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Fabric Filters – Principles, Process and Best Practices



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Today's presentation

- Principles of Fabric Filtration Technology
- Coal-Fired EGU Process Effects on Flue Gas
- Operation and Maintenance Best Practices
- Product Development

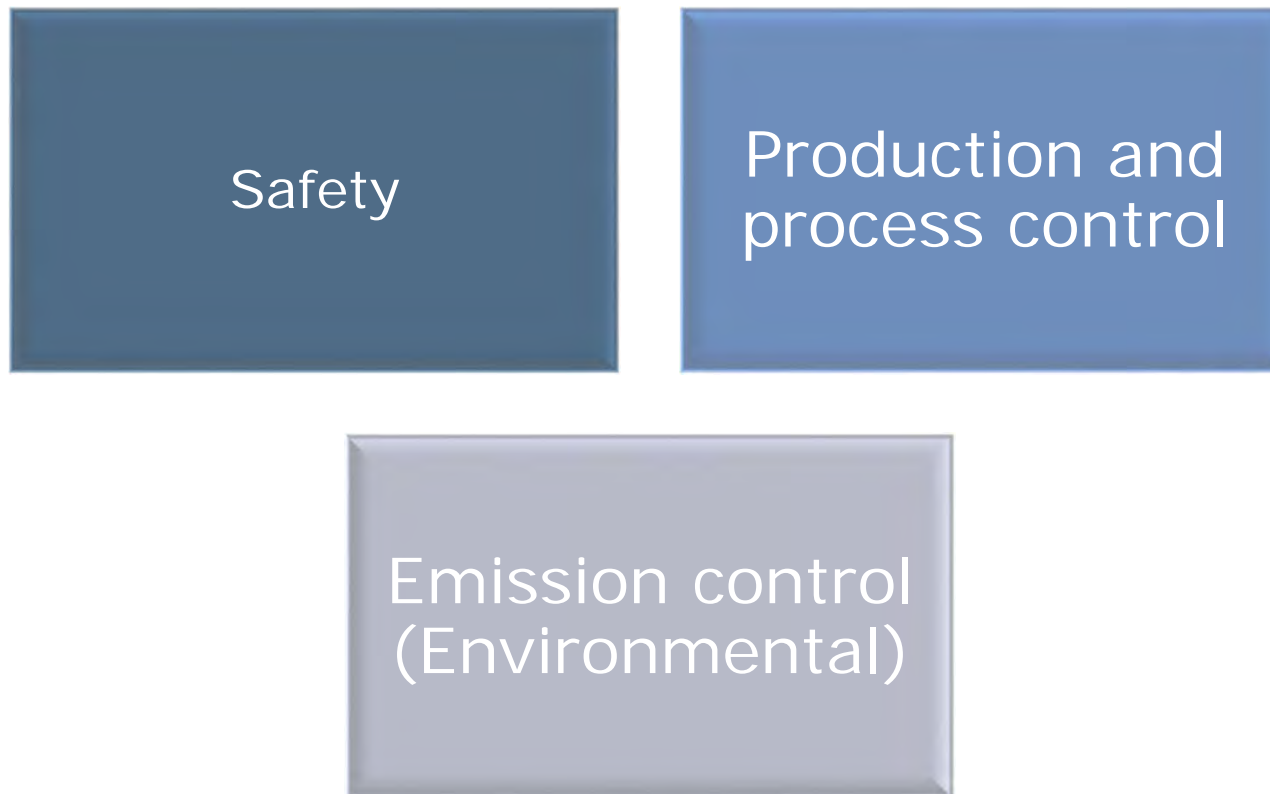


Principles of Fabric Filtration



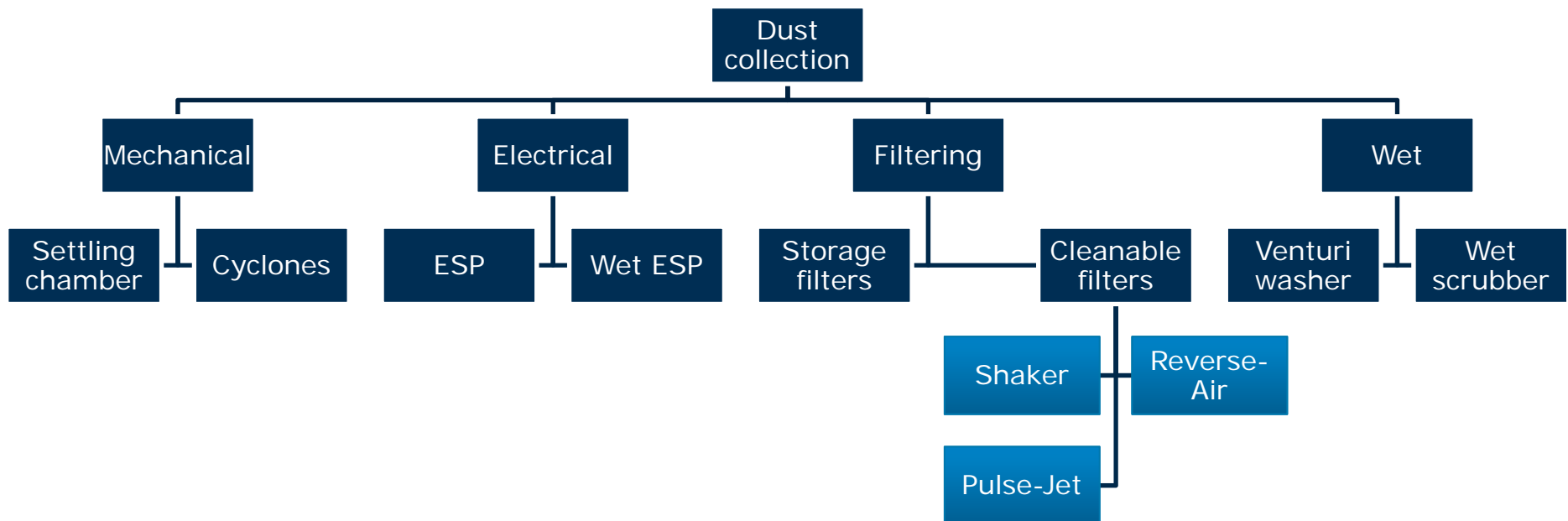
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Baghouses (why)



