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SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION

The reaction of coal, oil, or natural gas with air and oxygen and/or steam yields a gas containing varying amounts of impurities. Depending on the raw material and the end use of the product, these impurities include solids, such as dust or slag, and gases, such as hydrogen sulfide, carbon dioxide, and nitrogen.

Considerable effort has been expended in developing and operating purification systems, and the literature is replete with equipment data and operating results. The research problems, the design, and the operation of the various systems have been the subjects of patent applications, journal articles, and textbooks.

The Bureau of Mines is developing processes using synthesis gas from coal for producing liquid and gaseous fuels. Removal of sulfur compounds from the gas is an integral part of the program; consequently, the literature has been searched to facilitate the Bureau's work. This report is a compilation of references, with abstracts of the information dealing with one phase of the subject. It is concerned with removal of hydrogen sulfide gas from a gas stream and covers the literature from January 1, 1950, through December 1957 and should be helpful to other investigators.

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1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 701e.

Industrial gases are purified by passing over a catalyst prepared by the reaction of FeSO₄ and lime and atmospheric oxidation of the product to form Fe₂O₃ and CaSO₄. Optimum temperature is 110° F. Space velocity for coal gas is 50-150 l/hr. and for producer gas is 150-250 l/hr.

127. _____. (Removal of Organic Sulfur Compounds From Industrial Gases.) Indian Patent 55,817, July 31, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 701f.

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Hot K₂CO₃ solution process to remove CO₂ and H₂S under high pressure.

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H₂S, other inorganic constituents such as He, H, N, CO, CO₂, and H₂S, and hydrocarbons are separated in substantially pure form by means of 2 continuous selective adsorption and 2 extraction columns. Charcoal is preferred as an adsorbent; but other substances, such as silica, Al₂O₃, activated Fe oxide, or Cr oxide may be used. A 30-percent aqueous solution of diethanolamine is preferred extraction medium. Other alkaline solution may also be used.

131. BERGWERKS-VERBAND ZUR VERWERTUNG VON SCHUTZRECHTEN DER KOHLENTCHNIK G. m. b. H. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 772,905, Apr. 17, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 108781.

Larger part of H₂S is removed selectively by spraying with ammoniacal liquor, with a retention time of the scrubbing fluid in the gas of below 1.0 second, preferably 0.1 second or less, and the velocity of the gas flow of at least 3 meters per second. The rest of the H₂S is removed by dry purification.

In an experiment the gas is brought into contact with a spray of ammoniacal liquor in a second unpacked stage, and then in a packed first stage with the liquor from the second stage.

132. _____. (Sulfur Removal From Industrial Gases.) German Patent 928,486, June 2, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 2383g.

H₂S can be selectively removed from gas mixtures containing other acidic gases, such as CO₂, by washing with ammoniacal solutions at optimum gas velocity. Various concentrations of NH₃ and various pressures can be used. Gas is washed first in a chamber with baffles and then in a spray chamber. Wash solution can be

recirculated. Removal of up to 90 percent S from 1,000 m.³ of gas at high pressure requires only 0.2 m.³ of 8-percent NH₃ solution.

133. BIRKS, F. M. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Fuel Gases. British Patent 735,467, Aug. 24, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 2957d.

H₂S is removed from fuel gas by treatment with iron oxide by passage through a stationary cylindrical vessel. Vessel can be rotated about its axis, which is horizontal or slightly inclined.

134. BLOCH, H. S., AND MAMMEN, H. E. Gas Purification. U. S. Patent 2,781,863, Feb. 19, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 6982c.

Water and acidic gases, such as H₂S, are scrubbed from gas streams by essentially dry mixtures of water miscible glycols, glycol ethers, or glycol esters with a miscible liquid hydrocarbon such as xylene.

135. BLOHM, C. L., AND RIESENFIELD, F. C. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide and Carbon Dioxide From Hydrocarbon Gases. U. S. Patent 2,712,978, July 12, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 14300e.

Compounds of hydroxy amino alkyl ether class are used to remove acid gases and moisture. It has been found that BB'-hydroxy amino ethyl ether would require only 60 percent of the liquid circulation of a comparable plant using monoethanolamine as acid gas absorbent and diethylene glycol as moisture absorbents.

