

# IBK412: Environmental Bioprocess Technology

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# Section Break



# WASTEWATER



- DOMESTIC WASTE
- INDUSTRIAL WASTE





# ASSIGNMENT (Due Date 5 NOV 5am)

## Part A

- State the percentage (%) composition inside the sludge for these following elements:
  - Macronutrient
  - Micronutrient
  - Trace element

\*Need to mention your type of wastewater and cite the source of your finding (Endnote/Mendelley).

## Part B

State the recent function of sludge from WWTP:

- Brick
- soil conditioner / fertilizer
- Soil reclamation

## Part C

- Two other relevant application
- \*cite the source of your finding (Endnote/Mendelley)





## Allocation Marks (52/52 marks ~ 100 %)

### Part A

- Table for different type of wastewater (state the source of the sludge):
  - macro (4 marks) , micronutrient (4 marks) and trace element(4 marks)

### Part B ( 12 marks x 3 application = 36 marks)

- Well elaborate the application in each sludge application(2)
  - the techniques used ; mechanism (6 marks)
  - the impacts toward yield/aims/ the efficiency (4 marks).

### Part C

- The 'others' application (2 marks)

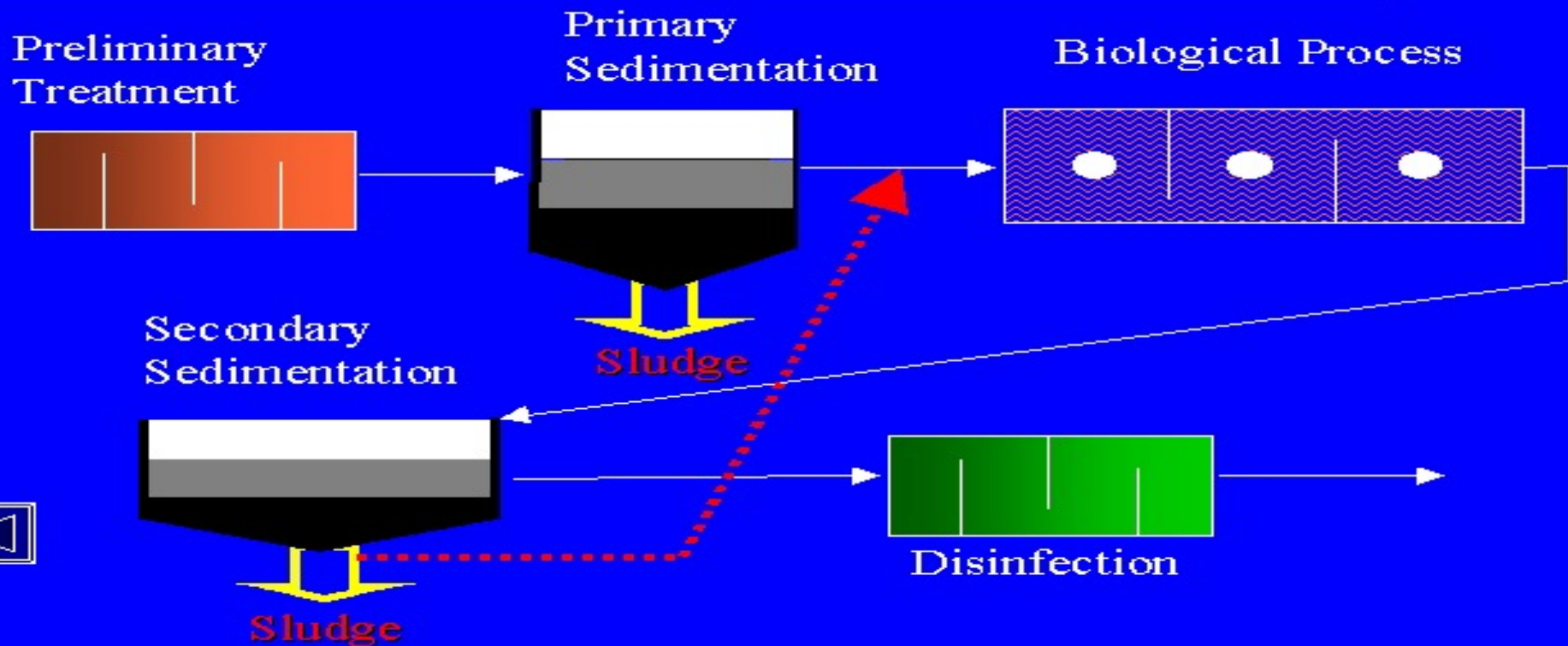
\*\*Usage of endnote/ mendelley (2 marks)



# REFRESH OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT



# Conventional WW Treatment



# Primary Sedimentation

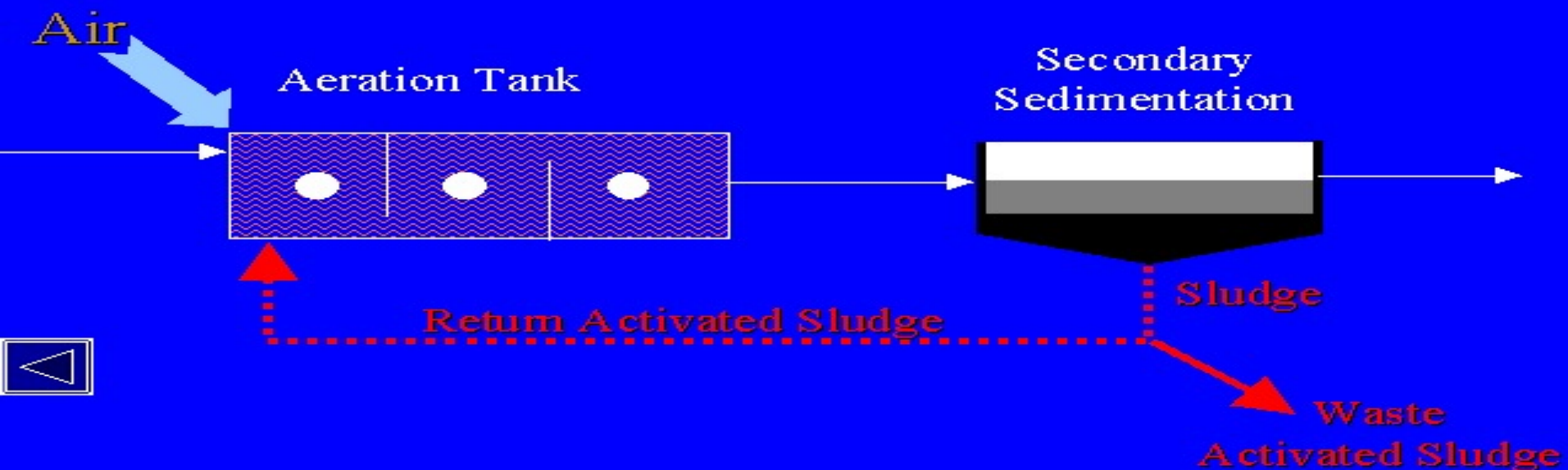
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- ◆ Purpose: to remove suspended solids (smaller than grit, and less harmful)
- ◆ Typical efficiency
  - 67% TSS removal
  - 33% BOD removal
- ◆ Design parameters
  - overflow rate
  - weir loading rate
  - detention time



# Suspended Growth Systems

## Activated Sludge!



# Sludge Disposal

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- ◆ Thickening
  - gravity, flotation
- ◆ Digestion
  - aerobic, anaerobic
- ◆ Mechanical Dewatering
  - Vacuum filtration, centrifugation, pressure filtr.
- ◆ Disposal
  - land application, burial, incineration



## Sludge Characteristic

Source	Typical Concentration, percent
Primary sludge, without thickening	2 - 7
Waste activated sludge	0.5 - 1.5
Waste trickling filter sludge	1 - 5
Digested sludge	4 - 10
Dewatered sludge	12 - 50

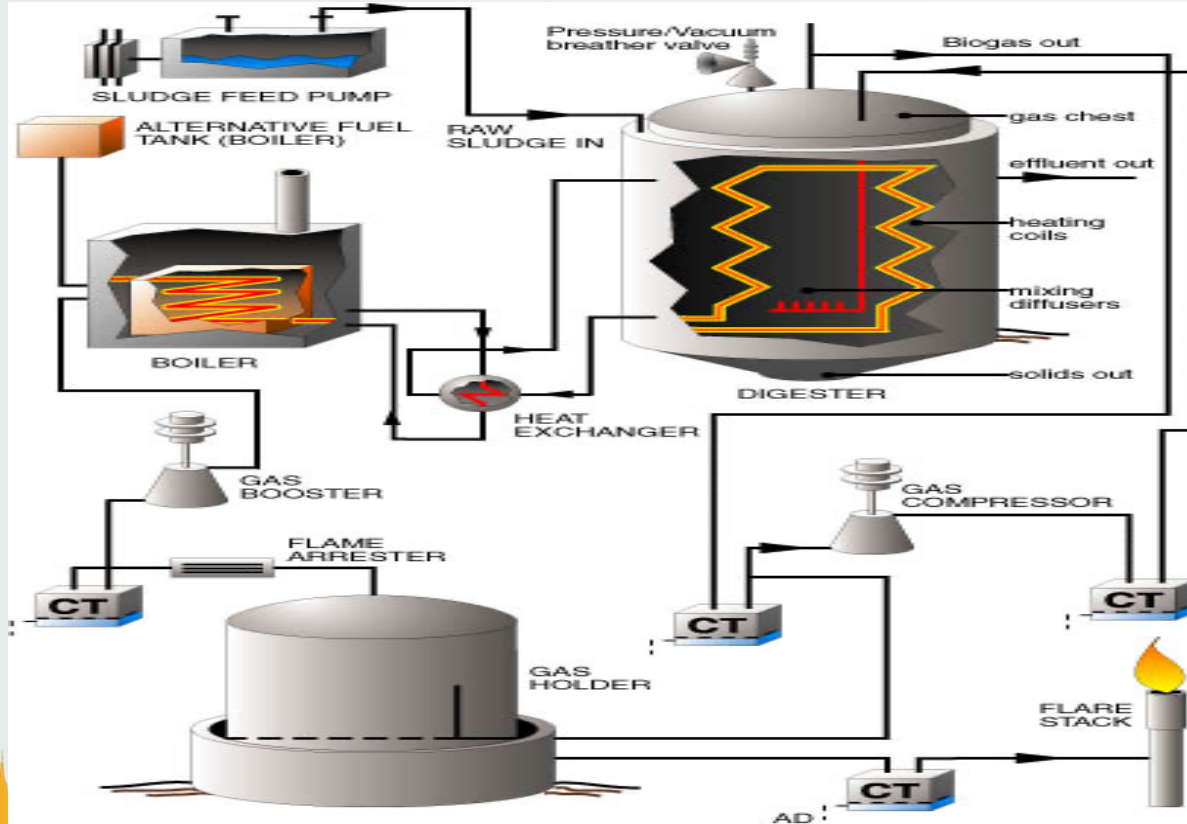


# Value of Sludge Composition

<b>Constituent</b>	<b>kg/ton</b>	<b>Gross value \$A/ton</b>
<b>Protein</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Fat</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>N</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>P</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>B<sub>12</sub></b>	<b>0.0025</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Oil</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Energy</b>		<b>70-150</b>
<b>Metals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>35</b>
		<b>\$300</b>



