


### Project 1 – Treatment Cost

- The objective of this project is to utilize, within given constraints, a prototype water filter system to design a full-scale system.
- The effectiveness of the filter design will be evaluated by the yearly **operational and maintenance costs**.




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#### Group Problem - Treatment Cost

Consider a prototype system with the following characteristics:

1. coagulant dosage of 25 mg/L
2. flowrate 1,000 mL/min
3. run time of 60 minutes
4. 2 inches of anthracite and 4 inches of filter sand
5. replace filter material once every five years
6. 4 prototype sedimentation tanks

Compute the total yearly cost of this system




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#### Coagulation and Flocculation Cost

The weight of coagulant (kg) required per gallon of treated water is estimated as:

$$wt_c \left[ \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{gal}} \right] = \left( \frac{25 \text{ mg}}{\text{L}} \right) \left( \frac{3.785 \text{ L}}{\text{gallon}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{kg}}{10^6 \text{ mg}} \right)$$

$$= 9.462 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg/gal}$$


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#### Coagulation and Flocculation Cost

The number of coagulation and flocculation units, *NCF*, required are:

$$NCF = \left[ \frac{2 \times 10^7 \text{ (gpd)}}{5 \times 10^6 \text{ (gpd)}} \right] \times 1.2$$

20% Factor of Safety

*NCF* = 4.8 or 5 units




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#### Coagulation and Flocculation Cost

The total yearly cost of the coagulation and flocculation system for 20 MGD is:

$$Cost_{CF} = 5 \left( \frac{\$25,000}{\text{year}} \right) + \left( 9.462 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{gal}} \right) \left( \frac{2 \times 10^7 \text{ gal}}{\text{day}} \right) \left( \frac{365 \text{ days}}{\text{year}} \right) \left( \frac{\$0.25}{\text{kg}} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{\$297,691}$$


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#### Sedimentation System Cost

Step 1 - Compute the prototype sediment tank **retention time** *t<sub>p</sub>*,

$$\text{Volume}_{\text{tank}} = 360 \text{ in.}^3 \left( \frac{\text{gallon}}{231 \text{ in.}^3} \right) = 1.56 \text{ gallons}$$

Four tanks are in operation

$$t_p = \frac{4 (1.56 \text{ gallons})}{\left( \frac{1,000 \text{ mL}}{\text{minute}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{L}}{1000 \text{ ml}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{gallon}}{3.785 \text{ L}} \right)} = 23.62 \text{ min}$$




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#### Sedimentation System Cost

Step 2 - The full-scale **treatment flowrate**  $Q_{ST}$  (gpm) per sedimentation tank is:


$$Q_{ST} = \frac{75,000 \text{ gallons}}{23.62 \text{ min}} = 3,175 \text{ gpm}$$


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#### Sedimentation System Cost

Step 3 - The **effective flowrate**  $Q_{SE}$  (gpm) in a sedimentation tank is:

$$Q_{SE} = 3,175 \text{ gpm} \left( \frac{60 \text{ minutes}}{90 \text{ minutes}} \right) = 2,117 \text{ gpm}$$


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#### Sedimentation System Cost

Step 4 - The number of full-scaled sedimentation tanks, **NS**, required to handle the daily volume is estimated as:

$$NS = \left[ \frac{2 \times 10^7 \text{ (gpd)}}{2,117 \text{ (gpm)}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{day}}{1,440 \text{ min}} \right] \times 1.2$$

20% increase for cleaning

$$= 7.87 \text{ tanks or } 8 \text{ tanks}$$


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#### Sedimentation System Cost

The operation and maintenance costs per tanks is \$35,000/tanks

The yearly cost for the sediment tanks is:

$$Cost_s = 8 \text{ tanks} \left( \frac{\$35,000}{\text{tank}} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{\$280,000}$$



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#### Filtration System Cost

Step 1 - Convert the average flowrate through the prototype filter (the 3.5 inch diameter prototype filter has an area of 0.0668 ft.<sup>2</sup>) into a prototype **filter loading rate**  $Q_F$  (gpm/ft.<sup>2</sup>).

$$Q_F = \left( \frac{1,000 \text{ mL}}{\text{minute}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{L}}{1,000 \text{ mL}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{gallon}}{3.785 \text{ L}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{0.0668 \text{ ft.}^2} \right)$$

$$= 3.955 \text{ gpm / ft.}^2$$


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#### Filtration System Cost

Step 2 - The full-scale **treatment flowrate**  $Q_{FT}$  is:

$$Q_{FT} = 3.955 \left( \frac{\text{gpm}}{\text{ft.}^2} \right) 1,000 \text{ ft.}^2$$

$$= 3,955 \text{ gpm}$$

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**Filtration System Cost**

Step 3 - Considering that each filter is inoperable during backwashing, the **effective flowrate**  $Q_{FE}$  is:

$$Q_{FE} = 3,955 \text{ gpm} \left( \frac{60 \text{ minutes}}{90 \text{ minutes}} \right)$$

$$= 2,637 \text{ gpm}$$

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**Filtration System Cost**

Step 4 - The number of full-scaled filters **NF** required to handle the daily volume is estimated as:

$$NF = \left[ \frac{2 \times 10^7 \text{ (gpd)}}{2,637 \text{ (gpm)}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{day}}{1,440 \text{ min}} \right] \times 1.2$$

20% increase for backwashing

$$= 6.32 \text{ filters or } 7 \text{ filters}$$


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**Filtration System Cost**

The yearly cost for the filters is:

$$Cost_F = 7 \text{ filters} \left( \frac{\$75,000}{\text{filter}} \right) = \boxed{\$525,000}$$

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**Filtration System Cost**

The yearly cost for anthracite is:


$$Cost_{FM_a} = (2 \text{ in.}) \left( \frac{\$9.50}{\text{ft.}^3} \right) \left( \frac{\text{ft.}}{12 \text{ in.}} \right) (1,000 \text{ ft.}^2) \left( \frac{NF}{5} \right)$$

The yearly cost for sand is:

$$Cost_{FM_s} = (4 \text{ in.}) \left( \frac{\$5.90}{\text{ft.}^3} \right) \left( \frac{\text{ft.}}{12 \text{ in.}} \right) (1,000 \text{ ft.}^2) \left( \frac{NF}{5} \right)$$

Material replaced every 5 years

$$Cost_{FM} = \$2,217 + \$2,753 = \boxed{\$4,970}$$

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**Total Treatment System Cost**

**Total Cost = \$297,691**      Coagulation

+ \$280,000      Sedimentation

+ \$525,000      Filtration

+ \$4,970      Filtration Media

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**Total Treatment System Cost**

**Total Cost =** **\$1,107,661**



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Any questions?