136. BROWN, J. T. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 666,055, Feb. 6, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 6366g.

H₂S-rich gas is pretreated by passing through an empty tower of special design, countercurrent to an aqueous suspension of hydrated iron oxide.

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By using solutions of monoethanolamine and diethylene glycol, continuous, simultaneous removal of H₂S, CO₂, and H₂O is achieved.

138. COLLIN, F. J., A. G. De-Acidification of Ammonia Liquor by Distillation. British Patent 701,986, Jan. 6, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 7884b.

H₂S and CO₂ are removed from NH₃ in a liquor obtained from scrubbing coal gas in the bubble-cap tower with special cup arrangement. The volatile constituents of gases are expelled in the preheating (60°-70° C.) and de-acidification (95°-90° C.) zones. NH₃ is reabsorbed in nonheated part of the system.

139. _____. Gas Purification. British Patent 695,214, Aug. 5, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 348h.

H₂S and NH₃ are washed by means of fresh water or gas condensate from a gas, especially a coal-distillation gas that also contains CO₂. First the gas is passed through a tower containing no packing, in which the washing medium is introduced as a mist. Second stage is a submersion water.

140. _____. Extraction of Sulfur From Fumes Containing Hydrogen

Sulfide. British Patent 748,037, Apr. 18, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 9108g.

Cyclic process, whereby H₂S and oxygen are allowed to react with (NH₄)₂S to produce the polysulfide, which at 125° C. and 2-6 atmospheres is reduced to sulfide and S.

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141. DAS GUPTA, N. N. (Solid Adsorbent.) Indian Patent 39,855, Nov. 9, 1949. Chem. Abs., vol. 44, 1950, p. 8022i.

Dust removed from blast furnaces is used as H₂S adsorbent. Porous substances, such as wood shavings and sawdust, may be added to this dust in 50:50 ratio.

142. DIDER-KOGAG-HINSELMANN KOKSOEFENBAU UND GASVERWERTUNG, A. G. Desulfurizing Coal Gas. British Patent 673,211, June 4, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 10588e.

H₂S is absorbed from gases with ammoniacal liquor, which is regenerated with aid of CO₂ from gas.

143. DIRECTIE VAN DE STAATSMIJNEN IN LIMBURG. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 650,843, Mar. 7, 1951. Chem. Abs., vol. 45, 1951, p. 6825h.

Ammonia-solution process for removing H₂S from gases. Solution contains ferrocyanide in suspension, with such an amount of NH₄ salt that iron ferrocyanide compounds are stabilized in the wash water.

144. _____. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 653,817, May 23, 1951. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 242a.

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145. DOUMANI, T. F. Separation of Acid Gases From Gaseous Mixtures. U. S. Patent 2,486,778, Nov. 1, 1949. Chem. Abs., vol. 44, 1950, p. 2207h.

Absorption of weakly acidic gases, such as H_2S , can preferably be accomplished by a mixture of crude nitrogen bases that have been hydrogenated at low temperatures and high pressure.

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Soda solution with a concentration of 1 percent Na_2CO_3 and NaHCO_3 equivalent to 2 percent Na_2CO_3 is used.

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147. FRAZIER, H. D. Dehydration and Amine Treatment of Gases. U. S. Patent 2,638,405, May 12, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 7202c.

An aqueous amine solution is used both for removing H_2S and dehydrating gases.

148. FRAZIER, H. D., AND RIESENFELD, F. C. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide and Carbon Dioxide From Gases by Absorption With Amines. U. S. Patent 2,608,462, Aug. 26, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 2462i.

A countercurrent amine absorption process is used. Amine entrainment is recovered by absorption in a portion of absorbent saturated with CO_2 .

149. FUJIOKA, ETSURO, AND OTHERS. (Removing Organic Sulfur Compounds From Water Gas.) Japanese Patent 435 (1955), Jan. 27, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 11688c.