# Sludge Digestion: Anaerobic



## Sludge drying bed: preparation



## Filling the drying bed with sludge



## Starting the drying process





# Waste is Wealth



# Advance Method in wastewater Treatment



- In 1910, a botany professor from University of Durham, UK, had proposed the idea of catalytic activity and conversion of microbes can generate electricity .
- Then early in 1990s Allen and Bennetto reported that fuel cell became more attractive and the investigation on MFCs began to start

# Microbes Story



**A microbe wanders a muddy world in search of food.**



**A mysterious forest in the distance...**



**A fiber forest full of nutrients!**





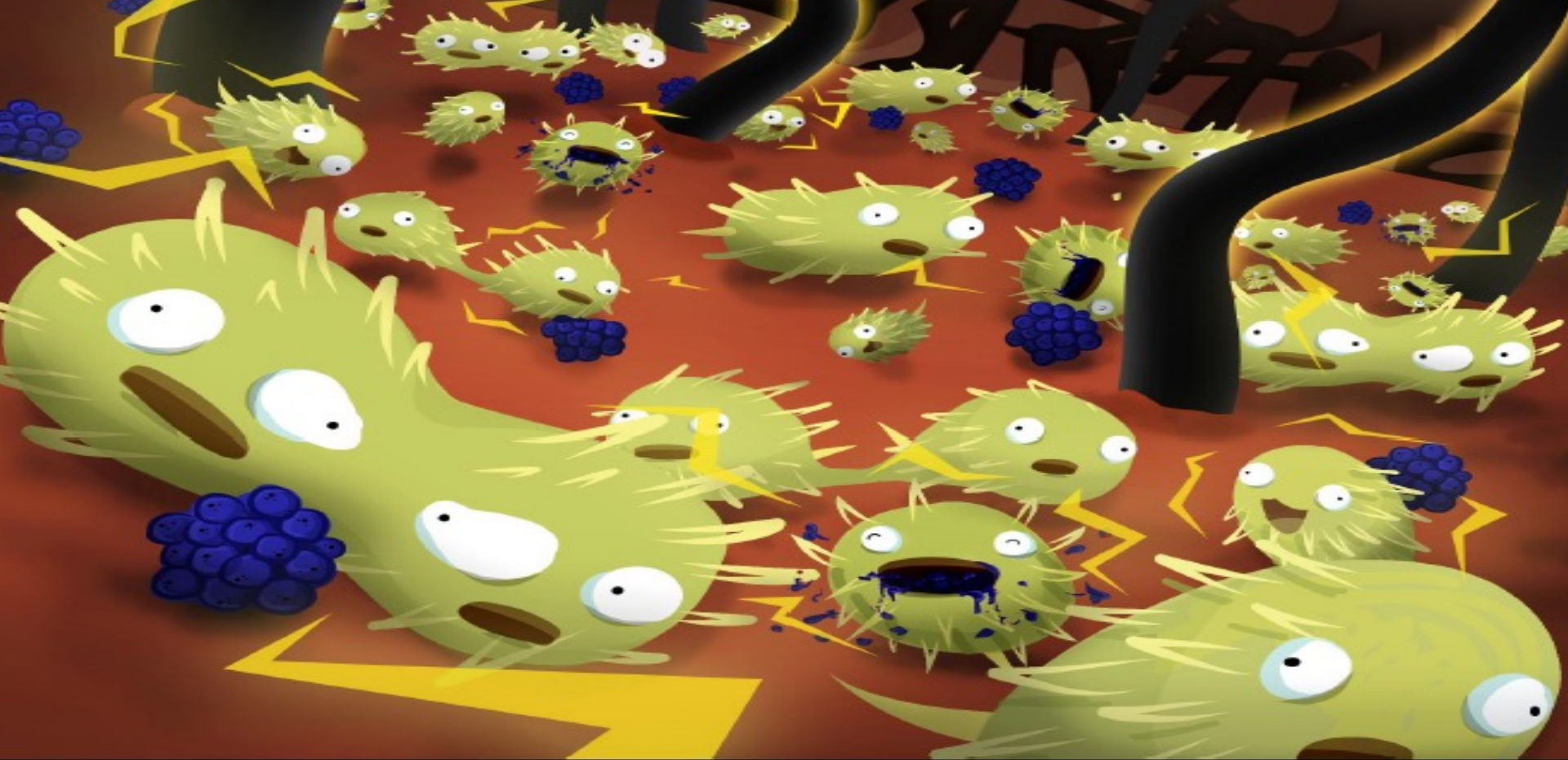
**A glorious feast to power up!**



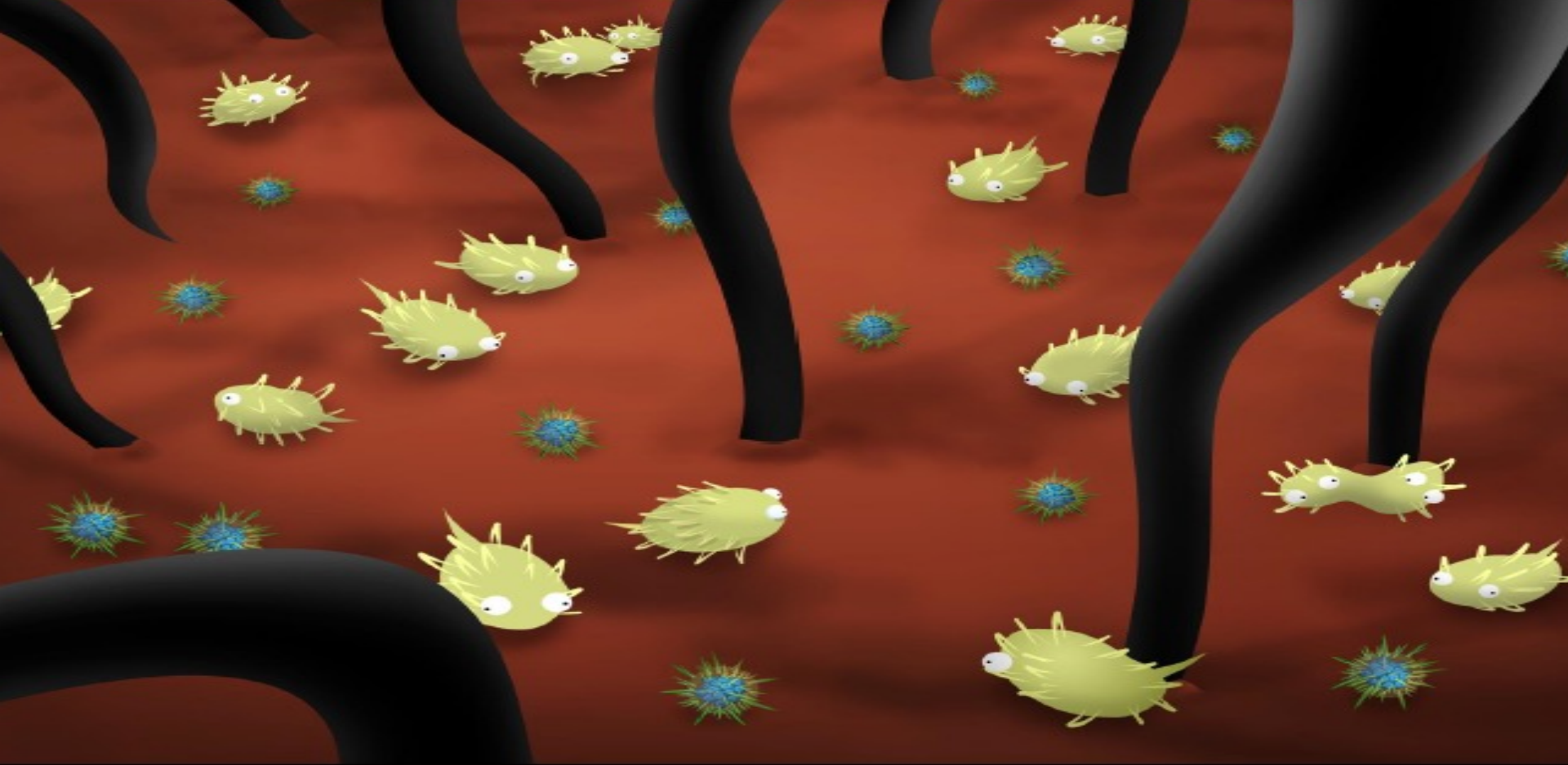
**Zap! An electrical charge bursts to a nearby fiber!**



