

15CH210 Chemical Process Technology

Unit 4 - Natural Products

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Unit 4 Natural Products

- Edible and essential oils Industries
 - Manufacture of soaps, detergents and glycerine
 - Introduction and Manufacture of Kraft Pulp, Paper
 - Soda recovery process
 - Manufacture of starch and its derivatives
 - Manufacture of sugar
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Unit 4 Natural Products - Edible and essential oils Industries

- Manufacture of edible oil
- **Hydrogenation of Edible oil**

Unit 4 Natural Products - Edible oils

R	No. of Double Bonds	Melting point	Reactivity
Stearic	0	69	Nil
Oleic	1	14	Fair
Linoleic	2	- 5	Rapid
Linolenic	3	- 11	Extremely rapid

The table shows a clear trend: as the number of double bonds increases, the melting point decreases and the reactivity increases. A blue arrow points downwards from the melting point of Oleic (14) to Linolenic (-11), and a green arrow points upwards from the reactivity of Oleic (Fair) to Linolenic (Extremely rapid). The 'Nil' reactivity for Stearic and the 'Extremely rapid' reactivity for Linolenic are circled in green and red, respectively.

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Hydrogenation

Hydrogenation is a unit process which is used in the fat and oil industry to **remove the double bonds**, raise melting point of the fat, and **improve its resistance to rancid oxidation**.

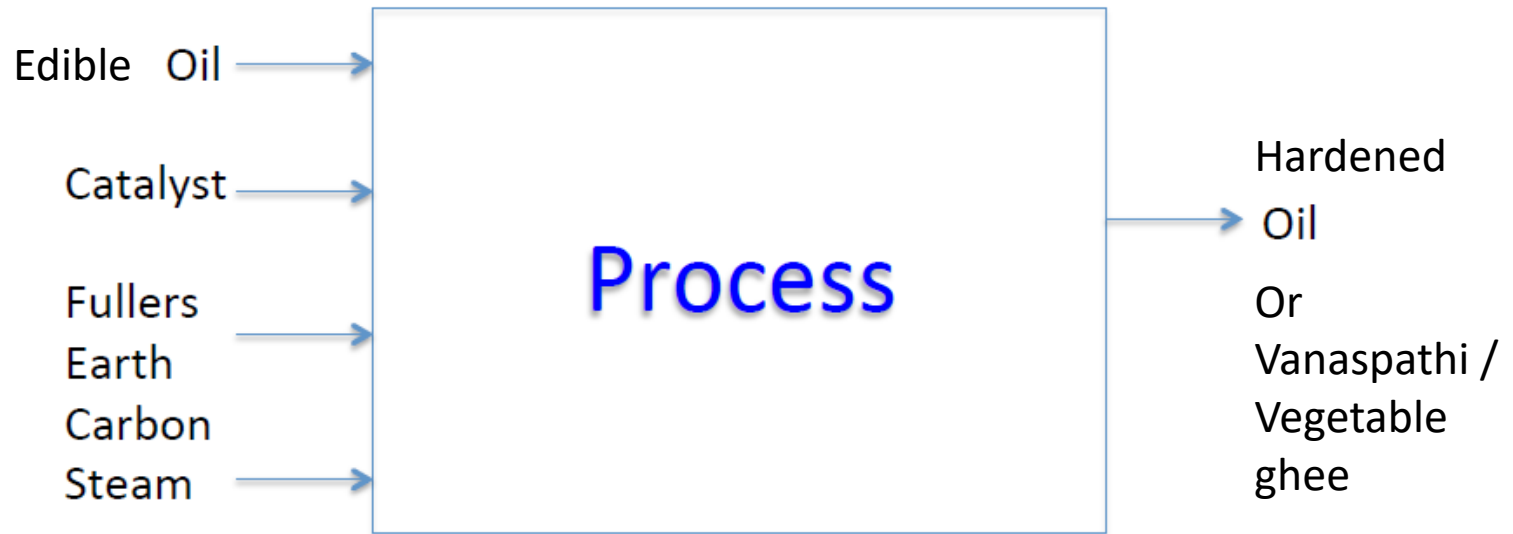
Hardening of oils

Glycerides of unsaturated acids are liquid at room temperature and so are unsuitable for edible fats. By converting the **unsaturated acids into saturated acids, oils are changed into fats** by introduction of **hydrogen**.

This introduction of hydrogen is known **as *hardening of oils***. The oil is heated and hydrogen is passed under pressure, in the presence of finely divided nickel catalyst.