Pyrite slug ground to 2-5-mm. particles is calcined for 4-5 hours at $500^\circ\text{--}600^\circ\text{C}$. The residue (100 parts) is heated 30 minutes at $80^\circ\text{--}90^\circ\text{C}$. with 60 parts of CrO_3 in 90 parts of water. The solution is removed and the residue heated for 2 hours at $100^\circ\text{--}200^\circ\text{C}$. and 2-3 hours at $200^\circ\text{--}450^\circ\text{C}$. to obtain the sulfur-removing agent.

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150. GAIN, W. C. Removal of Organic Sulfur Compounds From Hydrocarbon Gases. U. S. Patent 2,762,452, Sept. 11, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 1590c.

SiO_2 gel is used to remove organic sulfur compounds.

151. GAS LIGHT & COKE CO., AND GRIFFITH, R. H. Iron Oxide Reagent. British Patent 636,560, May 3, 1950. Chem. Abs., vol. 44, 1950, p. 7516f.

Preparation of mechanically strong nodules of hydrated iron oxide for removing H_2S in fuel gases.

152. GASTECHNIK, G. M. B. H. Hydrogen Sulfide Removal From Gases. British Patent 683,432, Nov. 26, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 4585f.

Moving bed of pelleted hydrated iron oxide is used to remove H_2S from a gas in tower purifiers.

153. GASTECHNIK, G. m. b. H. Hydro-
gen Sulfide Removal From Gases.
British Patent 740,662, Nov. 16,
1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956,
p. 9721g.

Use of a second tower in an H_2S -
removal system is described in which
fresh oxide is used as the absorbent.

154. GESELLSCHAFT FÜR LINDE'S
EISMASCHINEN A. G. (Washing Out
 CO_2 and H_2S From Raw Gases.)
German Patent 929,808, July 4,
1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958,
p. 2383e.

CO_2 and H_2S are absorbed by organic
solution, such as acetone, $MeCOEt$, and
 $MeCOPr$. Halides of Al, Be, Sn, Ti,
and bivalent Mg (in $MeOH$) can be used
as the metal salts (promoter).

155. GESELLSCHAFT FÜR LINDE'S
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GESELLSCHAFT FÜR WARMETECHNIK,
m. b. H. Purification of Synthesis
and Fuel Gases. British Patent
692,804, June 17, 1953. Chem.
Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 1657f.

H_2S and other constituents such as
 CO_2 , organic sulfur compounds, and
hydrocarbons are absorbed with a polar
washing agent, for example $MeOH$, at
< $0^\circ C$, and under a pressure of at
least 2 atmospheres.

156. GILMORE, F. E. Control of Gas
Treatment. U. S. Patent 2,695,836,
Nov. 30, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol.
49, 1955, p. 2712h.

In wet process for removing H_2S
and other acidic constituents, under-
treatment due to restricted flow or
failure of the absorption medium is
avoided by continuous measurement of
volume of absorption medium.

157. GOLLMAR, H. A. Gas Desulfuri-
zation. U. S. Patent 2,490,799,
Dec. 13, 1949. Chem. Abs., vol.
44, 1950, p. 1679a.

Absorption process for removing
 H_2S by means of an alkali metal car-
bonate solution is modified by re-
activating the spent solution by
aeration at 20° - $30^\circ C$. and under a
vacuum in excess of 9 pounds per
square inch.

158. _____. Gas Purification.
U. S. Patent 2,675,296, Apr. 13,
1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954,
p. 8522b.

NH_3 spraying is used to remove tar
and moisture first. Gas is then
scrubbed with an aqueous alkaline so-
lution, such as Na_2CO_3 , to remove
virtually all the H_2S , HCN , and
ammonia.

159. _____. Purification of Gases
From the Hot Vacuum-Actification
Process. U. S. Patent 2,671,008,
Mar. 2, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol.
48, 1954, p. 6102d.

Hot vacuum-actification process is
improved by freeing the gases stripped
in the actification stage from $C_{10}H_8$
and NH_3 by scrubbing with some
absorbents.

160. GOTTFRIED BISCHOFF G. m. b. H.
Purification of Gases. British
Patent 700,249, Nov. 25, 1953.
Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p.
5469e.

Improved scheme of arranging gas-
purifying apparatus, particularly
for removing H_2 from industrial
gases, is presented.