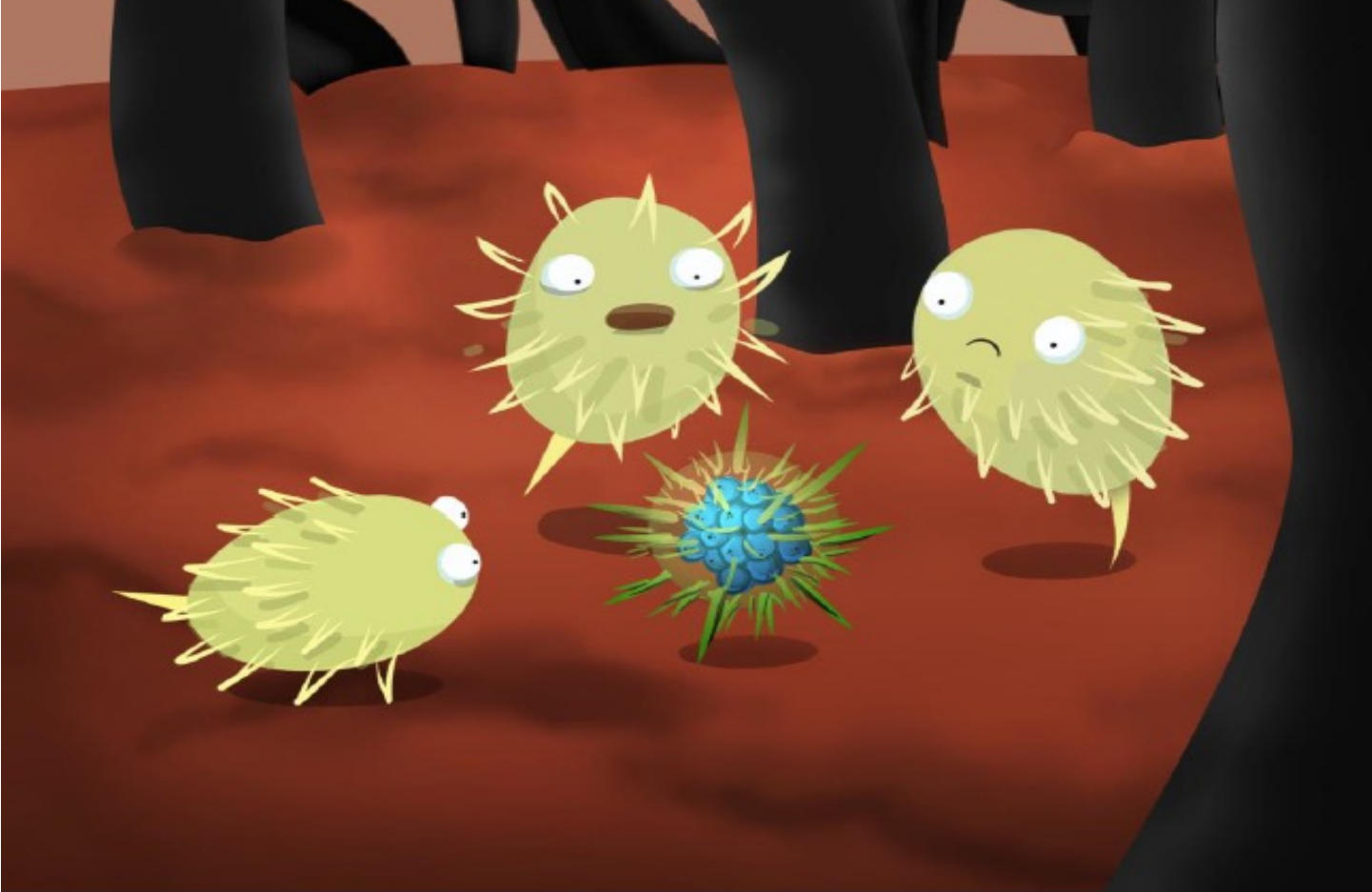
**With the microbe's ability to replicate, one becomes two.**



**Two becomes four. Four becomes eight. Soon there are millions!**



**Simple foods are eaten first. Now only complex, inedible nutrients remain**



The microbes can't digest these complex foods.  
What will they do?



**A fungi clan arrives. Are they friends or foes?**



**The fungi munch up the complex foods, freeing the simple nutrients inside.**





**Symbiosis saves the day!**



**A shocking development! The microbes grow  
electron-shuttling nanowires!**



**Even distant microbes can discharge to a fiber by linking nanowires!**



**A connected community flourishes –  
the power of working together!**

## Theoretical calculation

- Let say  
IWK Sdn Bhd produces 500 L/d AD, 600 mg/L of COD, 14.7 kJ/g –COD (basis waste water)

The power would be:

$$P = \left(600 \frac{\text{mg COD}}{\text{L}}\right) \left(\frac{500 \text{ L}}{\text{d}}\right) \left(\frac{\text{g}}{10^3 \text{ mg}}\right) \left(\frac{14.7}{\text{g-COD}}\right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ kWh}}{3600 \text{ kJ}}\right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ d}}{24 \text{ h}}\right)$$
$$= 0.051 \text{ kW}$$

Let say tariff Tenaga Nasional Berhad RM0.44/kW-h, how much IWK Sdn Bhd save the cost a year by having power at 0.51 kW/day?

$$\text{Value} = 0.051 \text{ kW} \left(\frac{\text{RM}0.44}{\text{kWh}}\right) \left(\frac{24 \times 365 \text{ h}}{\text{yr}}\right)$$
$$= \text{RM}196.57$$

\*\*these calculation all assume 100 % energy recovery, not reasonable. As a goal, it is hope to recover 20 – 30 % of the energy.



How to visualize the power we have instead you see the small amount of RM we managed to save?

We try to show in term of the application.

A wastewater company light their waste pond during night 7 pm to 7 am (12 h) using 3 W LED lamp. So how many LED lamp can be lighted?

$$0.051 \text{ kW} = 51 \text{ Watt}$$

$$1 \text{ LED lamp} = 3 \text{ Watt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LED can be lighted up} &= \left( \frac{51 \text{ Watt}}{3 \text{ Watt}} \right) \\ &= 17 \text{ LED throughout a year!} \end{aligned}$$



# Lagoons



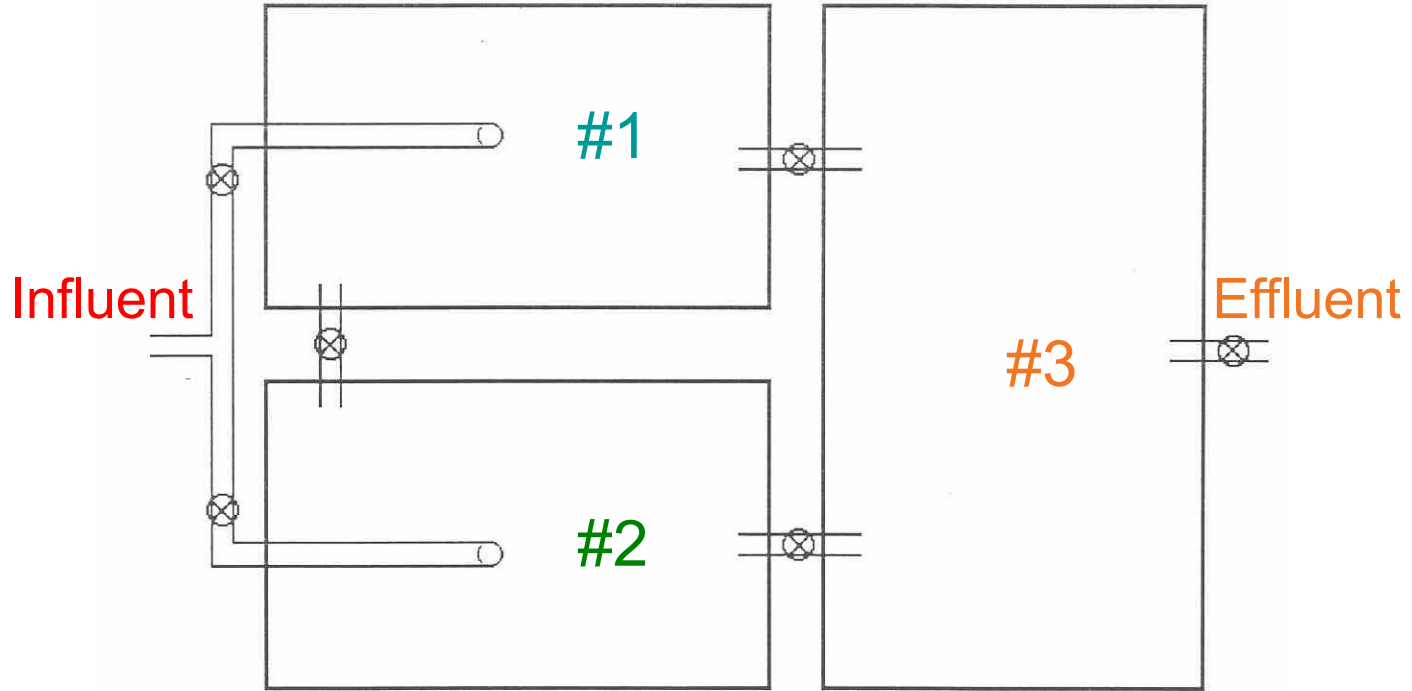
# **Waste Stabilization Lagoons**

A carefully designed structure constructed to contain and to facilitate the operation and control of a complex process of treating or stabilizing wastewater.





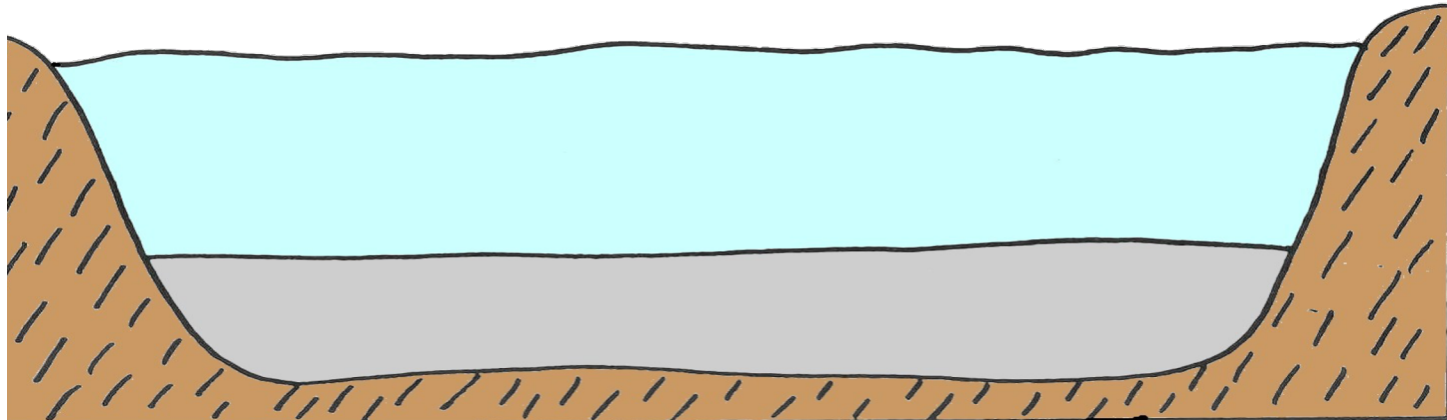
# Typical Lagoon System



# WASTEWATER

Water used to carry waste products away from homes, schools, commercial establishments, and industrial enterprises.