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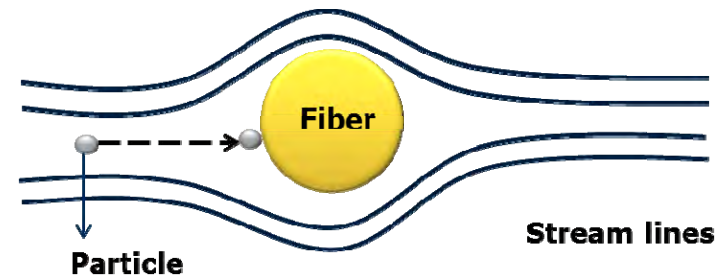
Dust collection systems



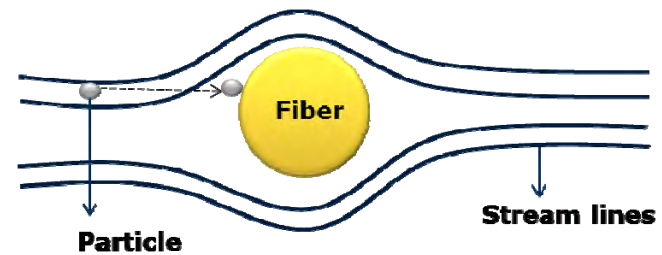
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Particle Capture Behavior

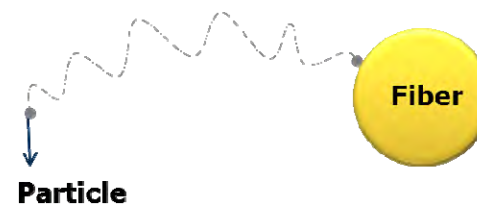
- Impaction (Interception)



- Inertial

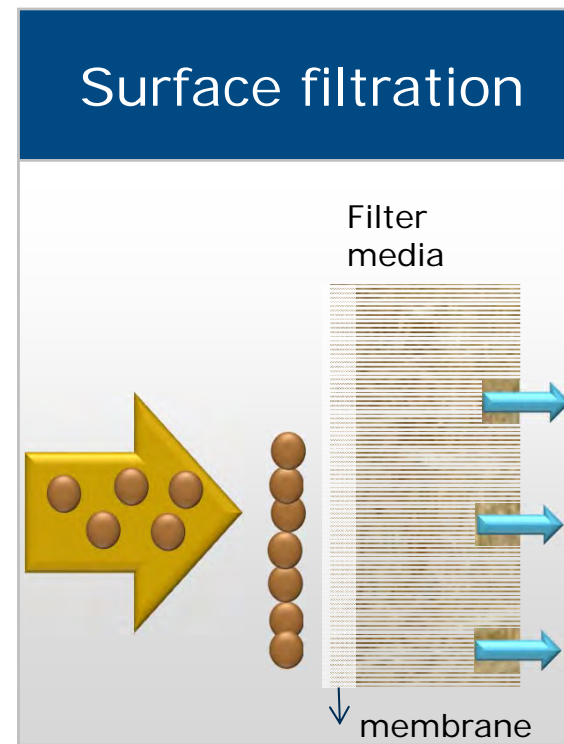
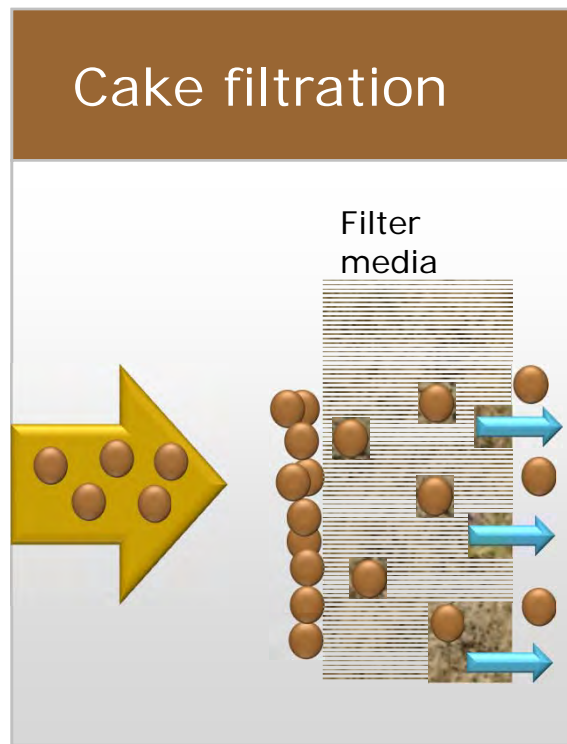


- Diffusion

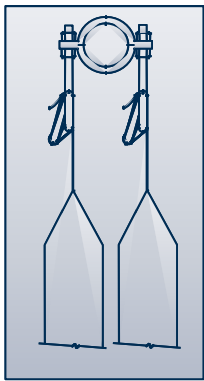


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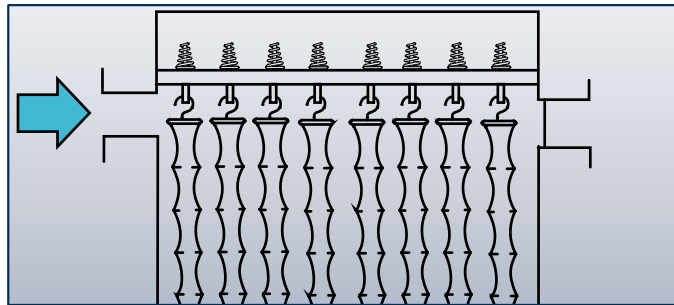
Filter bag – types of filtration



