## **INTRODUCING....**



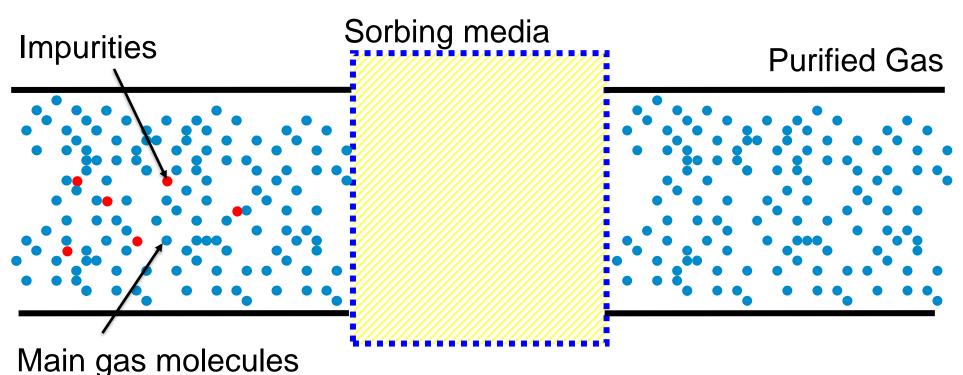
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# **TOPICS TO COVER**

- Introduction
- Gas Purification concept
- Technologies:
  - Getter
  - Reactive Catalyst
  - Catalytic
  - Adsorbers
- Media, Gas and Impurities table
- Bulk Purifiers
- Factors affecting cost
- Other topics to discuss



# **GAS PURIFICATION CONCEPT**



- Sorbing (purification) media do not react with main gas molecules
- Gaseous impurities react and are trapped into the sorbing media and removed from the main gas stream

#### **PURIFIER EXAMPLES**





#### **MULTIPLE PURIFICATION TECHNOLOGIES**

#### **Alloy Getters**



Typically Removes: CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, THC

#### **Catalysts/ Reactive Catalysts**



Typically Removes: CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, O<sub>2</sub>, NMHC

#### **Asorbants/Adsorbers**





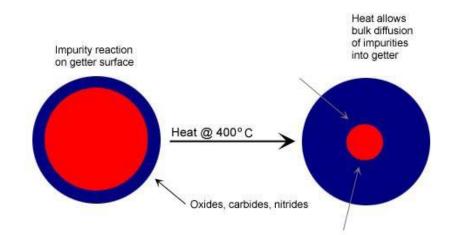
Typically Removes: H<sub>2</sub>0, CO<sub>2</sub>, NMHC



### **TECHNOLOGIES - GETTER**

# **Zirconium Alloys**

• Highly reactive with a variety of gas species CO, CO2, N2, O2, H2



- Reactions occur on the surface, products diffuse into the bulk, but only under heated atmosphere.
- Hydrogen is reversibly dissolved into solution in the getter, as a function of temperature...cold=more capacity, hot = less capacity.



# **TECHNOLOGIES - GETTER**

## **Zirconium Alloys**



## Advantages

- Best low temp technology that can remove N2 from inert gases
- Can be Nitrided or Hydrided for purifying N2, H2, and mixtures

#### Disadvantages

- Not regenerable, only replaceable
- Classed dangerous goods, spontaneously combustible
- High temperature operation (350 C), higher operational costs



## **TECHNOLOGIES - GETTER**

## **Zirconium Alloys**

# **Applications**



- Silicon & Silicon Carbide crystal growth Argon
- Sputtering PVD Argon/Nitrogen
- Analytical Instruments -- zero gas
- Optical Fiber Mfg-Helium





# **TECHNOLOGIES – REACTIVE CATALYST**

### **Reactive Catalysts**



- Transition metals; examples include Nickel and Copper
- Typically a high surface area metal deposited on inert substrates (alumina, silica, fluid purification/diatomaceous earth)
- Highly reactive with a variety of gas species
  - CO, CO2, H2, H2O, O2
- Reactions are surface area dependent





# **TECHNOLOGIES – REACTIVE CATALYST**

### **Reactive Catalysts**

### Advantages



- Operates efficiently at ambient temperatures
- Low COO as compared to getter technology
- Can be conditioned for purifying H2, wide gas compatibility (CO2, Halogens, Corrosives)
- Works with a wide range of gases, CO2, halogens, some corrosive and hydride gases

#### Disadvantages

- Limited capacity to remove light Hydrocarbons
- Classed dangerous goods, spontaneously combustible



# **TECHNOLOGIES – REACTIVE CATALYST**

#### **Reactive Catalysts**

# **Applications**



- Any Inert gas not requiring N2 or light Hydrocarbon (Methane) removal
- Nitrogen gas purification for venting purging applications
- Hydrogen use not requiring light Hydrocarbon (Methane) removal





# **TECHNOLOGIES – CATALYTIC**

### **Catalyst**

- Palladium/Platinum
- THINK--CATALYTIC CONVERTER!