# TREATMENT PROCESS



# Waste Stabilization Lagoons “Treatment” Process

## Natural Process

Same Process Which Occurs in a Natural Pond or Lake

Under Controlled Conditions

# Waste Stabilization Lagoons

## Natural Process

Same as Mechanical Plants

Carefully Designed and Constructed

Must Be Operated Properly

Must Be Understood

# Waste Stabilization Lagoons

“The Process” Involves:

Physical Processes

Chemical Processes

and

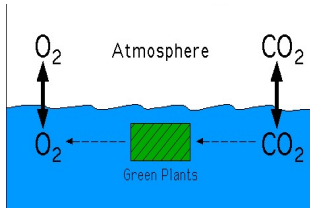
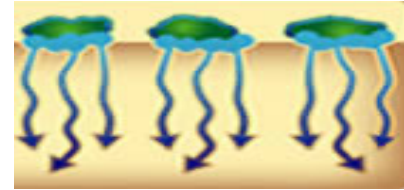
Biological Processes

# Physical Processes



Evaporation

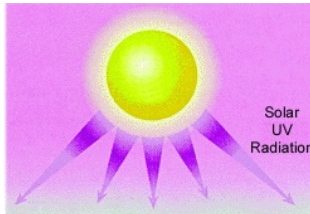
Seepage



Gas Exchange

Sedimentation

U.V. Radiation



**SOLIDS**

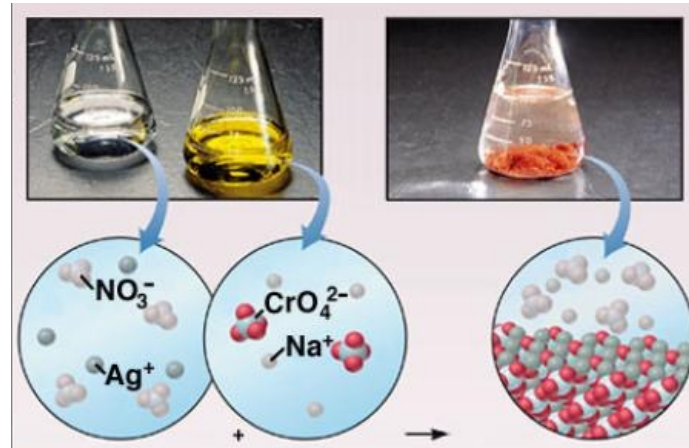
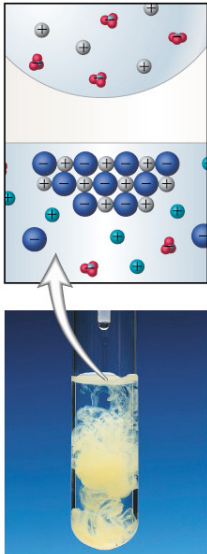




# Chemical Processes

## Inorganic Activity

## Precipitation Formation



# Wastewater “Treatment” Process



Mostly

**BIOLOGICAL**

**\*BACTERIA\***



# BACTERIA

## Types

### Aerobic

Bacteria that can use only oxygen that is “free” or not chemically combined.

### Anaerobic

Bacteria that can live in the absence of “free” oxygen.

### Facultative

Bacteria that use either “free” or combined oxygen.

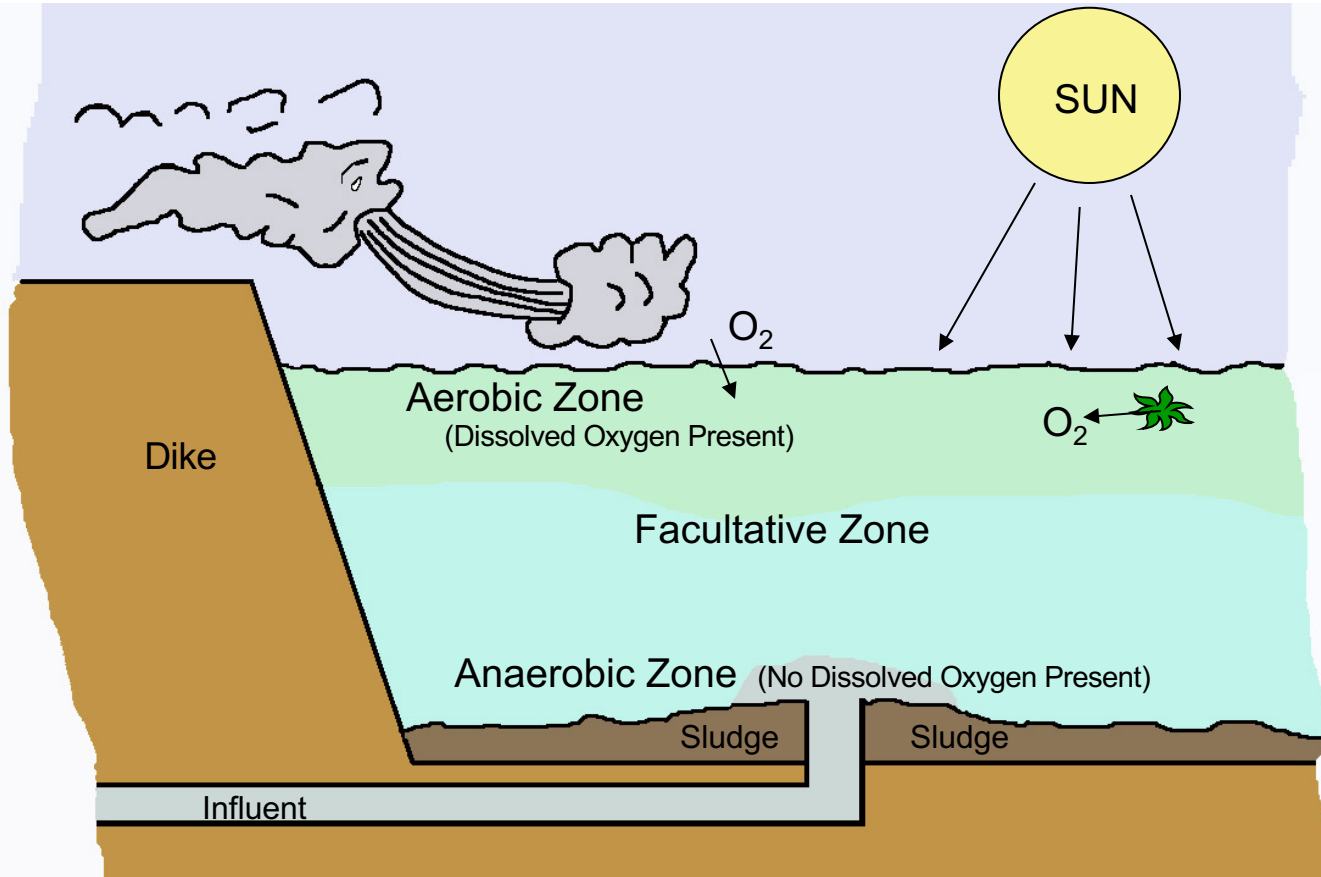
# Zones in a Lagoon

AEROBIC

FACULTATIVE

ANAEROBIC

# Zonal Relationships in a Lagoon



# Zonal Differences

Environments

Bacteria

Activities

# ANAEROBIC ZONE

Sedimentation

SOLIDS



Stabilization

Organics



Organic Acids

Organic Acids



Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)

Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S)

Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>)

# ANAEROBIC ZONE

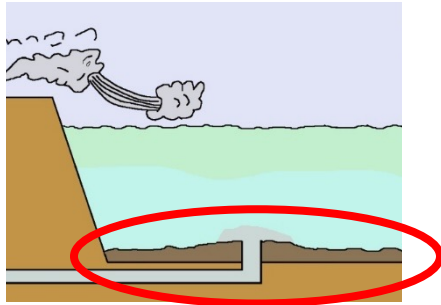
Sedimentation

SOLIDS



Stabilization

Not All Of the Settled Solids Will Be Broken Down.



The Sludge Layer Will Increase Slowly Over the Life of the Lagoon



# AEROBIC ZONE

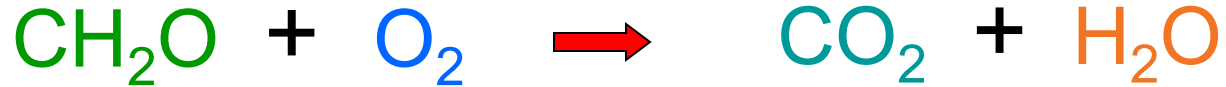
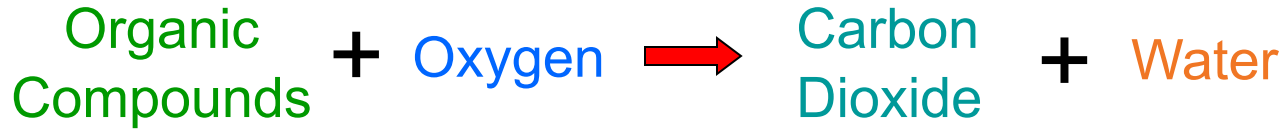
Bacteria Use Soluble Organics

