

TubeFloc - Equations

Equation 1

$$1 - \frac{N}{N_0} = \frac{(N/N_0)_{\max} t}{K_S + t}$$

or it also can be represented as:

$$\frac{N}{N_0} = \frac{K_S + t - (N/N_0)_{\max} t}{K_S + t}$$

where

N is the effluent turbidity [-]

N_0 is the maximum/initial effluent turbidity during settling state [-]

$(N/N_0)_{\max}$ is the maximum value that the hyperbolic function will asymptotically approach to.

t is the time [T]

K_S is the rate of settling flocs [T].

Terminal velocity is the velocity of the flocs settling in the column.

$$v = \frac{L}{t}$$

where

v is the terminal velocity [L/T²]

L is the distance of the column above turbidimeter [L]

t can be redefined as:

Equation 2

$$t = \frac{L^2}{v}$$

substitution of Equation (2) in Equation (1) yields:

Equation 3

$$1 - \frac{N}{N_0} = \frac{(N/N_0)_{\max} L}{K_S v + L}$$

Reciprocating both axes in Equation 3 gives:

Equation 4

$$L / \left(1 - \frac{N}{N_0} \right) = \frac{K_S v}{(N/N_0)_{\max} L} + \frac{1}{(N/N_0)_{\max}}$$

For the experimental data that is less than number of window specify (at lower end), Equation 5a is used and Equation 5b is used at the upper end.

Equation 5a

$$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{2j} Y_j}{2j+1}$$

Equation 5b

$$\frac{\sum_{j=2j-n+1}^{n+1} Y_j}{2n-2j-1}$$

For any other experimental data in between these two condition, Equation 6 is used.

Equation 6

$$\frac{\sum_{j=i-n}^{i+n} Y_j}{2n+1}$$

where

w is the number of window (odd number)

Y is the data

n is the length of experimental data

m is $(w-1)/2$