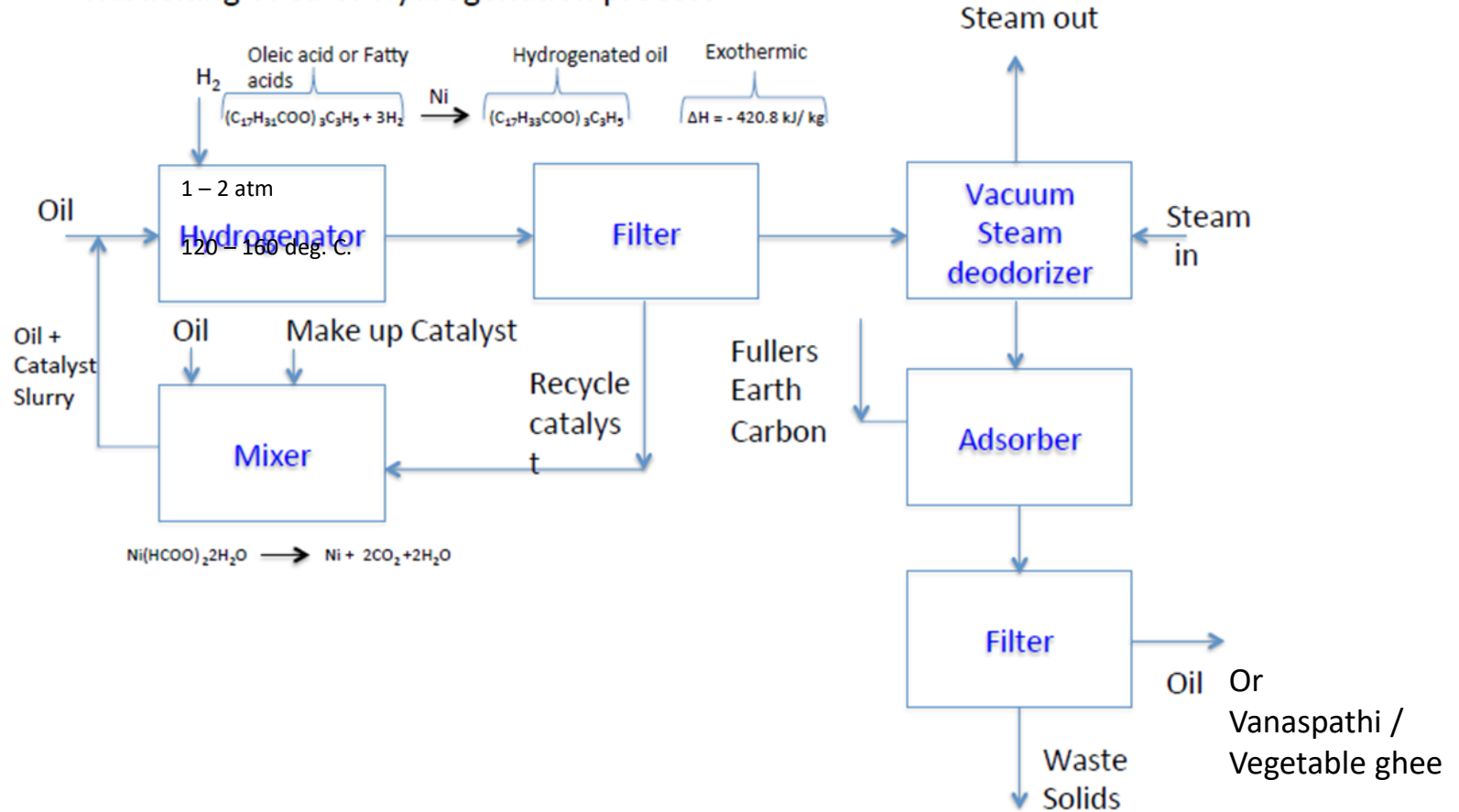
The major end product in India is **Vanaspathi**, a solidified household oil for cooking. Other products are **vegetable ghee**, hardened industrial oil, and so on.