Influent

Anaerobic Zone

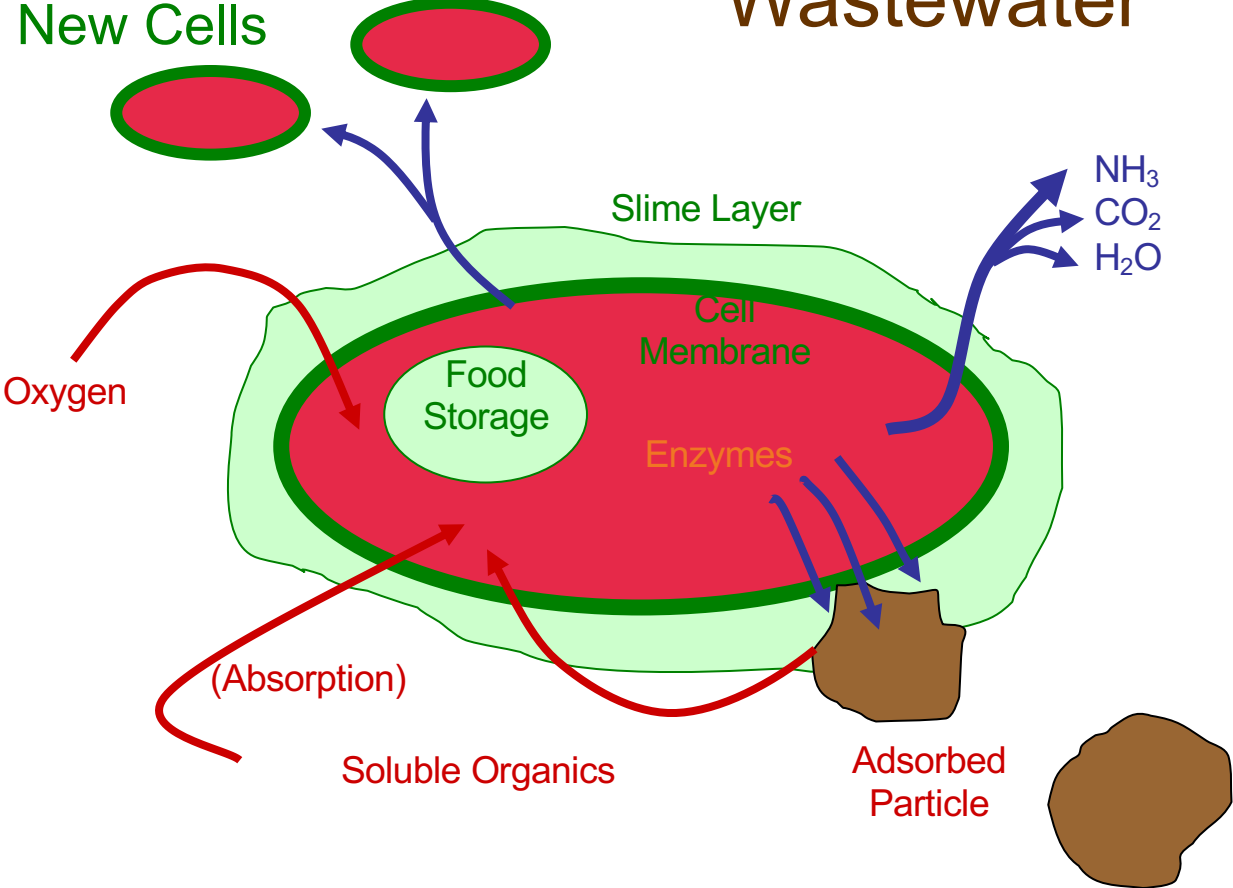
Respiration

# RESPIRATION



# Wastewater

New Cells



Slime Layer

Cell Membrane

Food Storage

Enzymes

NH<sub>3</sub>  
CO<sub>2</sub>  
H<sub>2</sub>O

Oxygen

(Absorption)

Soluble Organics

Adsorbed Particle

# Difference between

**ADSORPTION**



Molecules adhere to the surface of the phase.

**ABSORPTION**



Molecules are drawn into the bulk of the phase.

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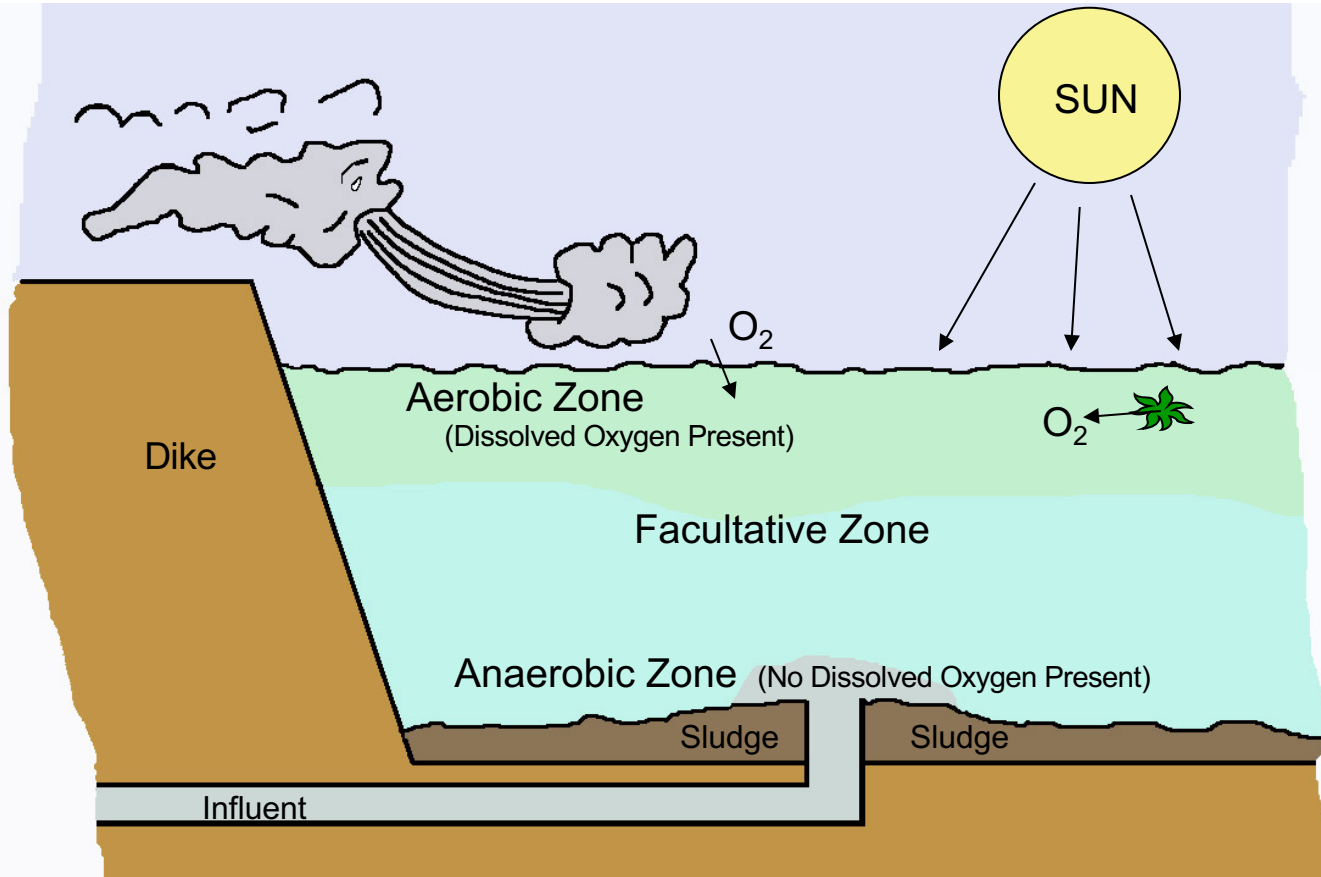
# FACULTATIVE ZONE

Organisms Utilize Dissolved Oxygen  
or Combined Oxygen

Adapt to Changing Conditions

Continue Decomposition  
During  
Changing Conditions

# Zonal Relationships in a Lagoon



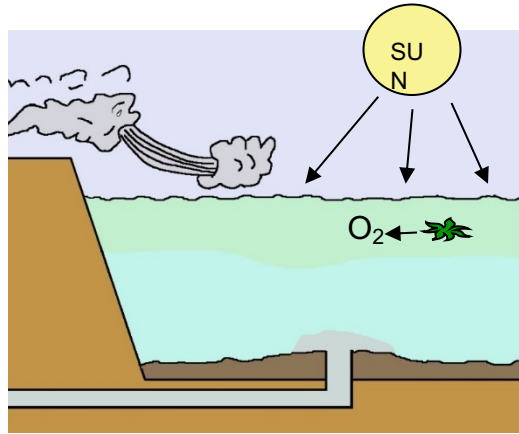
# Importance of Sufficient Oxygen

Efficient Treatment

Preventing Odors

# Sources of Oxygen

ABSORPTION from ATMOSPHERE



PHOTOSYNTHESIS



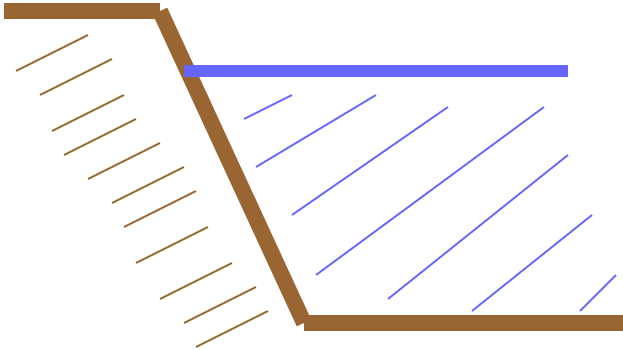
# PHOTOSYNTHESIS

A Process  
in which  
PLANTS  
Utilize Sunlight and Chlorophyll  
to Convert  
Carbon Dioxide and Inorganic  
Substances  
to  
OXYGEN  
and  
Additional Plant Material