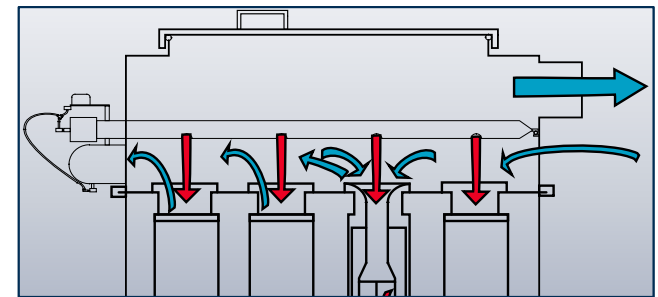
The Evolution of Bag Cleaning



Shaker
1st Generation
1920s-1980s



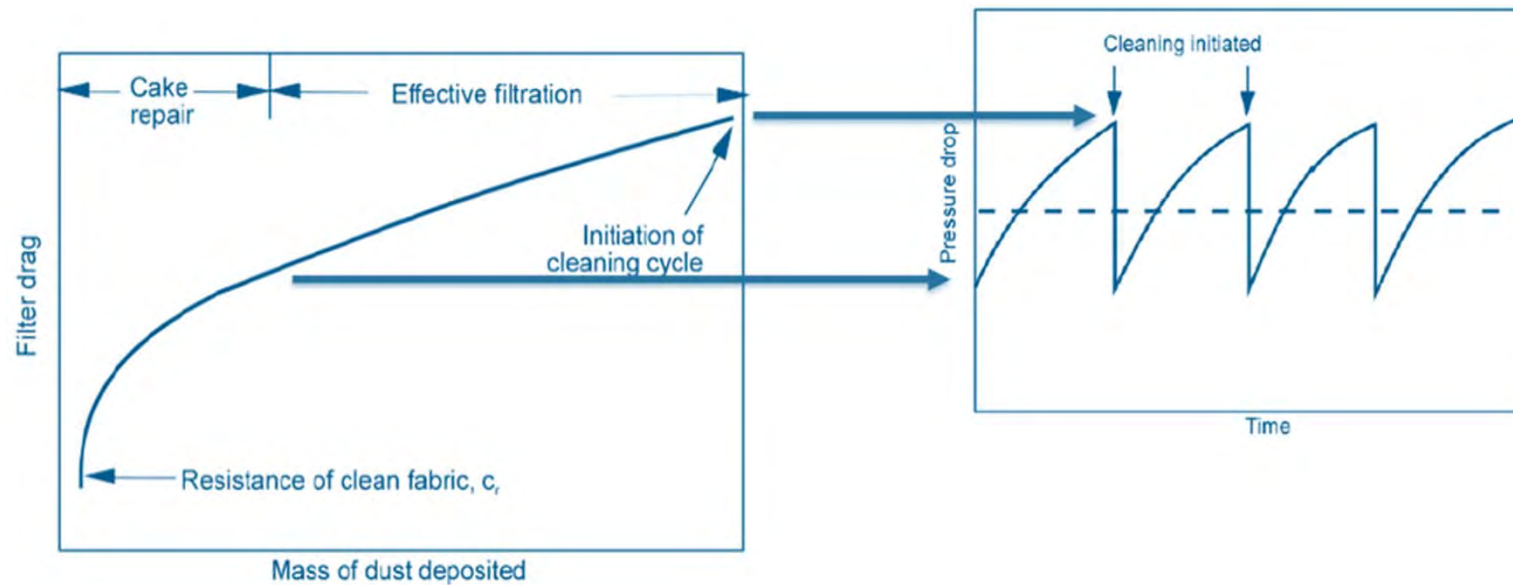
Reverse air
2nd Generation
1950-2000



Pulse-jet
3rd Generation
1970-Today

Effective filtration

Pressure across baghouse = $\Delta P_f + \Delta P_c + \Delta P_i$



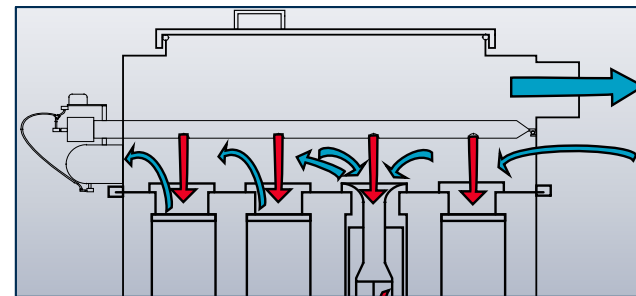
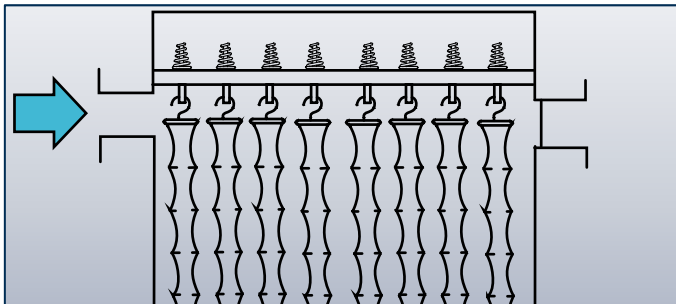
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Process Effects on Flue Gas Properties



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Fabric Filters in Power



Historically
Reverse Air
with
Fiberglass
Bags

In the last 10-15 years
Pulse Jet with felts (PPS, PI, acrylic, with ePTFE)
or Fiberglass/ePTFE for high-temperature applications

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Baghouse Design

- FF will work well if properly sized and designed for the application:
 - Volume
 - Cloth Area
 - Temperature
 - Pressure Drop
 - Type of Dust
- FF will require low maintenance if designed for the application
- FF will fail if not designed and maintained properly