- Low percentage of high surface area metal deposited on inert substrate
- Used to reduce THC, CO, H2, etc. from high PPM levels to low PPT levels
- True catalyst
  - Not consumed



# **TECHNOLOGIES – CATALYTIC**

## **Catalyst**

## Advantages

- No definitive lifetime
- No regeneration required
- Efficient removal of THC with no risk of exothermic reaction
- Many applications (CDA, CO2, O2, Noble Gases, etc)

# Disadvantages

- Operates at elevated temperature
- Requires downstream adsorbers to remove byproduct impurities
- High capital expenditure, and high COO





## **TECHNOLOGIES – CATALYTIC**

## **Catalyst**

## **Applications**

- UHP O2 applications
- Hydrocarbon removal from O2







## **TECHNOLOGIES – ABSORBERS**

### **Absorbers**

- Molecular sieves, silica gel, carbon (charcoal)
- Highly efficient for certain impurities
  - CO2, H2O, Acids, Bases, Heavy Hydrocarbons, etc.
- Removes impurities through physical adsorption
  - Pore size dependent
- Reactions occur on the surface with no diffusion into the bulk
  - Highly porous to increase surface area

# \*\*"OX" Purifier is an example\*\*





## **TECHNOLOGIES – ABSORBERS**

#### **Absorbers**

## Advantages

- Operates efficiently at ambient temperatures
- Regenerable

#### Disadvantages

- Will not remove light Hydrocarbons (Methane)
- Some are NOT regenerable





## **TECHNOLOGIES – ABSORBERS**

#### **Absorbers**





- Nearly any gas where moisture is the primary impurity to be removed
- Calibrated, or "Zero" gas for instrumentation
- Efficiently removes acids and bases
- Optical component purging





## **MEDIA, GAS AND IMPURITIES**



Class	Gases Purified	Impurities removed	Removal efficiency	•
С	Ar, He, Kr, Ne, Xe, N <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub>	CO, CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, NMHC, O <sub>2</sub>	< 100 PPT	Yes
CA	Ar, He, Kr, Ne, Xe, N <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub>	CO, CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, NMHC, O <sub>2</sub>	< 100 PPT	Yes
F	C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub> , C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub> , C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>8</sub> , CCIF <sub>3</sub> , CCI <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub> , CCI <sub>4</sub> , CF <sub>4</sub> , CHCIF <sub>2</sub> , CHF <sub>3</sub> , CH <sub>3</sub> F	CO, CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, NMHC, O <sub>2</sub>	< 100 PPT	No
ОХ	CDA, O <sub>2</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, NMHC, Amines, NOx	< 100 PPT	Yes
Т	BCI <sub>3</sub> , BF <sub>3</sub> , CL <sub>2</sub> , CIF <sub>3</sub> , F <sub>2</sub> , HBr, HCI, HF, NF <sub>3</sub> , SF <sub>4</sub> , WF <sub>6</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> O	< 100 PPT	No
W	Ar, He, Kr, Ne, Xe, H <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> O	< 100 PPT	Yes

#### **GAS BEING PURIFIED**

Not all gases that can possibly be purified with a given Class are listed. If you don't see your specific used gas, please contact Teesing.

• Never use purifier for a gas not specified in the model number without contacting Teesing first.







## WHAT INFORMATION DO WE NEED

- Gas to be purified some gases don't react well to some medias
- Impurities in the gas stream specifically which to be removed
- Inlet gas purity typically limited to 5Ns or better
- Nominal flow rate used in lifetime calculations, vessel sizing
- Purifier duty cycle used in lifetime calculations, vessel sizing
- Max flow rate vessel size, filtration options
- Max line pressure vessel design, system component specs
- Line diameter match with purifier to minimize pressure drop
- Desired outlet purity used in lifetime calculations, vessel sizing
- Particle filtration two options that impact max flow and pressure
   drop

# **SELECTION GUIDE**

# Physical aspects

- Diameter and length varies with nominal flow rates
- Inlet/outlet fittings
  - VCR is standard
  - Some purifier sizes offer optional sizes of VCR fittings
  - Weld stubs are optional
- Integral particle filtration
  - Sintered metal filter discs or sintered rod type filters are used to contain the media in the vessel
  - Inlet filters are always 0.1nm rated
  - Outlet filters can be either 0.1nm (-CR in the model number) or 0.003nm (-FP in the model number)



### **BULK PURIFIERS**

- 5Ns Inlet Purity Producing 9Ns or Better Outlet Purity
- PLC Automation, Optional Internet Connectivity for Upgrades, Service
- Menu Driven Touchscreen HMI, Multi-Level Password Access
- Versions for Protected or Unprotected Area
  Installation
- For Flow Rates to >5000 NM3/hr





## **BULK PURIFIERS**











## **FACTORS AFFECTING COST**

# Vessel sizing

- Stand alone purifiers lifetime target is 1 year between regen / replacement
- Larger flow rates = larger vessels to meet purity requirements
- Higher inlet impurity load = larger vessel to meet purity requirement
- Nominal flow rating = 1 yr of 24 h/d operation at 5Ns inlet purity

#### **Required flow rate**

- Larger vessels required to handle larger flows
- Larger line diameter = higher cost components like valves, fittings etc



## **FACTORS AFFECTING COST**

#### **Smaller particle filtration**

 Costs more, also may require larger vessels due to max flow specs per filter

#### **Uninterrupted flow requirement**

 May lead to dual vessel fully auto regen to eliminate downtime for vessel change out/factory regen



#### **OTHER TOPICS TO DISCUSS**

Lifetime of purifiers / Regeneration methods (can you do it yourself?)





### Thank you for your attention!



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