# OXYGEN SOURCES

Surface Aeration  
Provides

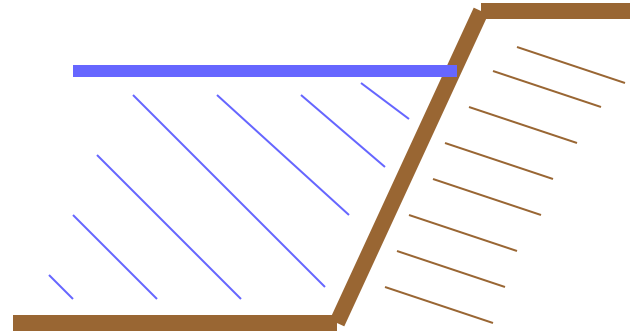
6 Pounds  
per Acre  
per Day



At Lagoon D.O. of 2.0 mg/L  
Temperature Permitting 8.0 mg/L

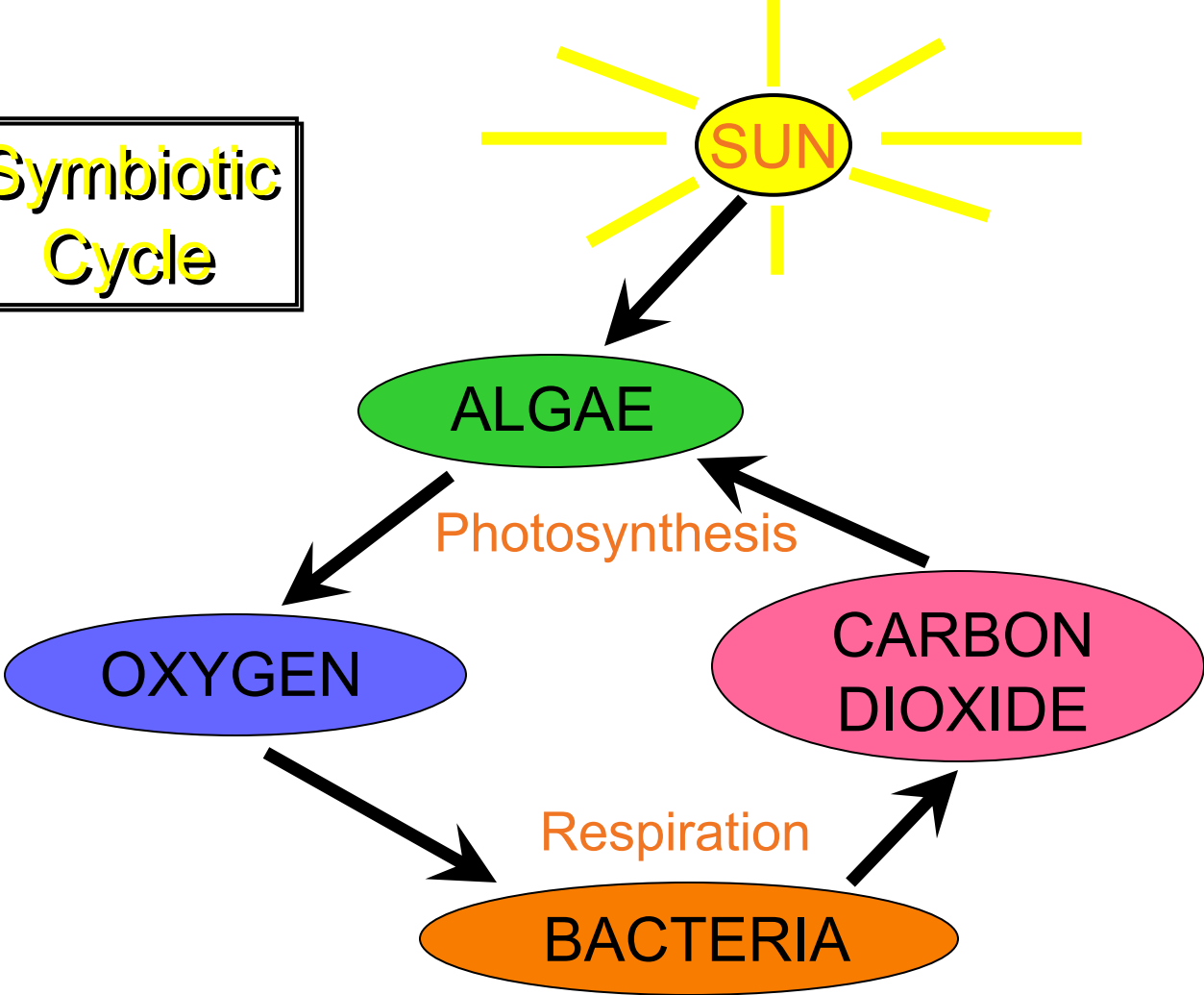
Algae  
(Photosynthesis)  
Provides

100 Pounds  
per Acre  
per Day

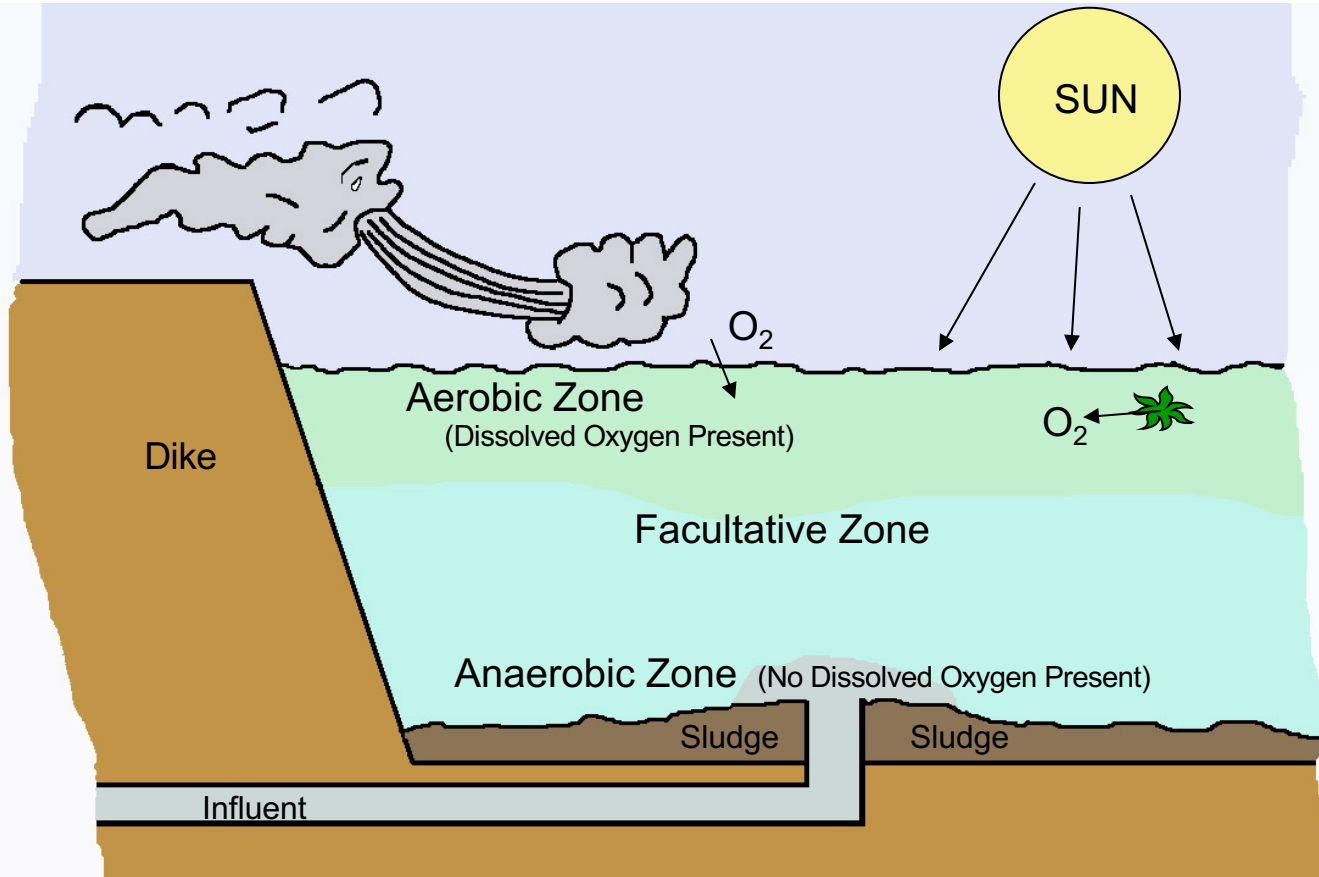


Each 60 Pounds of Algae  
Produce 100 pounds Oxygen

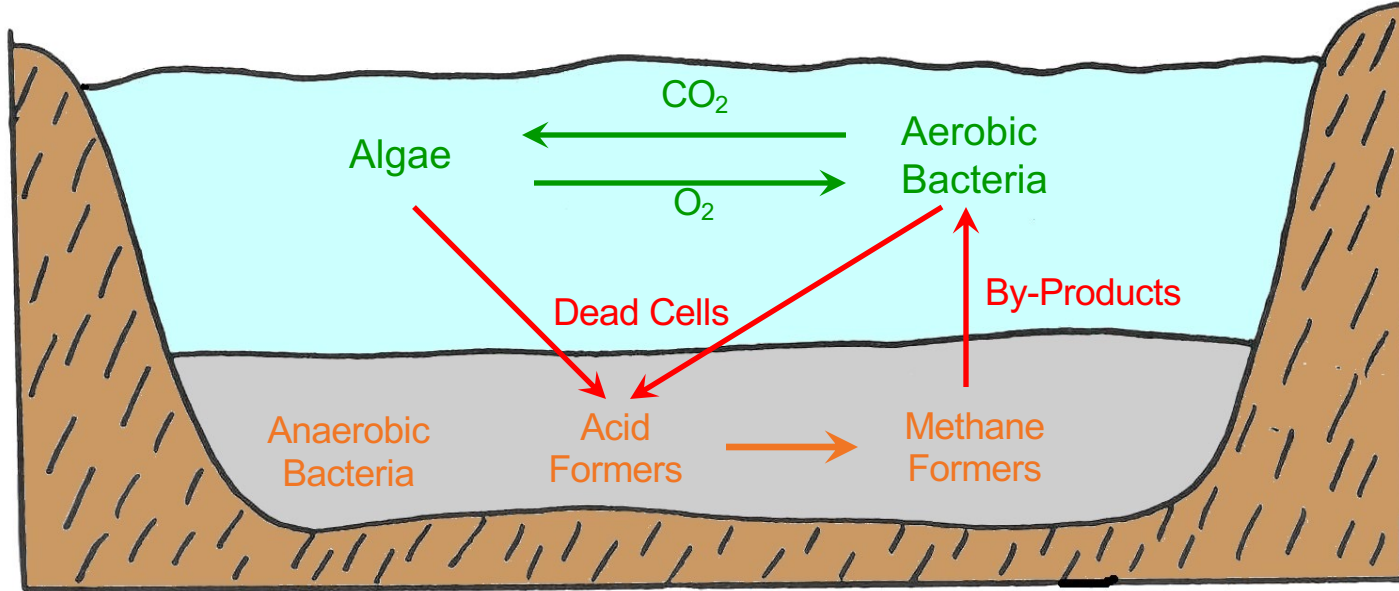
**Symbiotic  
Cycle**

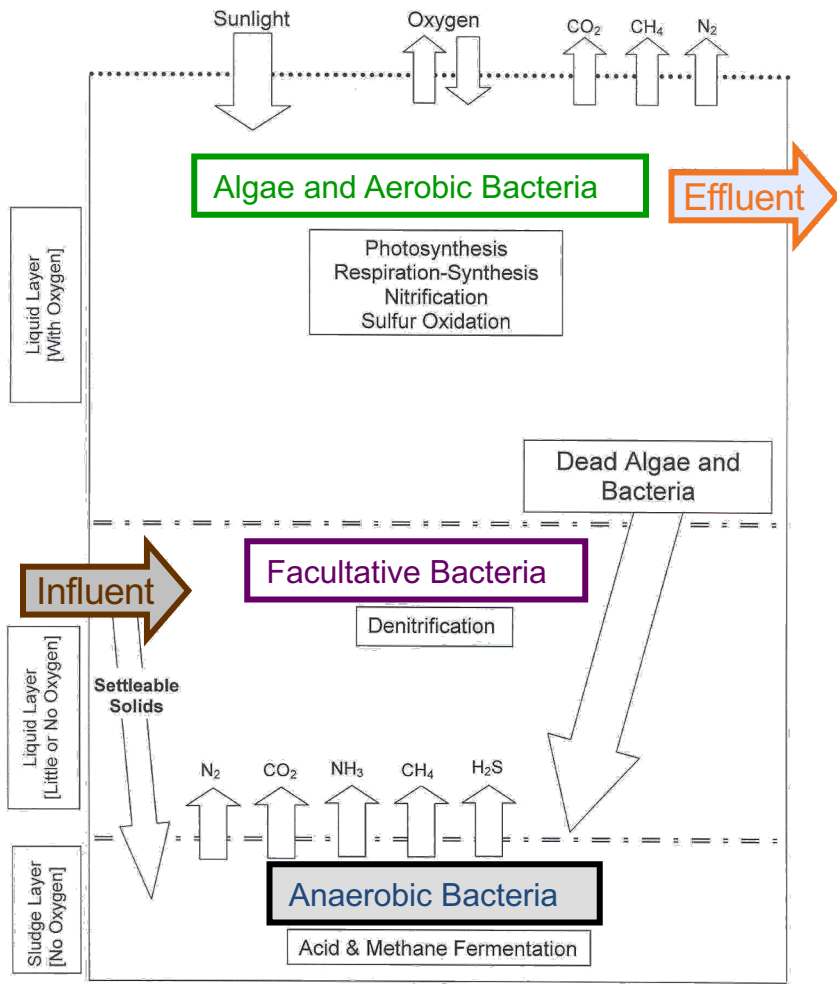


# Zonal Relationships in a Lagoon



# ACTIVITY IN FACULTATIVE PONDS





**ACTIVITY IN FACULTATIVE LAGOONS**

# **FACTORS THAT AFFECT THE TREATMENT PROCESS**

## Influence of Wind

**Adds Oxygen**

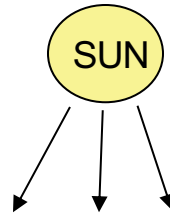
**Increases Mixing**

**Must Be Controlled**

By Minimizing Accumulations  
of Material On, In, or Around the Lagoon

# FACTORS THAT AFFECT THE TREATMENT PROCESS

## Influence of Light



**Photosynthesis**

**Disinfection**

**Must Be Controlled**

By Minimizing Accumulations  