161. GROSOKINSKY, O., AND KLEMP, W. Purification of Industrial Gases. British Patent 750,275, June 13, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 14213c.

Scrubbing with an 8-percent aqueous NH_3 is used to remove H_2S and CO_2 .

162. GUINOT, H. M., AND OTHERS. Removal of H_2S From Gases. British Patent 769,854, Mar. 13, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 10878f.

The H_2S in coal gas is easily removed by oxidation to sulfur by scrubbing with $\text{Fe}(\text{OAc})_3$ solution and oxygen.

II

163. HAENSEL, V. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gas Streams. U. S. Patent 2,733,979, Feb. 7, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 8179e.

A suspension of Fe_2O_3 in a polyhydric alcohol (for example, ethylene or diethylene glycol).

164. HAMBURGER GASWERKE G. m. b. H. Removal of Nitric Oxide, Hydrogen Cyanide, and Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 670,028, Apr. 9, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 8353c.

Three-stage iron oxide box process is used to remove the acid gases.

165. HARPENER, BERGBOU A. G. (Purification of Coke-Oven Gas.) German Patent 927,649, May 13, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 2383d.

Conventional countercurrent washing technique is modified by fractional distillation of ammoniated solutions,

thus raising their NH_3 concentration to 7-20 percent which deacidifies them in same process. Improved yields and better grain size of $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ are obtained.

166. HAWKES, C. T. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. U. S. Patent 2,689,164, Sept. 14, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 14137h.

Hydrogen sulfide and cyanide are absorbed with an aqueous alkaline suspension of hydrated iron oxide and carbonate. Solution is regenerated by oxidation with air or oxygen.

167. HIDAKA, TSUYOSHI. (Removal of Sulfur From Gases by Use of Carbon-Containing Ash From Producer.) Japanese Patent 3128 (1956), Apr. 26, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 10036a.

A gas containing CO_2 16, CO 32, H_2 33, N_2 17.4, CH_4 1.6 percent, H_2S 1.8 grains per cubic meter and organic gaseous sulfur compounds 0.109 grain per cubic meter is passed through an ash obtainable from Winkler gas producers, containing C 42, volatile substances 1.4, ash 55.1, and water 1.5 percent, for 15 days at a rate of 80 volumes per volume of the ash. This removes 100 percent of the H_2S and 94 percent of the sulfur. Ash containing 6 percent H_2O or moistened with 1-11 percent ZnCl_2 gave still better efficiency.

168. HIDAKA, TSUYOSHI, AND OTHERS. (Recovery of Hydrogen Sulfide in the Gaseous Mixture as Free Sulfur.) Japanese Patent 4338 (1952), Oct. 22, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 8997d.

Dry $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ with 2 percent NaOH is used as an adsorbent of H_2S . Sulfur is freed by means of oxidation process.

169. HOGG, H., AND ENGEL, W. R. Removal of Sulfur and Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 733,004, July 6, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 16402e.

Catalytic combustion process to remove H_2S from gaseous effluent.

170. HOLMES, W. C., & CO., LTD., AND PRIESTLEY, J. J. Crude Sulfur Sludge. British Patent 653,304, May 9, 1951. Chem. Abs., vol. 45, 1951, p. 8745c.

Sulfur is recovered from a crude sludge, produced in a wet process for removal of H_2S from fuel gas.

171. HUMPHREYS & GLASGOW, LTD., AND PHILLIPS, I. H. Removing Hydrogen Sulfide From a Gas Mixture With a Purification Material and Then Revivifying That Material. British Patent 681,551, Oct. 29, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 5667e.

A material containing $Fe(OH)_3$ is employed to remove H_2S from gas. Reactivation of material is achieved by oxidation with air or other oxygen-containing material.

172. HUMPHREYS AND GLASGOW, LTD., HOLMES, W. C., & CO., LTD., AND THORNE, W. F. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases. British Patent 670,654, Apr. 23, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 83521.

Vertical panels are inserted in iron oxide boxes to promote uniform distribution of packing and to facilitate withdrawal of oxide.

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173. JAHNIG, C. E., AND CORROWSKI, E. J. Gas Desulfurization. U. S.

