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Assignment Applied Chemistry

Q1) in Karachi there is shortage of drinking water though they have plenty of sea water.

which method do you suggest to them to converting sea water into drinking water and explain the method?

Ans) suggest method of solar power solar powered desalination unit.

device that transforms salt water into drinking water by converting the sun's energy to heat directly or indirectly, to drive the desalination process. Solar desalination mimics earth's natural water cycle.

(the process that generates rainfall) and has been practiced by humans as a rudimentary water-treatment process since the time of the ancient Greeks.

The design of a direct, or passive, unit, generically called a solar still, can be quite simple and inexpensive.

The salt water in the desalination unit is heated by the sun, converting the liquid to water vapour. As it is heated, the water vapour rises to the top of the unit, collects on the inside lid, and condenses back to liquid as fresh water.

in a separate collection container. The salt cannot change to a gas and therefore, remains in the original unit.

Direct solar desalination works well for purification but, because of the low operating temperature of the unit does not produce a lot of water per day. The amount of drinking water produced in a direct desalination unit is proportional to the surface area of the device.

The daily freshwater output per square metre of area is typically 2 to 3 litres (about 0.5 to 0.8 gallon), depending on the solar still design. The typically easy to operate design, however, make ideal for small scale needs of families in remote area, since the average person need about two litres of water per day to survive. The process is driven solely by solar energy, so weather conditions and variable solar intensity (due to the shifting position of the sun throughout the day) can negatively impact efficiency.

The output from a direct solar desalination unit is too low to be employed in a commercial operation.

Therefore indirect solar desalination method must be utilized to increase freshwater production. Indirect solar desalination combines two different

technologies. Solar energy collection (through the use of photovoltaic panels) is coupled with a proven desalination method such as multistage flash distillation, multiple effect evaporation or reverse osmosis. Employing renewable solar energy as a supplemental heat source can help to eliminate energy consumption of fossil fuels, significantly reducing operating costs and making commercial desalination plants viable.

Q3/a/ write the different between electronic and electrolytic conductors.

Ans/ Electronic conductors

- (i) flow of electricity take place without the decomposition of substance.
- (ii) conduction is due to the flow of electron.
- (iii) conduction decreases with increase in temperature.

(iv) An electronic conductor is an object or type of material which permits the flow of electric charges in one or more direction. For example a wire is an electronic conductor that can carry electricity along its length.

electronic conductors in general transport electronic charges from one point in a circuit to another.

Electrolytic Conductors:

- (i) flow of electricity take place by the decomposition of the substance.
- (ii) flow of electricity is due to the movement of ions.
- (iii) Conduction increases with increase in temperature.
- (iv) electrolytic conductor the electric charge are transported by free moving ions through a fluid. These are some hybrid conductors such as silver sulfide through about 80% of the current is conducted electrolytically and remainder electronic.

(b) Define the following

(i) Specific conductance:

specific conductance is the ability of a substance to conduct electricity.

it is the reciprocal of specific resistance. Conductance mean the flow of current through the liquid conductor. Specific conductance is define as conducting capacity of a solution of the dissolved electrolyte and the whole solution is being placed between two electrodes, are 1 sq. cm and length 1 cm .

- it is denoted by κ (kappa)
- it is the reciprocal of resistivity (ρ).
- it is also known as conductivity.
- ohm's Law states that the resistance of any substance is directly proportional to its length and inversely proportional to its area. So, ohm's law can be expressed as follows. Specific resistance of a conductor can be defined as the resistance of the conductor having a length of 1 cm and a cross-section area of 1 cm^2 .

(ii) Molar Conductance:

Molar conductivity is the conductance property of a solution containing one mole of the electrolyte or it is a function of the ionic strength of a solution or the concentration of salt. It is therefore not a constant.

OR

~~Molar~~ when one mole of an electrolyte is dissolved in a solution the ions produced in the solution are capable of conducting electricity.

Molar conductance is defined as the conducting power of the dissolved ions produced in the solution.

Molar conductance is denoted by

λ (lambda) and its unit is given by $S\text{ cm}^2\text{-mol}^{-1}$

(iii) Equivalent Conductance (Λ_e)

• it is defined as the conductance (or conducting power) of all the ions (of a solution) produce by dissolving one gram equivalent of an electrolyte in a particular solution.

• we can say that the conductance of an electrolytic solution depends on the concentration of the ions present in the solution.

• it is helpful to get comparable result for different electrolytes.

• Denoted by Λ_e .

• Equivalent Conductance (Λ_e) is calculated from specific conductance.

Q2) which type of problem are expected by using untreated water in boilers?

How can you prevent them?

Problems that arise in boilers:

These are several problem within a boiler system which require chemical treatment or other mechanical means to treat them.

The major problems are:

• scale

• Corrosion

• Boiler water carryover

• Sludge Deposition

The can cause problem in all parts of the system starting with the feed tank leading through the boiler then to the condensate system. The problem arise from the quality of the water used within the steam raising system and the way in which the system is operated in the industry. In extreme cases, steam boilers can explode causing much damage and even death. So for this reason that strict standards have arisen on how to treat and maintain boilers and associated systems.

Common Boiler Problems,

Poor water Treatment

Prevention of Scaling:

The need for proper feedwater treatment is obvious for prevention of scaling or buildup if you will consider the comparison of an industrial or commercial boiler and a pot of boiling water on the stove.

The boiler is actually an oversized distillery in that the water entering the boiler is vaporized to steam leaving the solid behind. Depending on the amount

of solid in the water of hardness, the residue in some time visible when a pot containing water is boiled until all the water is vaporized
prevention of Corrosion:

The most effective method of controlling Corrosion with in the boiler is proper deaeration of the water. The removal of oxygen from the water drastically reduces the potential for corrosion. This is most often accomplished through the use of deaerators. These unit typically utilized Steam. to both preheat the feedwater and remove the oxygen carbon dioxide, and other gases from the make up water. Oxygen scavenging chemical are also commonly injected into the deaerator to provide and additional measure of protection. Additionally boiler steam down, or feed water, has generally supplied chemical at a controlled rate for even further protection.

Q9 | How can you say that your domestic water sample contains hardness and suggest any one method for estimation of hardness of water.

Ans | Suggest the EDTA Titration

- permanent hardness is usually determined by titrating it with a standard solution of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, EDTA.

- The EDTA is a complexing or chelating agent used to capture the metal ions. This causes the water to become softened, but the metal ions are not removed from the water.

- This method includes a series of titrations to determine the total, permanent, temporary, Ca, Mg hardness of the given water sample.

- First the EDTA soln. is standardized by titrating it against a standard CaCl_2 solution and its normality is found out. End point is appearance of steel blue color.

- Then the total hardness is found out by titrating the water sample (added buffer soln and EBT indicator) against the standardized EDTA solution with end point as the same steel blue colour.

$$\text{Hardness} = N \times 50 \times 1000 \quad (N - \text{Normality})$$

- The permanent hardness is found out by titrating a boiled and filtered hard water sample against EDTA solution.
- Temporary hardness is found by subtracting the permanent hardness from the total hardness.
- The Ca hardness is found by titrating the water sample (added 2N NaOH, murexide indicator) against EDTA solution. Here the end point is the appearance of purple color. if necessary the Mg hardness is found by subtracting the Ca hardness from total hardness.