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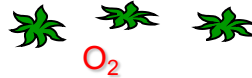
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## Influence of Temperature

Aerobic

Facultative

Anaerobic



**Rate of  
Bacterial Activity**

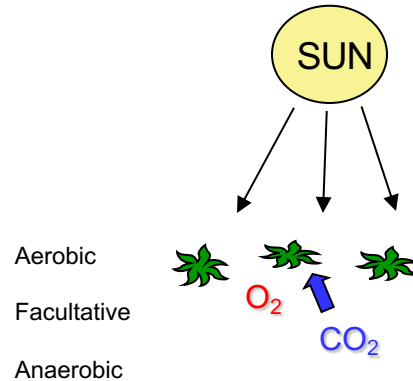
**Growth of Algae**

**D.O. Saturation**

Must Be Considered

# FACTORS THAT AFFECT THE TREATMENT PROCESS

## Daily Fluctuations

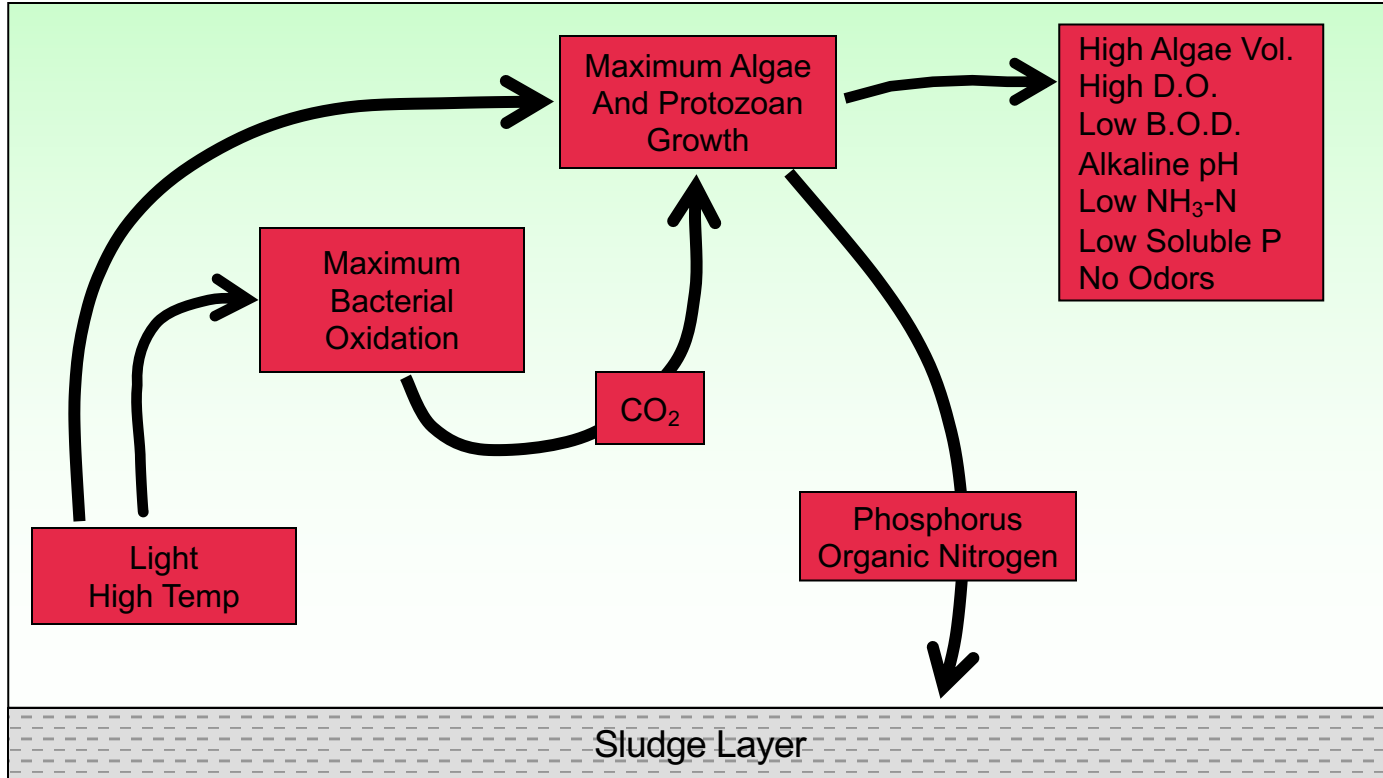


Temperature  
Dissolved Oxygen  
pH

Must Be Considered

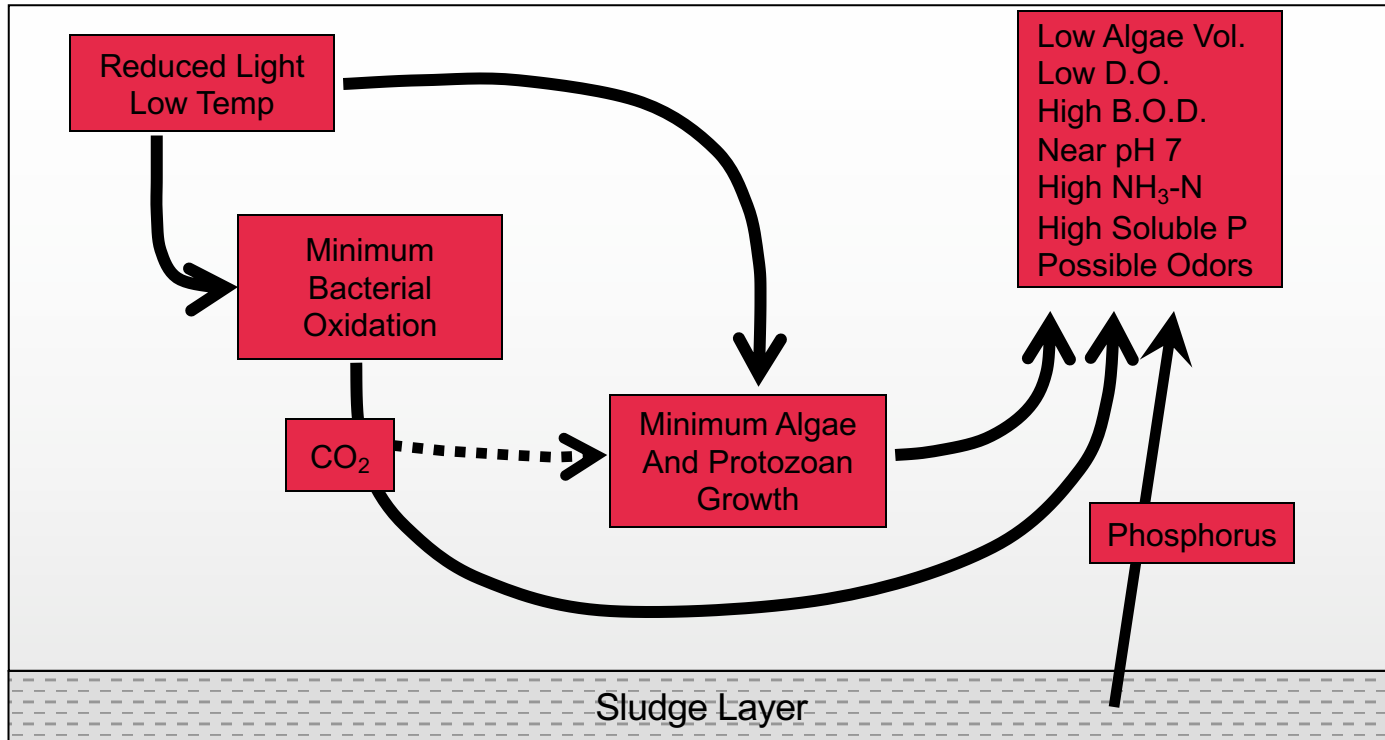
# SEASONAL VARIATIONS

## Summer To Fall



# SEASONAL VARIATIONS

## Winter To Early Spring



# SEASONAL VARIATIONS

Spring and Fall

Transition Periods

Optimum for Discharging

Within Permit Limits

High Stream Flows - Dilution

High D.O. - Lagoon and Receiving Stream

Minimal Human Contact

## ADVANTAGES of LAGOON SYSTEMS

1. Economical to Construct & Operate.
2. Low Monitoring & Control Requirements.
3. Rapid Recovery from “Shock” Loads.
4. Low Energy & Chemical Usage.
5. Low Mechanical Failure.
6. Minimal Sludge Disposal.
7. Long Life.

