \frac{18\mu}{\rho_p - \rho_f} \frac{U_R}{U_{\Theta R}^2} r$$

where  $r$  : the radius of the equilibrium orbit  
(displacement) for a particle of diameter  $d_p$

For all the particles to be collected,  $r \geq R$

$$d_{p, \text{crit}}^2 = \frac{18\mu}{\rho_p - \rho_f} \frac{U_R}{U_{\Theta R}^2} R$$

where  $d_{p, \text{crit}}$  : Critical (minimum) diameter

of the particles to be collected

↓

or

If  $d_p > d_{p, \text{crit}}$ ,  $G(d_p) = 1$  and otherwise,  $G(d_p) = 0$

**Grade efficiency curve** ( $G(d_p)$  vs.  $d_p$ )는 진정 step function인가?

### 3) Cyclone Grade Efficiency in Practice

#### More Practical Analysis

Leith and Licht (1980)

Velocity distribution

$$U_{\Theta} r^m = \text{constant}$$

$$\text{where } m = 1 - (1 - 0.67D_c^{0.14}) \left( \frac{T}{283} \right)^{0.3}$$

**Grade efficiency**

$$G_N(d_p) = 1 - \exp(-\Psi d_p^M)$$

$$\text{where } M = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

$$\Psi = 2 \left[ \frac{K Q \rho_p C_c (m+1)}{18 \mu D^3} \right]^{M/2}$$

$K$  : **geometric configuration parameter**

∴ **Grade efficiency curve for cyclone - Figure 7.4, Figure 7.6**

**Why not a step function?** ⇐ **distorted due to velocity fluctuation  
particle-particle interaction**

∴  $d_{p,50}$  and  $St_{50}$  in stead of  $d_{p,crit}$  and  $St_{crit}$

↑  
 $G_N(0.5)$

↑  
 $G_N(1.0)$

## 7.4 Scale-Up of Cyclones

### Design of Cyclone

From both *theoretical and actual* analysis for given cyclone,

$$St_{50} \left( \equiv \frac{\rho_p d_{p,50}^2 U}{18 \mu D} \right) \sim constant \rightarrow d_{p,50} \propto \sqrt{\mu D^3 / \rho_p Q}$$

$$Eu \left( \equiv \frac{\Delta p}{\rho_f U^2 / 2} \right) \sim constant \rightarrow \Delta p \propto Q^2 / D^4$$

↑    ↑  
**independent**     $U = Q / \frac{\pi}{4} D^2$   
of  $Re$

### Standard Cyclone Designs - dimension

#### Figure 7.5

For suspension concentration less than  $\sim 5\text{g/m}^3$

- **High efficiency Stairmand cyclone:**

$$St_{50} = 1.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ and } Eu = 320$$

- **High flow rate Stairmand cyclone**

$$St_{50} = 6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ and } Eu = 46$$

Approximately

$$Eu = \sqrt{\frac{12}{Stk_{50}}}$$

$$\text{Practical grade efficiency} = \frac{\left(\frac{d_p}{d_{p,50}}\right)^2}{1 + \left(\frac{d_p}{d_{p,50}}\right)^2}$$

for typical dimension

Figure 7.6

## 7.5 Range of Operation

Efficiency and pressure drop Figure 7.7

From theory,  $E_T \uparrow$  as  $q \uparrow$

But! there is maximum  $E_T$  due to re-entrainment of separated solids at high  $q$ ...

Recommended range of  $\Delta p$ : 500 to 1500Pa...

In this range  $E_T \uparrow$  as  $q \uparrow$ ....