Patent 2,671,723, Mar. 9, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 6676c.

H_2S contained in a gas from a gasifier can be oxidized to sulfur by intimate contact with fresh spent char at about 204°-538° F. The weight ratio of char to sulfur in gas for most effective desulfurization is of the order 6 : 50.

174. JOHANNSEN, A., DAKZ, W., AND OTHERS. Gas-Purification Masses Containing Sulfur. U. S. Patent 2,768,959, Oct. 30, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 696b.

Recovery of valuable catalytic substances from sulfur-containing catalysts or for regeneration of catalysts that have been poisoned by absorption of sulfur. Roasting furnaces are employed within a temperature range of 400°-1,100° C.

175. JORDAN, J. T. Absorbing Gases, Including Hydrogen Sulfide. U. S. Patent 2,594,557, Apr. 29, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 7316f.

Two-stage operation of gas absorption by oil in a gasoline plant.

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176. KAWASUMI, S., AND YASUHARA, K. (Removal of Sulfur Compounds From Gases.) Japanese Patent 1518 (1956), Mar. 3, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 6128f.

Coke-oven gas (500 m.³) containing 14-15 grains sulfur per 100 m.³ is passed through a catalyst tower filled with 8 l. kieselguhr- V_2O_5 - K_2O -P catalyst (5 percent V_2O_5) heated at 250° C. to decrease content of sulfur to 0.5-0.8 grain per 100 m.³

177. KOPPERS, H., G. m. b. H. Recovery of Hydrogen Sulfide. British Patent 676,396, July 23, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 11646i.

H₂S and other acidic gases are separated from coke-oven gas or illuminating gas by NH₃ scrubbing.

178. _____. (Removal of Acidic Constituents From Gases.) German Patent 929,986, July 7, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 2383f.

HCN, H₂S, and NO can be removed from coke-oven gases by passing through absorbing material containing hydrated FeO and alkali obtained from the processing of Al.

179. KOPPERS CO., INC. Separation of Acid Gases From Coal Gases. British Patent 675,348, July 9, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 10589b.

Vapors from reactivator of hot vacuum process are treated to prevent stoppages in lines and equipment.

180. KREBS & CO. (The Removal of the Hydrogen Sulfide From Waste Gases.) Swiss Patent 289,062, June 16, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 6102f.

A slight excess of Cl on basis of H₂S content is added to the waste gas and passed through two scrubbers. The HCl formed is removed in the first scrubber by H₂O. The excess Cl is removed by conversion to NaOH in the second scrubber, which is packed with rings and sprayed with diluted NaOH. The H₂S, unreacted, is oxidized to sulfur or H₂SO₄ by NaOCl.

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181. LEUTZ, K. E. Gas Desulfurization. U. S. Patent 2,641,526, June 9, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 8358i.

H₂S is absorbed selectively in presence of CO₂ from a gas with an aqueous suspension of Fe(OH)₂. Suspension is reactivated by oxidation.

182. _____. Gas Desulfurization. U. S. Patent 2,641,527, June 9, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 8359a.

Selective removal process of H₂S by means of Fe(OH)₂ suspension and consequent regeneration of suspension by air oxidation.

183. _____. Desulfurizing Mineral-Oil Distillates. U. S. Patent 2,641,571, June 9, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1953, p. 8359d.

Fe(OH)₂ suspension is employed to remove H₂S from a light mineral oil distillate.

184. _____. Removal of Objectionable Sulfur Compounds From Mineral-Oil Distillates. U. S. Patent 2,616,834, Nov. 4, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 1927c.

An aqueous suspension of iron oxide (0.05-0.8 mole per liter) is used to remove H₂S from a light mineral distillate. Solution is regenerated by oxidation.

185. LUEG-ALTHOFF, R. Gas Desulfurization. British Patent 711,008, June 23, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 14166c.

H₂S is absorbed selectively in presence of CO₂ with an aqueous solution of ammonia using short contact time.

186. LUNDSTED, L. G., AND SCHULZ, W. F. Totally Hydroxypropylated Alkylenediamines. U. S. Patent 2,697,118, Dec. 14, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 15951c.

Compounds can be used as absorbents for acidic gases such as H₂S and CO₂.