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Flue Gas Path

Stack

Boiler



Flue Gas Path

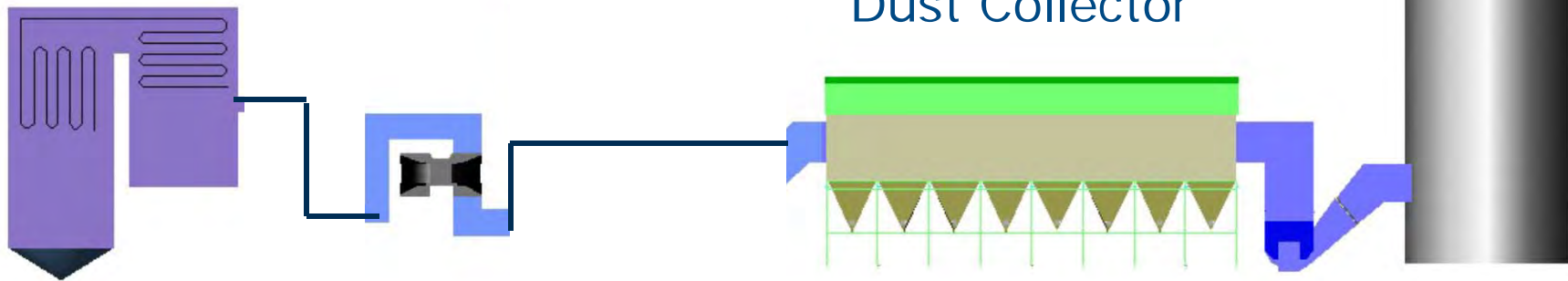
Stack

Fly Ash

Boiler

APH

Dust Collector



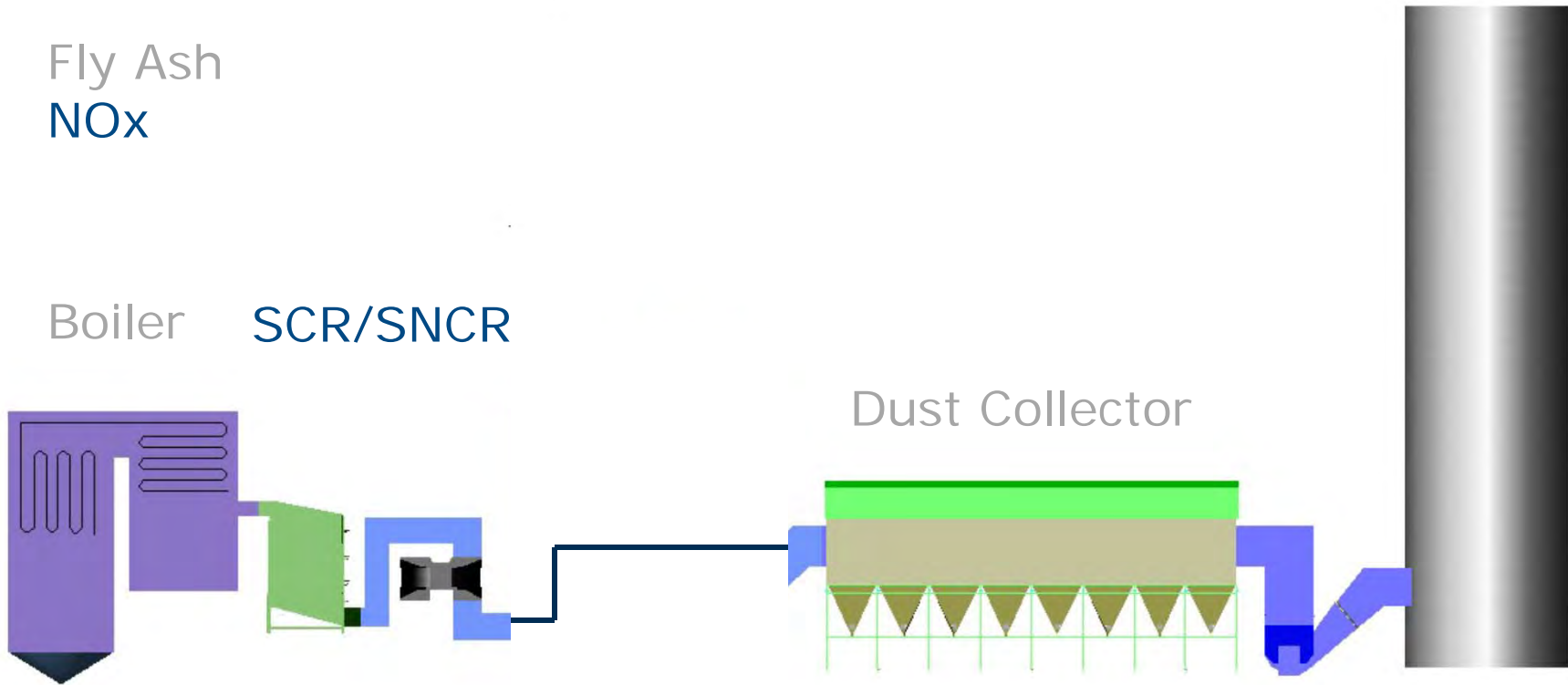
Flue Gas Path

Fly Ash
NOx

Boiler SCR/SNCR

Dust Collector

Stack



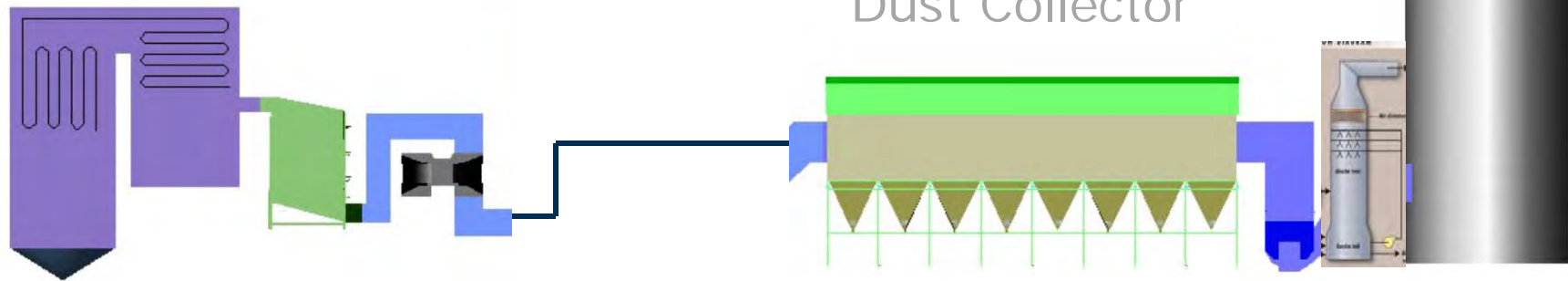
Flue Gas Path

Fly Ash
NOx
SOx

Boiler SCR/SNCR

WFGD

Stack



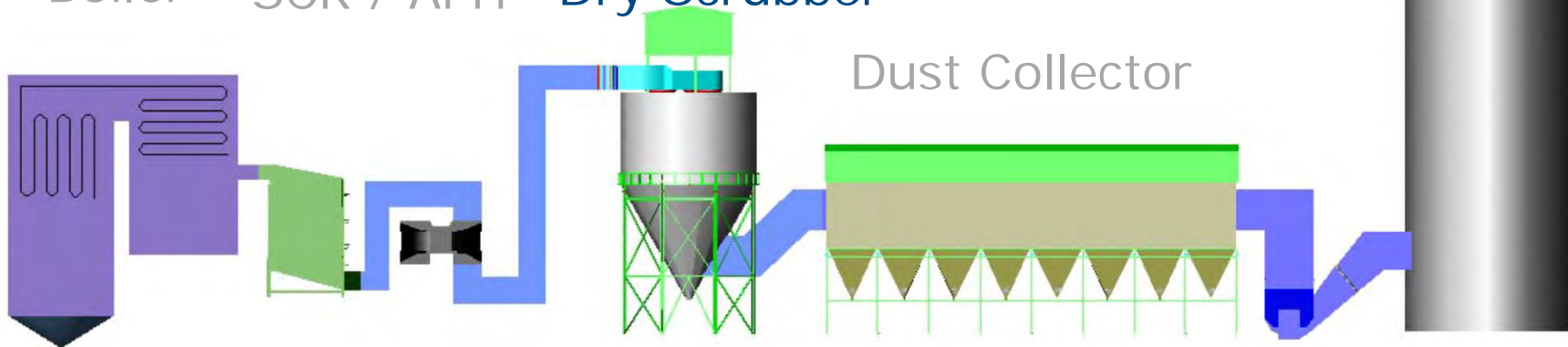
Flue Gas Path

Fly Ash
NOx
SOx

Boiler SCR / APH Dry Scrubber

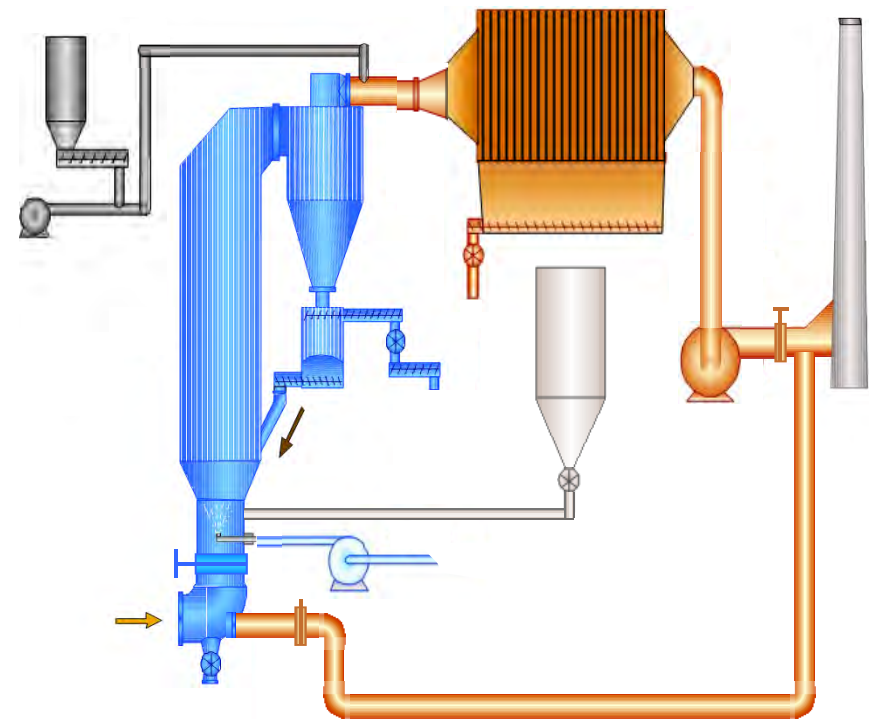
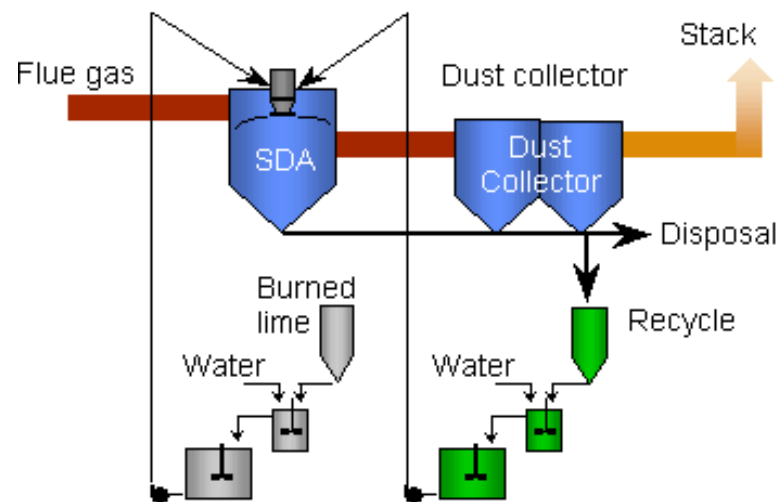
Dust Collector

Stack



Dry Scrubbers – SDA and CDS

- SO₂/SO₃/HCl removal
- High dust loading due to recirculation
- Approach AST (+20-30°F) for optimum scrubbing
- Balance scrubbing efficiency with potential back-end issues



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Dry Reagent/Sorbent Injection

- Reduce SO₃ and sulfuric acid attack
- Higher temperatures, less moisture
- Higher injection rates
- Cake capture
- Cake densification
- NO₂ oxidation?



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Activated Carbon Injection for Mercury Mitigation

- PAC flows very low
- PAC is very fine
- Cake capture is critical to mercury mitigation
- Cake densification
- Avoid re-emission of Hg as a function of time/temperature
- Bromine (from CaBr_2) is a strong oxidizing agent

- Potential for smoldering/combustion – keep it moving once bags are cleaned



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Fabric Filters in Power

- With SCR/SNCR – ammonia slip can create sticky dust (Ammonium Bisulfate – ABS)
- Wet Scrubbers – downstream of FF but allow for use of higher sulfur coals and SO₃ attack and more ABS
- Dry Scrubbers
 - Very high inlet loading due to recirculation
 - Watch for mud approaching adiabatic saturation temperature
 - Watch for poor SDA atomization

Fabric Filters in Power

- Dry Sorbent Injection
 - Filter cake aids acid removal
 - Cake densification in polishing filters

- Activated Carbon Injection
 - Activated carbon is very fine (like smoke)
 - Cake densification
 - Bromine can create oxidizing environment
 - Hg re-emission is possible
 - Carbon is low-volatile but flammable
 - Keep carbon on bags for mercury capture
 - Do NOT store high-carbon ash in hoppers
 - Do NOT overheat with hopper heaters