# DISADVANTAGES of LAGOON SYSTEMS

1. Large Land Usage.
2. Low Control Options.
3. Operations Dependant on Climate.
4. Often High Suspended Solids.
5. Seasonal Odors.
6. Possible Ground Water Contamination.
7. Not Good In High Loading Situations.

# RESULTS of PROCESS

Public Health Protected

Pathogens Removed

Environment Protected

Characteristics of Wastewater Changed

End Products Stable

Process Itself Is Not Offensive





GOOD RESULTS  
IF

Process Is In Balance

Properly Designed Facility

Process Is Controlled

System Is Maintained

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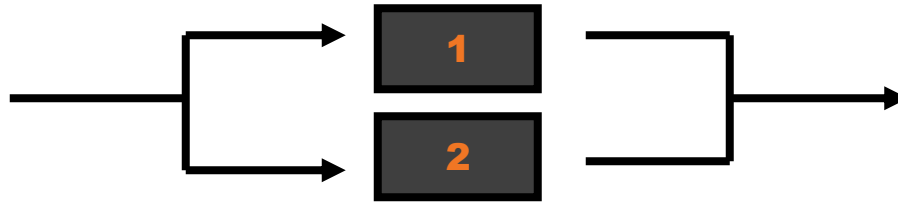
**One Very Important Tool of  
Design and Operation  
Is The Ability and Use of  
Series or Parallel  
Flow Through the System**

## Series

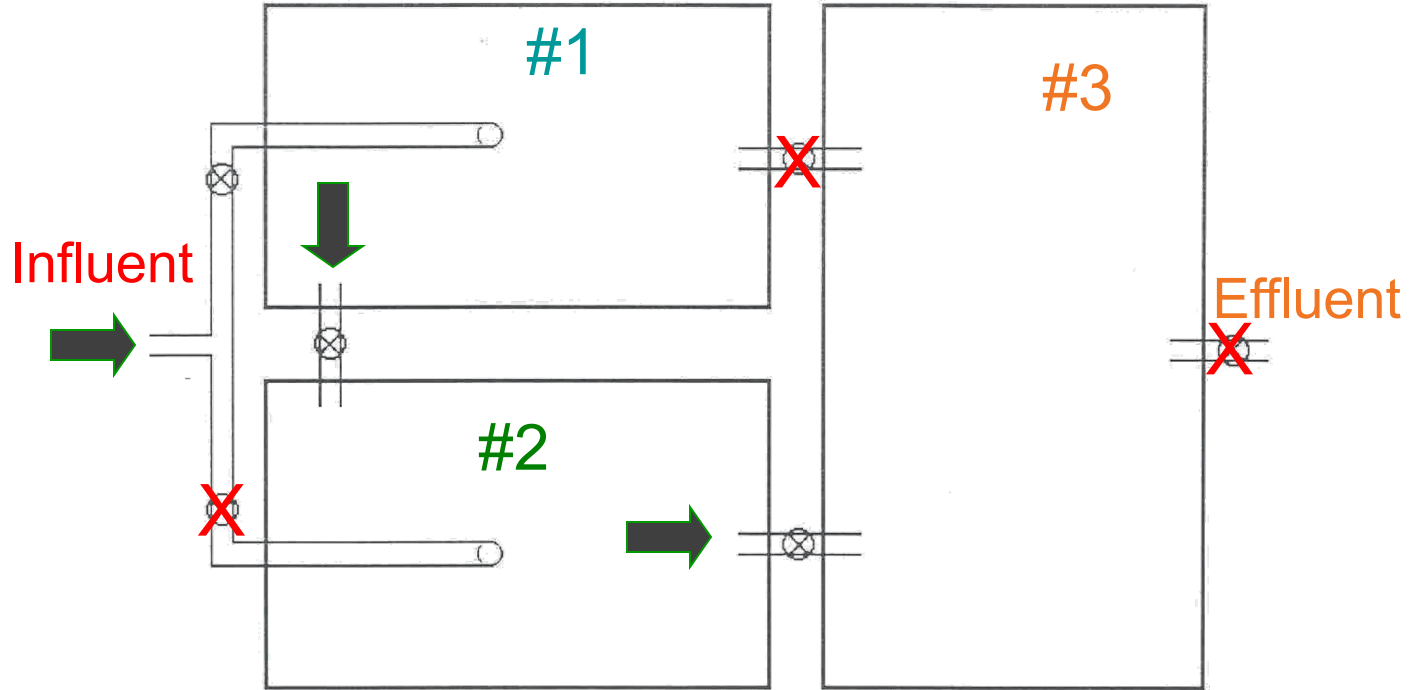


OR

## Parallel

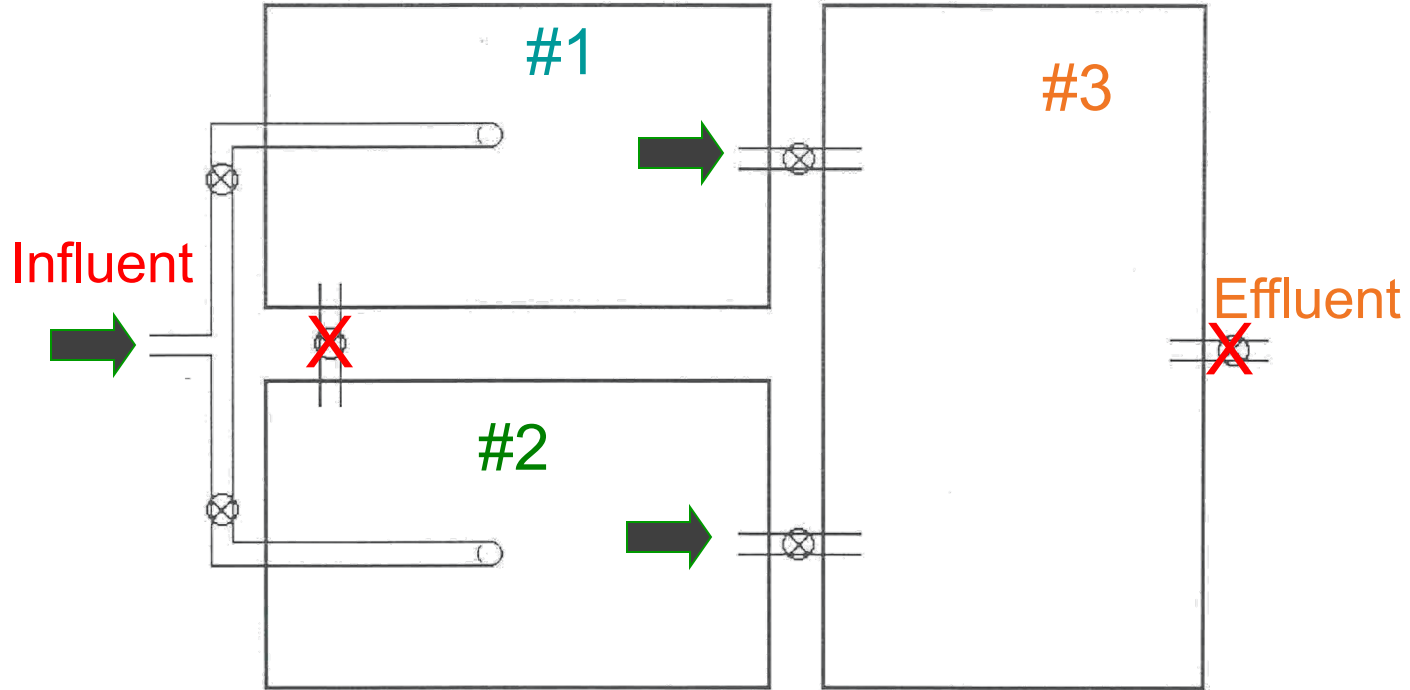


# Typical Lagoon System



**SERIES OPERATION**

# Typical Lagoon System



PARALLEL OPERATION

## Series



**Placing Majority of Load on First Cell**  
**Summer Operation**

## Parallel



**Dividing Organic Load Between At Least T**  
**wo Cells**  
**Winter Operation**



# Loading

Amount Applied  
to the  
Treatment Process

Related to the SIZE of the System

**For Lagoons**  $m$   
  
**Surface Area of the System**

# Loading

Amount Applied  
to the  
Treatment Process

Population Loading

Hydraulic Loading

Organic Loading

# POPULATION LOADING

Number of Persons per Acre

$$= \frac{\text{Population Served (persons)}}{\text{Area of Lagoon (Acres)}}$$

General

50 to 500 Persons per Acre

Michigan

100 Persons per Acre

# Hydraulic Loading

VOLUME of Wastewater to be Treated

Flow Rate

Gallons per Day (gpd)

OR

Million Gallons per Day (MGD)

Inches per Day

$$= \frac{\text{Influent Rate (gallons per day)}}{\text{Pond Volume (gallons per inch)}}$$

1. A lagoon have 350 m long, 230 m width, and operating depth 5 m.

- Find surface area of median depth

$$350 \text{ m} \times 230 \text{ m} = 80,500 \text{ m}^2$$

- Calculate operating volume in m<sup>3</sup>

$$80,500 \text{ m}^2 \times 5 \text{ m} = 402,500 \text{ m}^3$$

convert into litre (1m<sup>3</sup> = 1000 L) so become 402,500,000 L

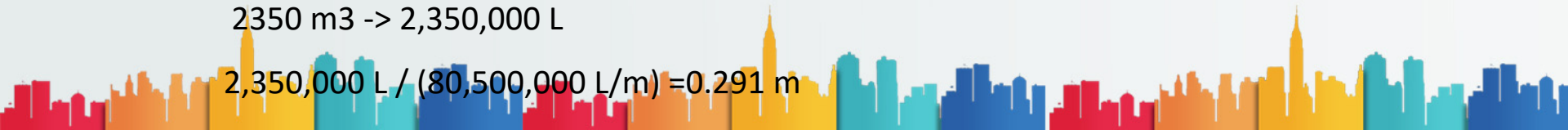
- Calculate litre per metre of depth

$$402,500,000 \text{ L} / 5 \text{ m} = 80,500,000 \text{ L/m}$$

- How many metres would the water drop if  $2.35 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3$  were discharged?

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