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187. MARSH, J. D., AND NEWLING, WILLIAM, B. S. Recovery of Sulfur From Gases Containing Hydrogen Sulfide. British Patent 769,995, Mar. 13, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 11675f.

Catalytic oxidation of H₂S and SO₂ to sulfur is performed as a continuous process. An activated Al₂O₃ is used as a catalyst.

188. MCCARTNEY, E. R. Extraction of Acidic Impurities and Moisture From Gases. U. S. Patent 2,547,278, Apr. 3, 1951. Chem. Abs., vol. 45, 1951, p. 5912c.

An acid gas absorption process with amine and glycol solutions is improved by returning the condensate from the first heating zone to second for use as reflux.

189. McCLENDON, E. A. Portable Gas Purifier. U. S. Patent 2,616,513, Nov. 4, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 849b.

An aqueous monoethanolamine solution (15-20 percent) is employed to remove H₂S and other acid gases from small volumes of gases.

190. METALLGESELLSCHAFT, A. G. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Hydrogenation Product. British Patent 769,510, Mar. 6, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 10878d.

H₂S dissolved in liquid product of catalytic hydrogenation is stripped by gas.

191. MILLER, B. E. Recovery of Sulfur From Natural Gas Containing Hydrogen Sulfide. U. S. Patent 2,771,964, Nov. 27, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 11675d.

H₂S is adsorbed by SiO₂ gel. H₂S is desorbed by heating.

192. MIYAKE, K., AND ITO, G. (Separation of Gases.) Japanese Patent 178,497 (1949), Apr. 16, 1949. Chem. Abs., vol. 45, 1951, p. 8730a.

An adsorbent for H₂S and other acidic gases such as SO₂, HX, and NO is made by treating aromatic or aliphatic amines, heterocyclic N compounds, or peat with NH₃ and mixing with an aldehyde condensate.

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193. NEWTON, A. S. Purifying Inert Gases. U. S. Patent 2,521,937, Sept. 12, 1950. Chem. Abs., vol. 44, 1950, p. 11047a.

An inert gas that contains an nonmetal compound, such as H₂S or H₂O is purified by heating the gas with U at a high temperature (200°-1,000° C.).

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194. ODELL, W. WILLIAM. Removal of Oxidizable Sulfur Compounds From

Gas. U. S. Patent 2,581,135, Jan. 1, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 3245b.

Removal of H_2S or organic sulfur from a natural gas by two-stage heating and reacting process is described. Kaolin, Al_2O_3 , iron oxide, or their mixtures are mentioned as suitable catalytic solids.

195. OTTO, C., & CO. G. m. b. H. Fuel-Gas Purification. British Patent 694,773, July 29, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 9657a.

H_2S is removed from a gas obtained from dry distillation of coal by scrubbing with concentrated NH_4OH at the bottom of a scrubber and with liquor from the NH_3 removal plus recycled, cooled, and desacidified liquor from the H_2S removal step.

P

196. PAULING, M. Gas Purification. British Patent 765,673, Jan. 9, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 9131i.

In a process for removing H_2S from gas by scrubbing with a solution of a weak alkali carbonate, NH_3 is added to the liquid product to produce NH_4 salts which are steam distilled from the solution.

197. PAULSEN, H. C. Regeneration of Ethanolamine Solutions From Gas Purification. U. S. Patent 2,716,136, Aug. 23, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 15215d.

Steam stripping and alkaline treatment with $Ba(OH)_2$, $Sr(OH)_2$, or $Ca(OH)_2$ are used to regenerate ethanolamine solution completely.

198. PAULSEN, H. C., EOLTZCLAW, J. B., AND McNAMARA, T. P. Recovery of Diethanolamine and Salts. U. S. Patent 2,701,750, Feb. 8, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 5817b.

Steam stripping of H_2S , caustic washing, and distillation to remove H_2O are used in order.

199. PHILLIPS, I. U. Removing Hydrogen Sulfide From a Gas Mixture With a Purification Material and Then Revivifying That Material. U. S. Patent 2,682,444, June 29, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 9657b.