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Best Practices



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Best Practices – O&M

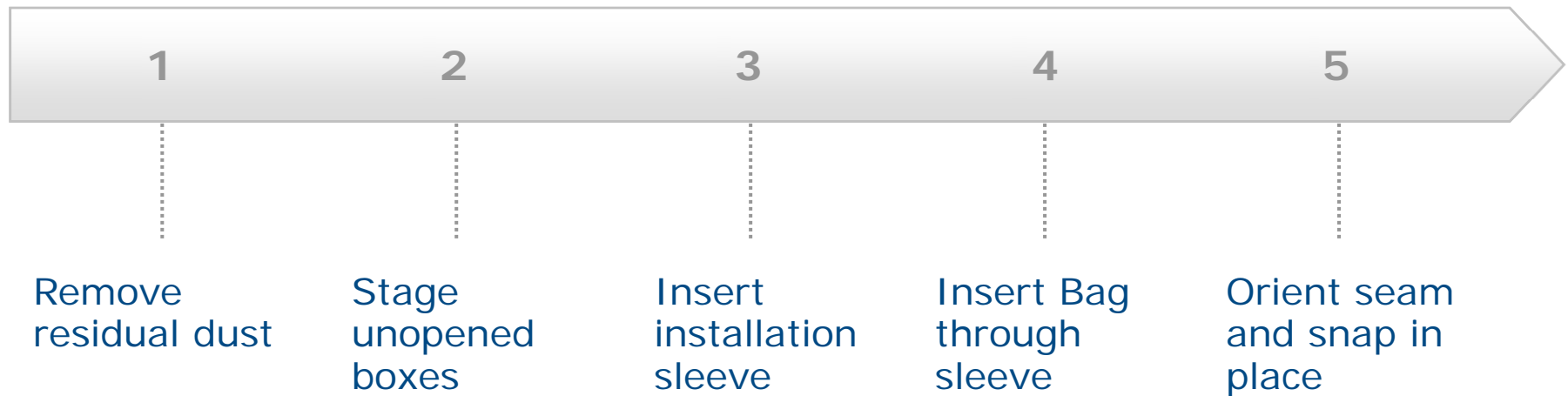
- Protect the filter media
- Install the bags correctly
- Clean the bags well
- Distribute the gas and material well
- Remove the ash and co-products
- Avoid infiltration

Fiber Properties

Fiber	Temp	Acid Resistance	Alkali Resistance	Abrasion Resistance	Flex Resistance	Hydrolyzation	Oxidation
Acrylic	260°F	Good	Average	Good	Very Good	Excellent	Very Good
Polyester	275°F	Fair	Fair	Excellent	Very Good	Poor	Very Good
PPS	374°F	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Good	Poor
Aramid	392°F	Fair/Poor	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Good
PI	473°F	Fair	Fair	Good	Good	Good	Very Good
PTFE/Teflon®	500°F	Excellent	Excellent	Fair/Poor	Good	Excellent	Excellent
Fiberglass	500°F	Good	Fair	Average	Average	Excellent	Excellent

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Bag installation guidelines



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Cage installation guidelines



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Best Practices to Consider - Installation

Pulse Jet

- Snapband Installation
- Bag/Cage Fit
- Pulse air system components and alignment



Reverse Air

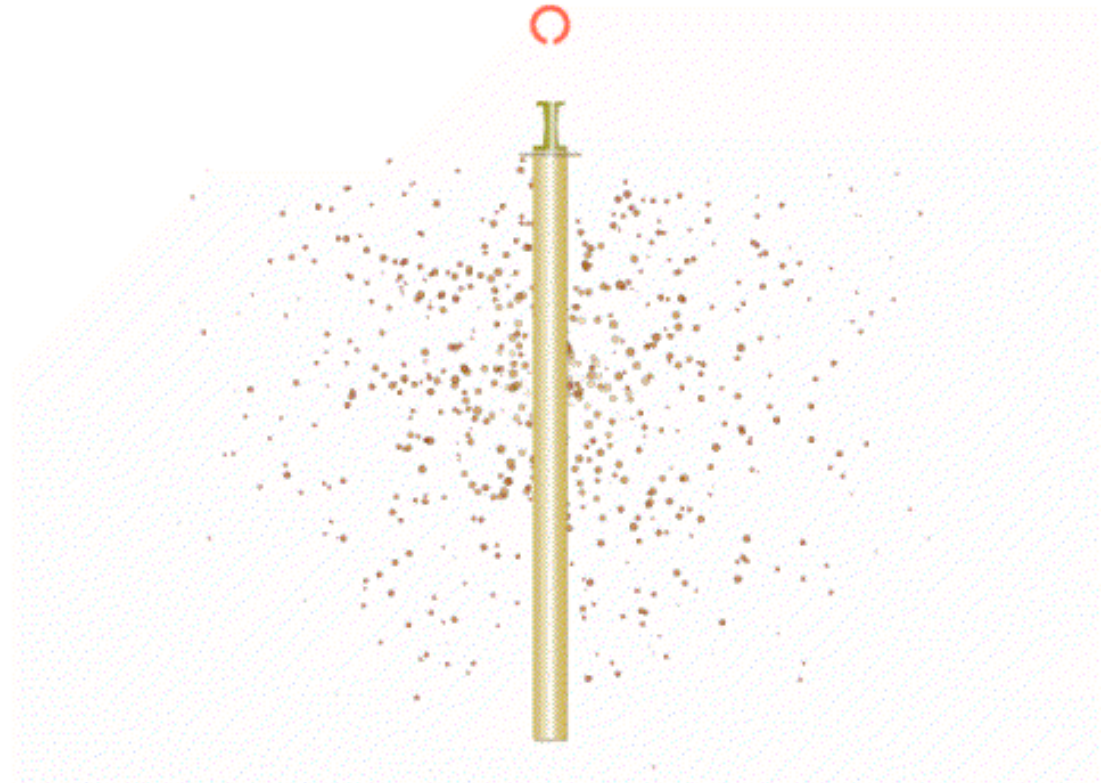
- Proper Tensioning
- Tube sheet fit
- Seams at 45° Orientation to Walkway



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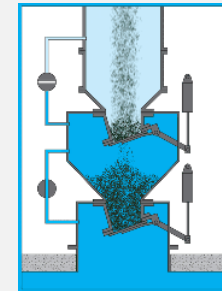
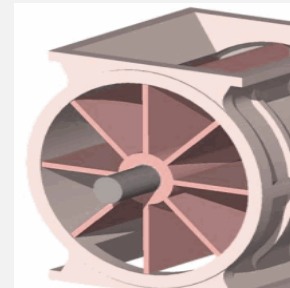
Best Practices to Consider - Cleaning

- De-rating ESP
- Avoid re-emission
- Avoid re-entrainment
- Cleaning Controls
- On Demand Cleaning
- Bag cleaning sequence
- Cleaning Air moisture, pressure