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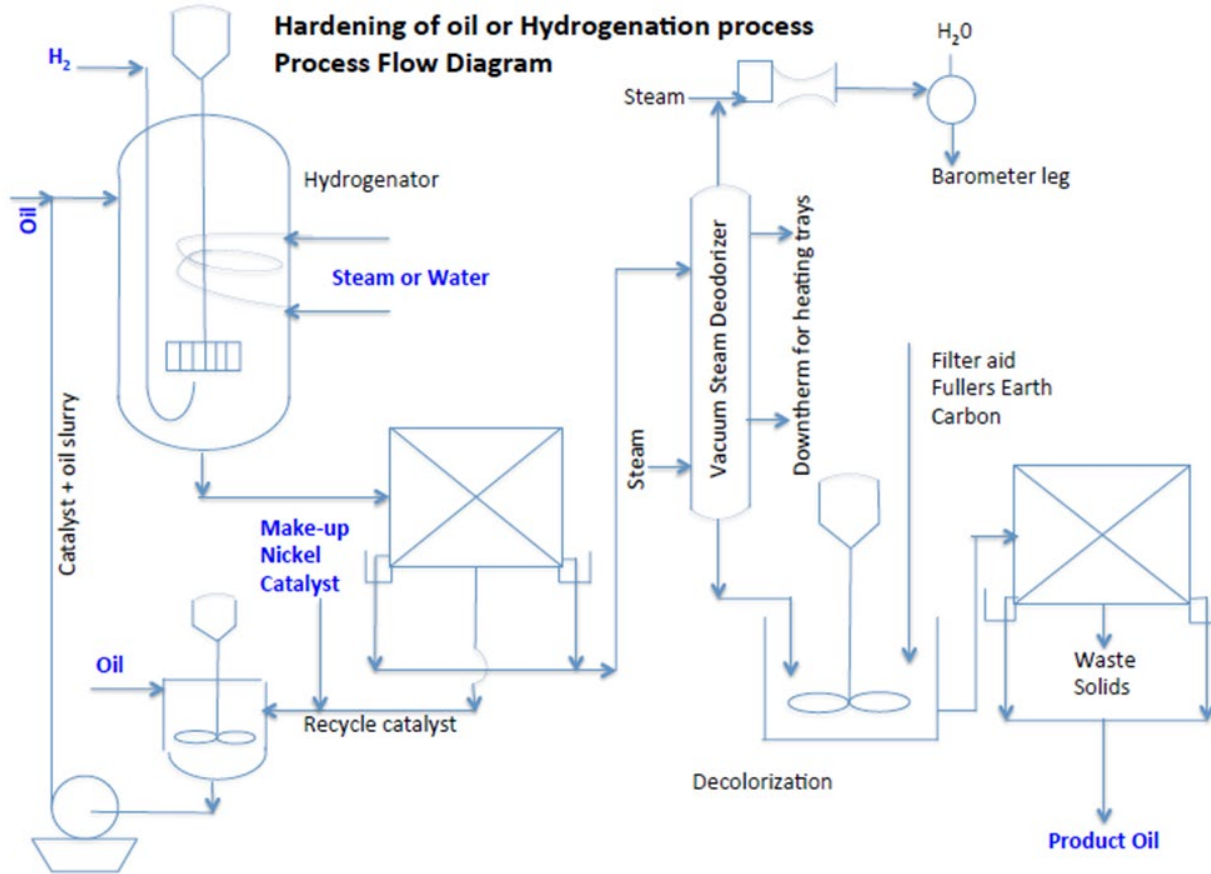


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Hardening of oil or Hydrogenation process



Unit 4 Natural Products - Hydrogenation of edible oils



DOWTHERM™ A is a eutectic mixture of two very stable compounds, biphenyl - $C_{12}H_{10}$; diphenyl oxide - $C_{12}H_{10}O$.

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S. No	Process	Equipment	Unit operations	Unit process	Objective	Operating conditions
1.	Hydrogenation (Batch/ Continuous)	(a) Hydrogenator	—————	Hydrogenation	Remove the double bond to improve the resistance to rancidity	1 – 2 atm 120 -160 deg. C
		(b) Filter	Solid-liquid separation	—————	Separation and recycle of oil and oil slurry with catalyst	—————
		(c) Vacuum steam deodorizer	Liquid-gas separation	—————	Remove volatile odorous materials by using steam	—————
		(d) Adsorber	Solid-liquid Separation by pressing	—————	Removal of color components using adsorbents	—————
		(e) Filter	Solid-liquid separation	—————	Separation of oil and solid waste	—————
		(f) Catalyst mixer	Solid-Liquid mixing	—————	Mixing of catalyst With oil	

Unit 4 **Natural Products** - Hydrogenation of edible oils

Uses

Edible oils

Food - Hydrogenated oil (Vanaspathi)

Soaps and Detergents

Cosmetics

Paints and Varnishes

Essential oils

Cosmetics

Perfumes

Soaps

Medicines

Unit 4 **Natural Products** – Soaps and Detergents

If an oil is hydrolyzed and or saponified with alkali soaps are obtained.

Any metallic salts of fatty acid is soap, but the term soap is applied to water soluble salts.

Soaps comprises of the sodium or potassium salts of various fatty acids but chiefly of oleic, stearic, palmitic, lauric and myristic acids.