Continuous sulfur removal by passing gas through a packed bed of hydrated iron oxide-containing material that moves progressively downward through a chamber. Iron oxide is continuously purified and returned to process.

200. PHILLIPS, I. H., AND HUMPHREYS & GLASGOW, LTD. Gas Purification. British Patent 672,546, May 21, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 46, 1952, p. 9289b.

A moving-bed iron oxide process is described.

201. PIPFIG, H. Sulfur From Gases Containing Hydrogen Sulfide. U. S. Patent 2,772,146, Nov. 27, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, 1558g.

Sulfur recovery from a gas containing H_2S by a process involving the steps of absorbing H_2S from the gas in an alkaline washing liquid including a free-oxygen-containing oxidizing agent at 20°-25° C.

202. PORTER, F. W. B., AND NORTHCOTT, R. P. Hydrogen Sulfide Removal. U. S. Patent 2,757,127, July 31, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 17413g.

Catalytic process to remove hydrogen sulfide from petroleum hydrocarbon.

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203. RANDLETT, H. E. Purification and Separation of Gaseous Mixtures. U. S. Patent 2,615,787, Oct. 28, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 1361f.

Steam is saved in regenerating alkaline solution used for H_2S and CO_2 absorption by simultaneously concentrating solution with enough steam and returning the excess condensate to lower part of tower.

204. REEVES, L. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Industrial Gases. British Patent 719,056, Nov. 24, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 7228a.

Process employs fluidized iron or manganese oxide at 150° - 700° C. to remove H_2S . Oxides are regenerated by heating under oxidizing condition.

205. ROBINSON, S. P. Desulfurization of Gases. U. S. Patent 2,551,905, May 6, 1951. Chem. Abs., vol. 45, 1951, p. 6825e.

A continuous process for removing organic sulfur and H_2S in which the gases are heated and desulfurized by contact with a stream of pebbles entering at about $1,000^{\circ}$ F. The pebbles are $1/4$ to $1/2$ inch in diameter and consist of a catalytic material such as bauxite and a metallic oxide acceptor for the sulfur.

206. ROYER, L. W. Gas Purification (Hydrogen Sulfide Removal). U. S. Patent 2,614,904, Oct. 21, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 1361h.

Solvents, such as kerosine, diethylbenzene, and especially aniline, have the selective absorptivity for H_2S from mixtures containing CO_2 .

207. RUHRCHEMIE A. G. Desulfurization of Gases. British Patent 697,204, Sept. 16, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 5469e.

An iron oxide is used in a vessel in which gas flow is upward at a rate which minimizes catalyst particle movement.

208. _____. Desulfurization of Gases. British Patent 772,917, Apr. 17, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 10879a.

Organic sulfur is converted catalytically to H_2S and removed.

209. RUHRCHEMIE A. G., and GOTTFRIED BISCHOFF, G. m. b. H. Removal of Organic Sulfur Compounds From Gases by Conversion Into H_2S . British Patent 769,664, March 13, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 10878e.

Organic sulfur compounds are converted to H_2S catalytically by means of 5 percent Ni on kieselguhr or dolomite.

S

210. SAILORS, H. R. Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide From Gases and Liquids. U. S. Patent 2,624,694, Jan. 6, 1953. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 7772f.

H₂S is removed from natural gas and other hydrocarbon gases with CaSO₄ in H₂SO₄.

211. SCHRAUB, F. Desulfurization of Gases. U. S. Patent 2,780,310, Feb. 5, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 5390h.

Sulfur recovery by passing foul gas up through a molded desulfurization material at 25° C. Solid material may be regenerated and reused.

212. SEIRE, WILLIAM A., JR. Processing Dilute Hydrogen Sulfide Streams. U. S. Patent 2,726,932, Dec. 13, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 8180a.

A gas is brought into contact with an excess of free oxygen in presence of a platinum catalyst to convert H₂S to SO₂ and SO₃ which are then absorbed by H₂SO₄. CO₂ is not absorbed.

213. SILVER, L. Treatment of Gases Rich in Hydrogen Sulfide. U. S. Patent 2,784,055, Mar. 5, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 6982d.

Ammonia is removed from hydrogen sulfide rich gas by a two-stage aqueous washing with introduction of air.

