Static optimization of methane chlorination process

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Chlorine derivatives have a very diverse field of application: in the production of various polymers, construction, food and textile industries.

Optimization of methane chlorination process is considered. Accepted assumptions:

- •reactor walls are thermally insulated;
- •the temperature of fuel and raw materials remain unchanged;
- •heat capacity and density of raw materials are constant;
- •this reactor is an object with concentrated parameters.

$$\begin{cases} G_{\mathrm{p.r}} \cdot c_{\mathrm{p.r}} \cdot \theta i n_{\mathrm{p.r}} + G_{\mathrm{t.r}} \cdot c_{\mathrm{t.r}} \cdot \theta_{\mathrm{t.r}} + q_r \cdot k \cdot x_b{}^m - G_{\mathrm{p.r}} \cdot c_{\mathrm{p.r}} \cdot \theta out_{\mathrm{p.r}} = 0 \\ G_{\mathrm{fl}} \cdot c_{\mathrm{fl}} \cdot \theta_{\mathrm{fl}} + \alpha \cdot G_{\mathrm{flob}} \cdot c_{\mathrm{flob}} \cdot \theta_{\mathrm{flob}} - G_{\mathrm{t.r}} \cdot c_{\mathrm{t.r}} \cdot \theta_{\mathrm{t.r}} = 0 \end{cases}$$

The main task in the process of methane chlorination is to maintain a given temperature inside the reactor. The air flow at the inlet to the furnace is selected as the control effect.

Table 2.1 Used notations

Name	Designatio	Numeric value	Dimensio
	n		n
Consumption of reaction	$G_{p.e}$	0,5	kg/s
gases			
Consumption of flue gases	$G_{m.e}$	0,02	kg/s
Fuel consumption	G_n	0,02	kg/s
Temperature of reaction	$ heta in_{p.arepsilon}$	100	°C
gases (inlet)			
Weight coefficients	q, r	1	-

To solve the problem of static optimization, we chose the quadratic optimality criterion where $\theta out_{p,r_{3aB}}$ - the set temperature of the reaction gases at the outlet:

$$I = \frac{1}{2} * q \left(\theta \text{out}_{\text{p.r}} - \theta \text{out}_{\text{p.r}_{\text{SAB}}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} * r * G_{\text{nob}}^2$$

To convert the conditional optimization problem to unconditional, we used the Lagrange function, where $\lambda 1$, $\lambda 2$ are Lagrange factors, $G_{\text{nob}}min$, $G_{\text{nob}}max$ are control constraints, and the inverse penalty function was used to take into account control constraints.

$$\begin{split} L &= \frac{1}{2} q \left(\theta \text{out}_{\text{p.r}} - \theta \text{out}_{\text{p.r}_{\text{3aB}}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} r \cdot \text{u}^2 + \lambda 1 \cdot (G_{\text{p.r}} \cdot c_{\text{p.r}} \cdot \theta i n_{\text{p.r}} + G_{\text{t.r}} \cdot c_{\text{t.r}} \\ &\cdot \theta_{\text{t.r}} + q_r \cdot k \cdot x_b{}^m - G_{\text{p.r}} \cdot c_{\text{p.r}} \cdot \theta o u t_{\text{p.r}}) + \lambda 2 \cdot (G_{\text{r}} \cdot c_{\text{r}} \cdot \theta_{\text{r}} \\ &+ \alpha \cdot G_{\text{nob}} \cdot c_{\text{nob}} \cdot \theta_{\text{nob}} - G_{\text{t.r}} \cdot c_{\text{t.r}} \cdot \theta_{\text{t.r}}) + k \cdot \left(\frac{1}{G_{\text{nob}}^{max} - G_{\text{nob}}} \right. \\ &+ \frac{1}{G_{\text{nob}} - G_{\text{nob}}^{max}} \end{split}$$

Necessary conditions for optimality

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta out_{p,r}} = 0, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_n} = 0, \frac{\partial L}{\partial G_{nor}} = 0$$

Gradient procedure

To find the minimum of the objective function, it was decided to choose a gradient procedure and compare it with the method of sequential quadratic programming.

$$\mathbf{G}_{\text{\tiny{\footnotesize \Pi OB}}}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{G}_{\text{\tiny{\footnotesize{\footnotesize \Pi OB}}}}^{(k)} - k^* \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta out_{\text{\tiny{\footnotesize p,\Gamma}}}^{(k)}}$$

Method of sequential quadratic programming.

This method is based on the strategy of active elections. The first step is to calculate the most probable point, the second is to create a sequence of points that most likely already coincide with the required solution.

The results of the search for minima are presented in the figures

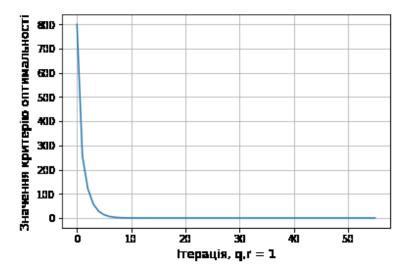


Figure 4.2 Graph of the optimality criterion depending on the iteration for the gradient procedure

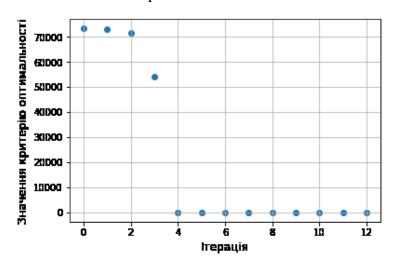


Figure 1.2. Graph of change of the optimality criterion for the method of sequential quadratic programming

The results of research have shown that the method of quadratic programming achieves results in fewer iterations and is therefore better.

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