The saturated fat gives hard soaps, whereas unsaturated fat gives soft soaps on saponification

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Detergents differ from soap in their **action in hard water**.

Detergents may react with hard water ions, but the **resulting products are either soluble or remain colloiddally dispersed in water**.

Scientifically, the term detergent **covers both soap and synthetic detergents or “Syndents”** but it is widely used to indicate synthetic cleaning compound.

Unit 4 Natural Products – Soaps and Detergents

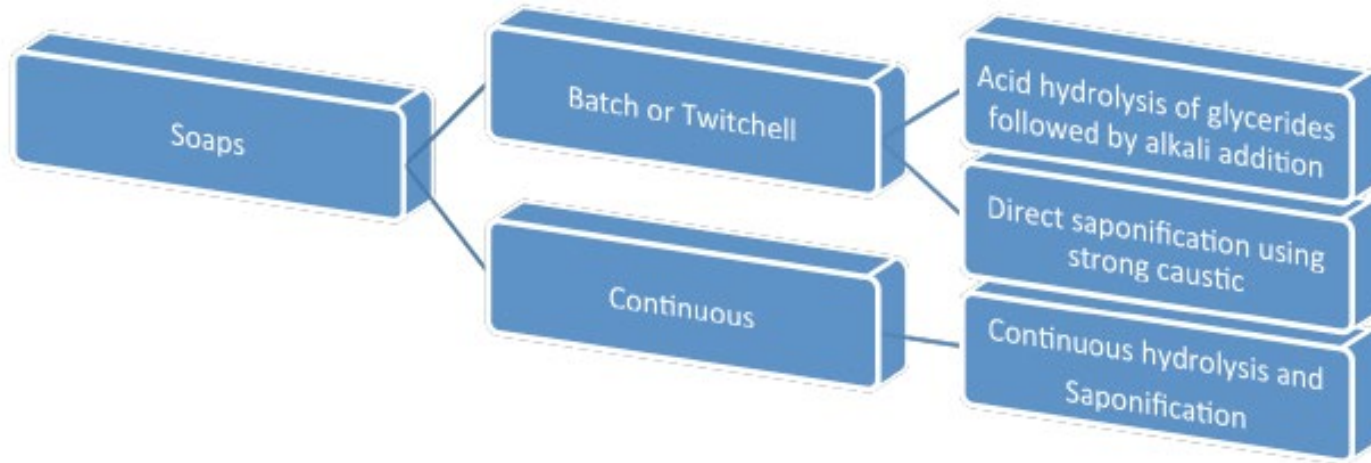
S. No	Soaps	Detergents
01.	Soaps from insoluble compounds with the calcium and magnesium ions present in hard water	Detergents may react with hard water ions, but the resulting products are either soluble or remain colloiddally dispersed in water.
		Synthetic cleaning compound
02.	To make soap Tallow /or rice bran oil + Hydrolysis → (Splitting fats) Tallow fatty acid or fa	Alkylbenzene sulfonate + oleum → Disulfonate and Sulfuric acid
03.	Tallow /or rice bran oil + NaOH → (Saponification) Sodium salt	Tallow fatty alcohol + oleum → Fatty alcohol sulfate
04.	Salt of fatty acid + builders, etc → Soap	Sulfonate + Sulfate + NaOH → Sodium salts
		Sodium salt + Builders detergents →

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Glycerin is a clear, nearly colorless liquid having a sweet taste but no odor.

The term glycerin is chosen for the technical product containing the pure trihydroxy alcohol "*glycerol*".

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Unit 4 **Natural Products – Soaps and Detergents**

	Batch (Twitchell) Process	Continuous process
Temperature, deg. C	150 – 175	230 - 250
Pressure, mPa (g)	5.2 – 10	4.1 – 4.9 40 – 45 atm
Catalyst	Alkyl aryl sulfonic acids, Oxides of calcium, zinc and magnesium i.e. CaO, ZnO, MgO.	Same catalyst or optional
Acid used	Sulfuric acid	_____
Time, h	12 – 48	2 – 3
Operation equipment	Batch	Continuous
Hydrolysis	85 – 98 %	97 – 99%
Glycerol obtained	5 – 15%	10 – 25%
Advantages	Low temperature, adaptable to small scale	Small floor space, uniform product quality, high yield of acids, high glycerin concentration, automatic control
Disadvantages	Catalyst handling; long reaction time, need more than one stage for good yield	High temperature and pressure, High cost and greater operating skill

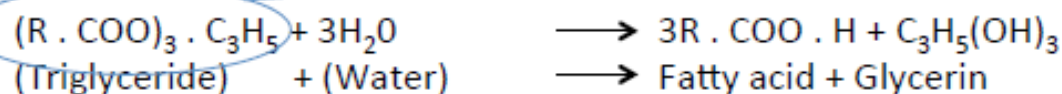
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Continuous hydrolysis and Saponification