214. STALHED, J. L. Desulfurization of Carbureter Gas. U. S. Patent 2,755,179, July 17, 1956. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 6128g.

Carbureter or producer gas is desulfurized in a continuous process in which lumps of limestone or dolomite descend gravitationally in a column through which the sulfur-containing gas is rising countercurrently.

215. SZOMBATHY, KALMAN V. (Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide, Ammonia, and

Hydrocyanic Acid From Gases and Recovery of Ammonium Sulfate and Sulfur.) German Patent 923,156, Feb. 3, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 701c.

Scrubber uses a (NH₄)₂S₂O₃ solution containing 0.01-0.02 percent of a M-quinone (M = Mg, V, Cr, or Ce.). Gases are absorbed at 25°-30° C. and a pH of 8-9. Part of wash liquid is subsequently treated at 80° C. to convert the (NH₄)₂S₂O₃ to sulfur and (NH₄)₂SO₄, while other part is recycled.

T

216. TAKATA, NAOTO, AND OTHERS. (Purification of Carbon Dioxide.) Japanese Patent 8669 (1954), Dec. 28, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 50, 1956, p. 10356g.

Gas was passed into an absorption tower containing 30 kg. per m.³ NH₃ and 300 kg. per m.³ NH₄NO₃ at 10° C.

217. THIOSAN-GESELLSCHAFT WEIGEL & CO., G. m. b. H. Wet Purification of Gas. British Patent 709,772, June 2, 1954. Chem. Abs., vol. 48, 1954, p. 12395b.

H₂S and other acidic constituents can be removed from coal gas by scrubbing it in a packed tower with an alkaline, preferably ammoniacal solution. Air is also introduced from bottom of tower to oxidize H₂S.

218. THUMM, W., AND OTHERS. Sulfur From Hydrogen Sulfide and Sulfur Dioxide or Oxygen-Containing Gases. U. S. Patent 2,785,056, Mar. 12, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 51, 1957, p. 9108a.

Sulfur is obtained from H₂S and SO₂ or oxygen-containing gases by passing them through a series of catalysts.

219. TIERNEY, J. W. Selective Absorption of Hydrogen Sulfide in Methanol. U. S. Patent 2,813,126, Nov. 12, 1957. Chem. Abs., vol. 52, 1958, p. 4964b.

H₂S is absorbed from gaseous mixtures by MeOH. The H₂S-MeOH mixture is heated to recover H₂S, MeOH being regenerated for further use as an absorbent. Process is also used to prepare H₂S-MeOH stock solutions for manufacture of methanethiol.

V

220. VETROCOKE SOCIETÀ PER AZIONI. (Absorbing Carbon Dioxide and Hydrogen Sulfide From Gaseous Mixtures.) Italian Patent 470,758, Apr. 23, 1952. Chem. Abs., vol. 47, 1953, p. 10286a.

Na or K carbonate solution at 70°-75° C. and 10-13 atmospheres is used as absorbent. Absorbent is regenerated with waste vapors.

221. _____. Removal of Carbon Dioxide and Hydrogen Sulfide From Gaseous Mixtures. British Patent 728,738, Apr. 27, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 15297e.

Wet removal of H₂S and CO₂ by alkaline solution of Na₂CO₃ or K₂CO₃ at 10-20 atmospheres and 60°-85° C. is described.

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222. WALKER, R., WILKIN, C. R., COOPER, H. G., AND BROWN, J. T. Hydrogen Sulfide Removal From Gases. U. S. Patent 2,503,528, Apr. 11, 1950. Chem. Abs., vol. 44, 1950, p. 5570a.

H₂S is absorbed at a room temperature with a single aqueous carbonated alkaline suspension of a hydrated iron oxide, iron carbonate, and basic iron carbonate in series.

223. WYLIE, R. Removal of Carbon Dioxide and Hydrogen Sulfide From Gaseous Hydrocarbons. U. S. Patent 2,718,454, Sept. 20, 1955. Chem. Abs., vol. 49, 1955, p. 16415i.

Formation of emulsion in amine absorption process can be prevented by adding 0.5 percent or more of an alkaline salt or hydroxide solution.

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