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Best Practices to Consider



Gas
Distribution
/ Velocities

Avoid
infiltration

Avoid
moisture
condensation

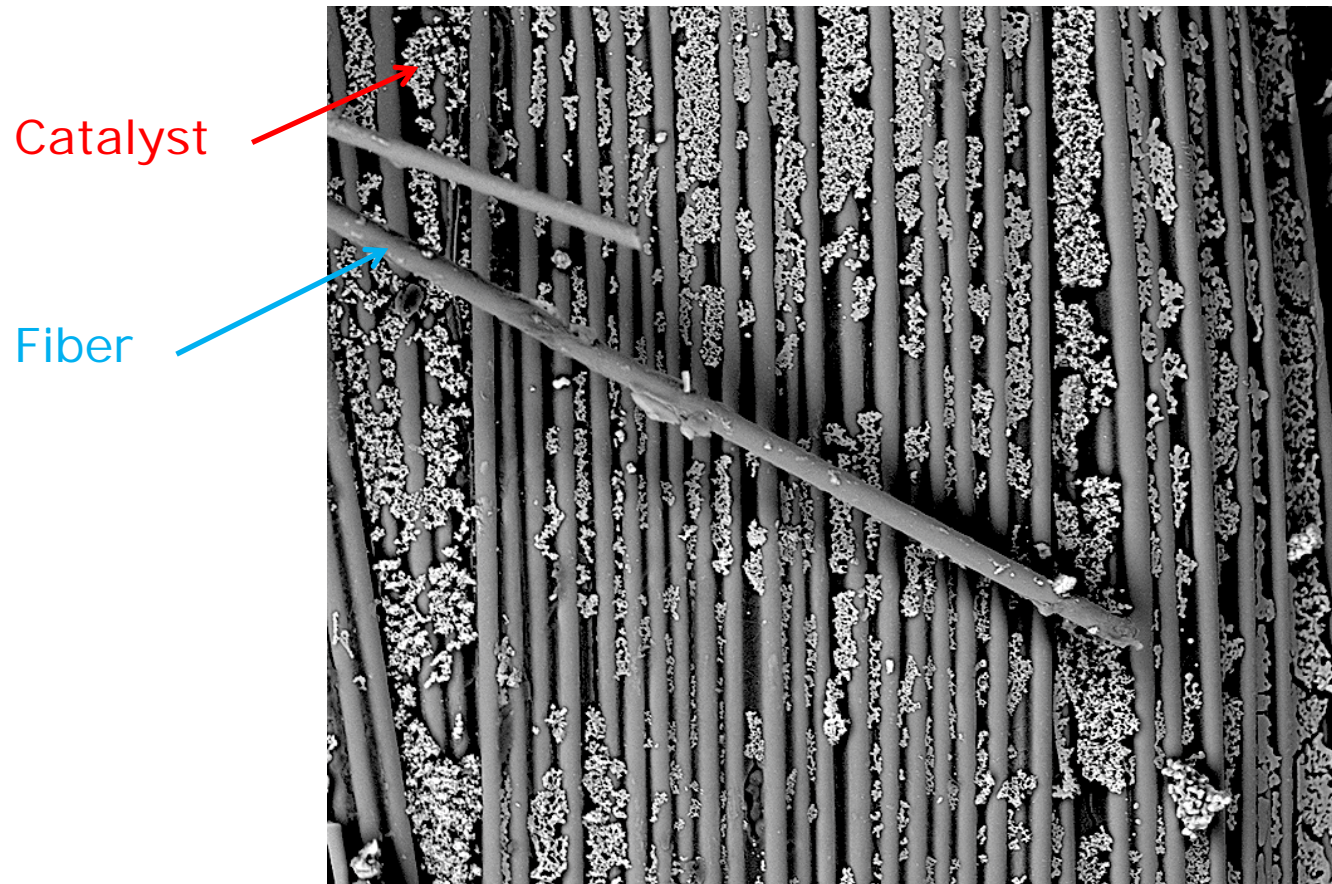
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Product
Conveying

Product Development



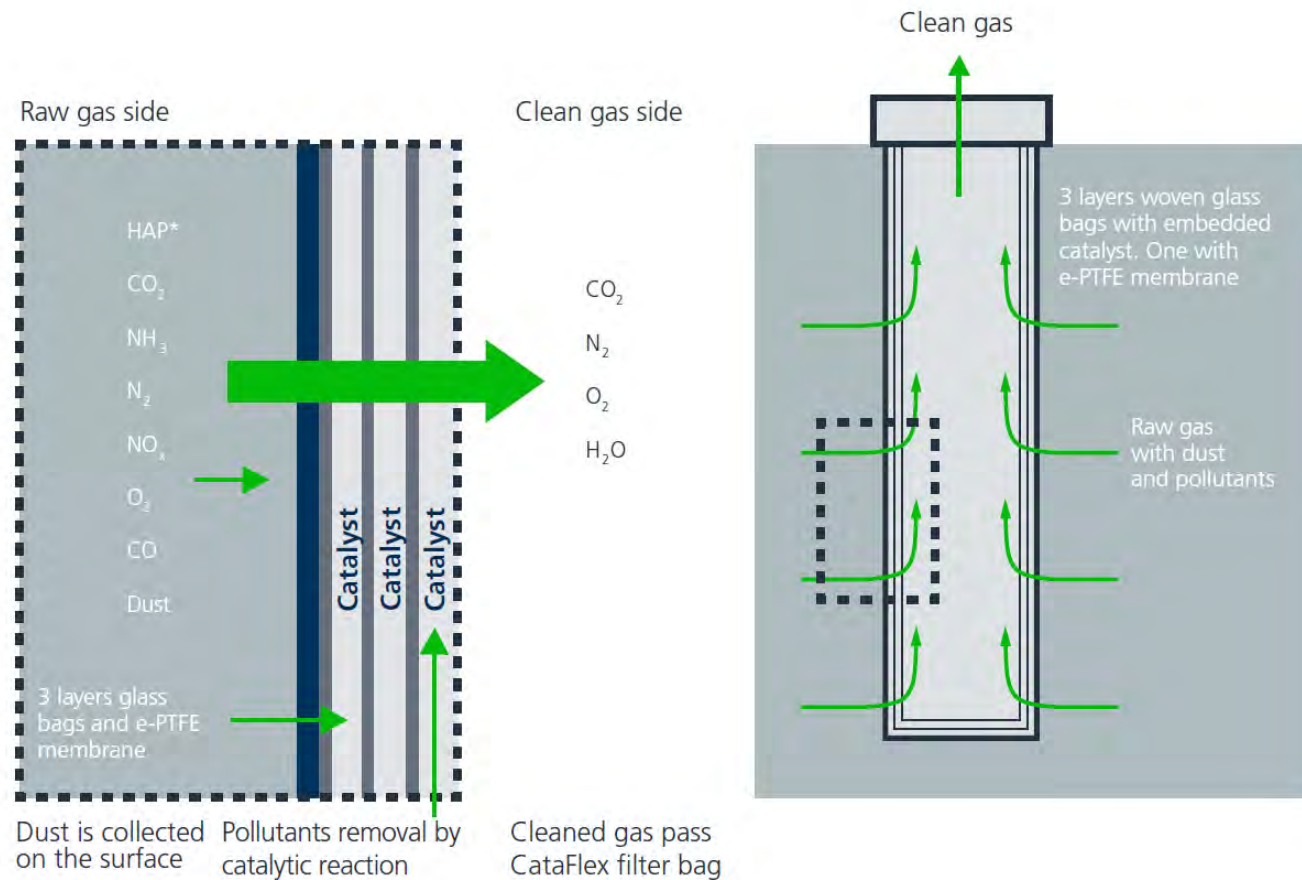
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CataFlex™ catalytic filter bag