### N cyclones in parallel

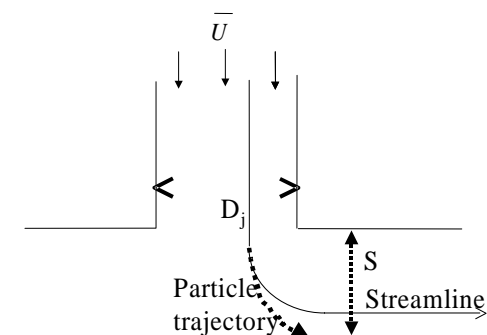
처리량이 많으면 한 개의 cyclone으로는 부족하다.. 그래서 여러 개를 병렬 연결하여 처리한다.

$$Q \rightarrow Q/N$$

Worked Example 7.1

Worked Example 7.2

## 7.6 Aerosol Impactor





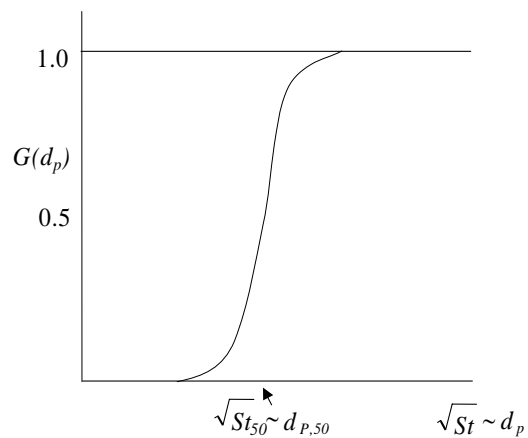
In general, for inertial motion of particles from Chapter 3,

$$G(d_p) = f\left(St(d_p), Re, \frac{S}{D_j}\right)$$

where  $St(d_p) = \frac{\tau(d_p)\bar{U}}{D}$

For given geometry ( $S/D_j$ )

$$0.5 = f(St_{50}, Re) \rightarrow St_{50} = f_1(Re)$$



From numerical and/or experimental analysis

$St(d_p)$ : almost independent of  $Re$

Or for  $500 < Re < 3000$  and  $S/D > 1.5$

For circular nozzle,  $St_{50} = 0.22$

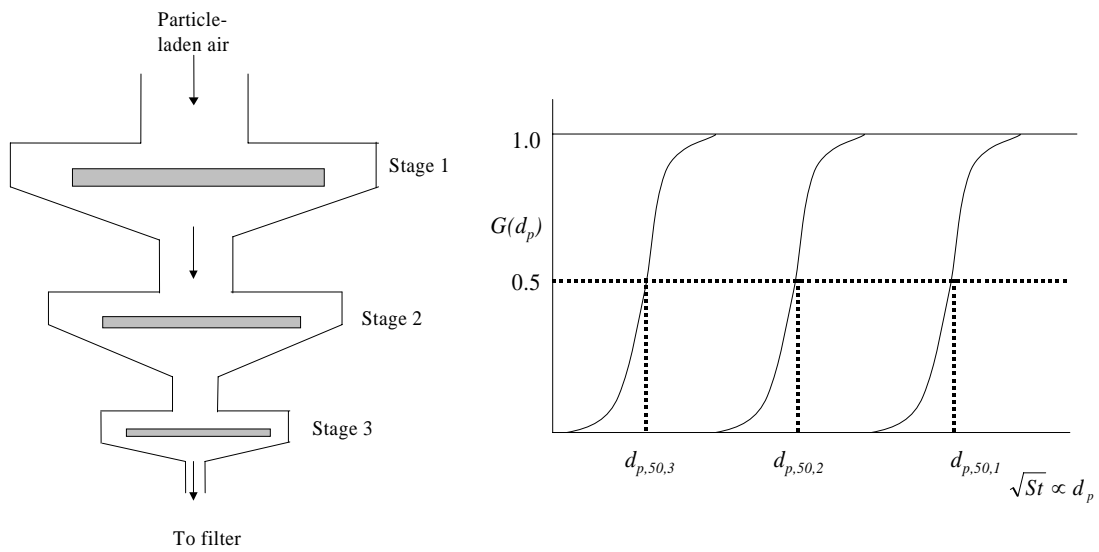
For rectangular nozzle,  $St_{50} = 0.53$

$$\therefore d_{p,50} = \left[ \frac{9\mu DS_{50}}{\rho_p UC_c} \right]^{1/2}$$

작은 입자를 잡으려면 노즐 입경을 줄이고, 유속을 올리는 방법과  $C_c$ 를 올리는 방법이 있다.

$C_c$ 를 올리려면 어떻게 해야 하나?

## \* Cascade impactor



- Measurement of *particle size distribution*
- *Classification* of particles