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The cleaning principle



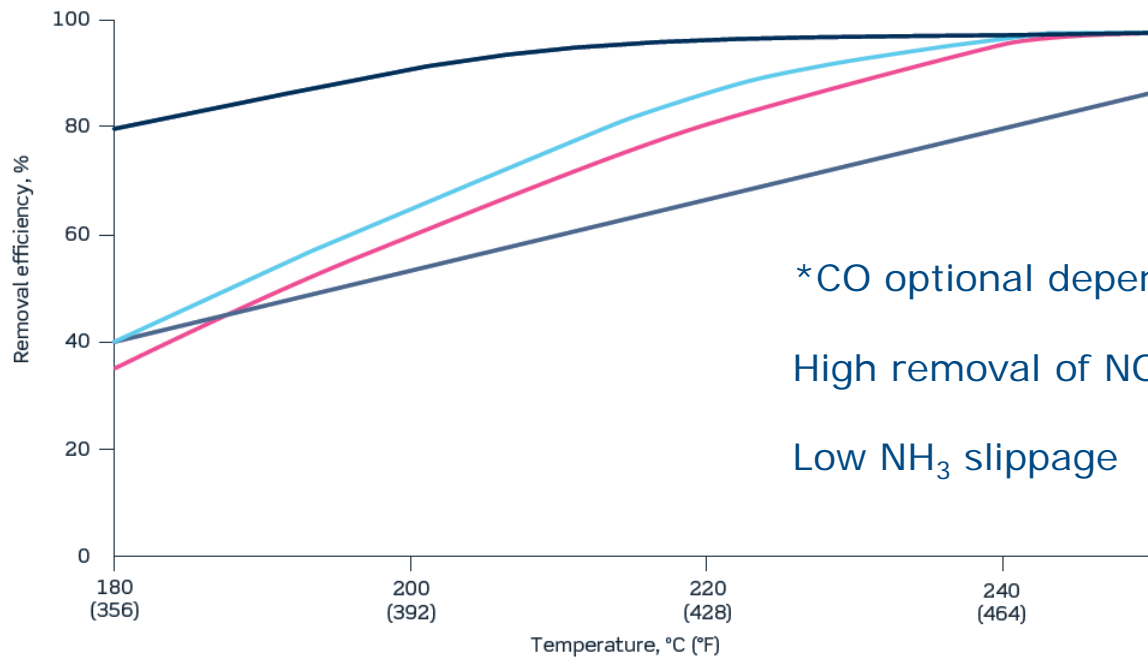
* Organic HAP includes formaldehyde, benzene, toluene, styrene, xylene (m-, p-, o-), acetaldehyde and naphtalene.

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CataFlex™

NO_x VOC/o-HAP/CO* removal CCF

● DeNO_x (3 layer bag) ● DeNO_x (1 layer bag) ● CO ● O-HAPs (toluene)



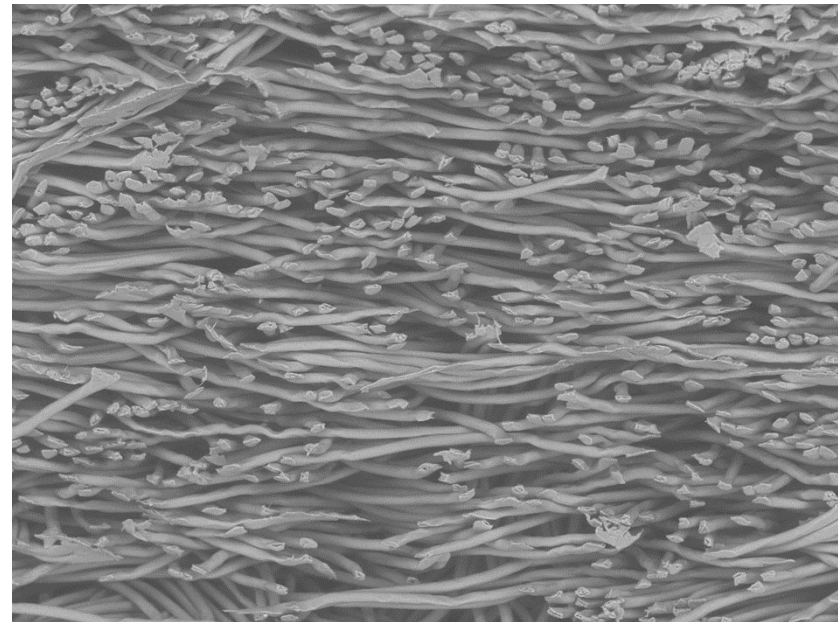
*CO optional depending on catalyst formulation

High removal of NO_x

Low NH₃ slippage

SST – Sorbent Surface Treatment

- Improved reactive surface area for reagents and sorbents
- Better capture of acid gases/mercury
- Reduced DP and power consumption
- Longer life -> Reduced maintenance
- Closely approaches membrane performance



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Questions



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