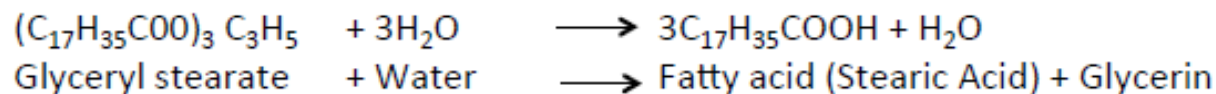


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Hydrolysis (Fat – Splitting)



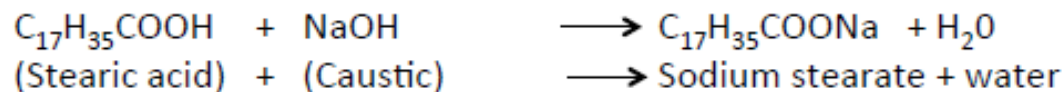
Fatty acid radical representing oleic, stearic, palmitic, lauric and myristic acids



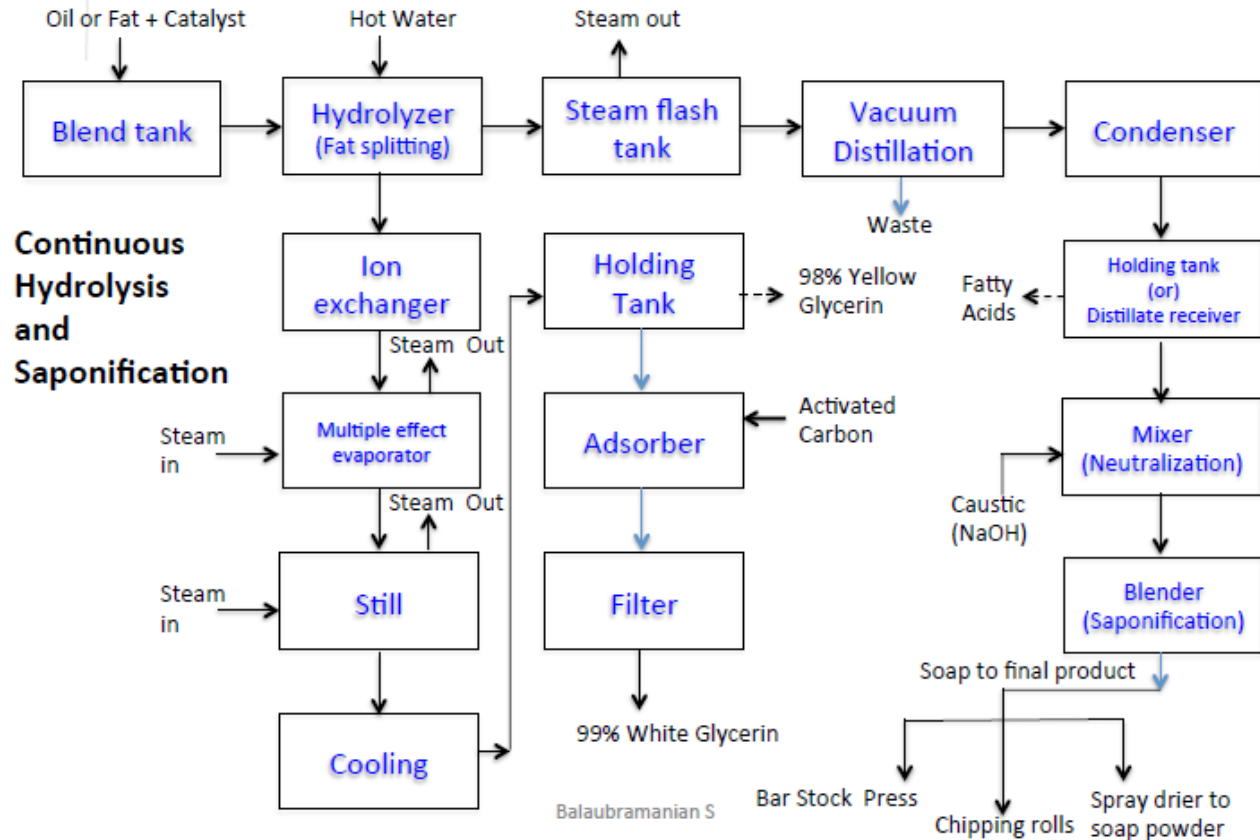
Saponification (Caustic Addition)



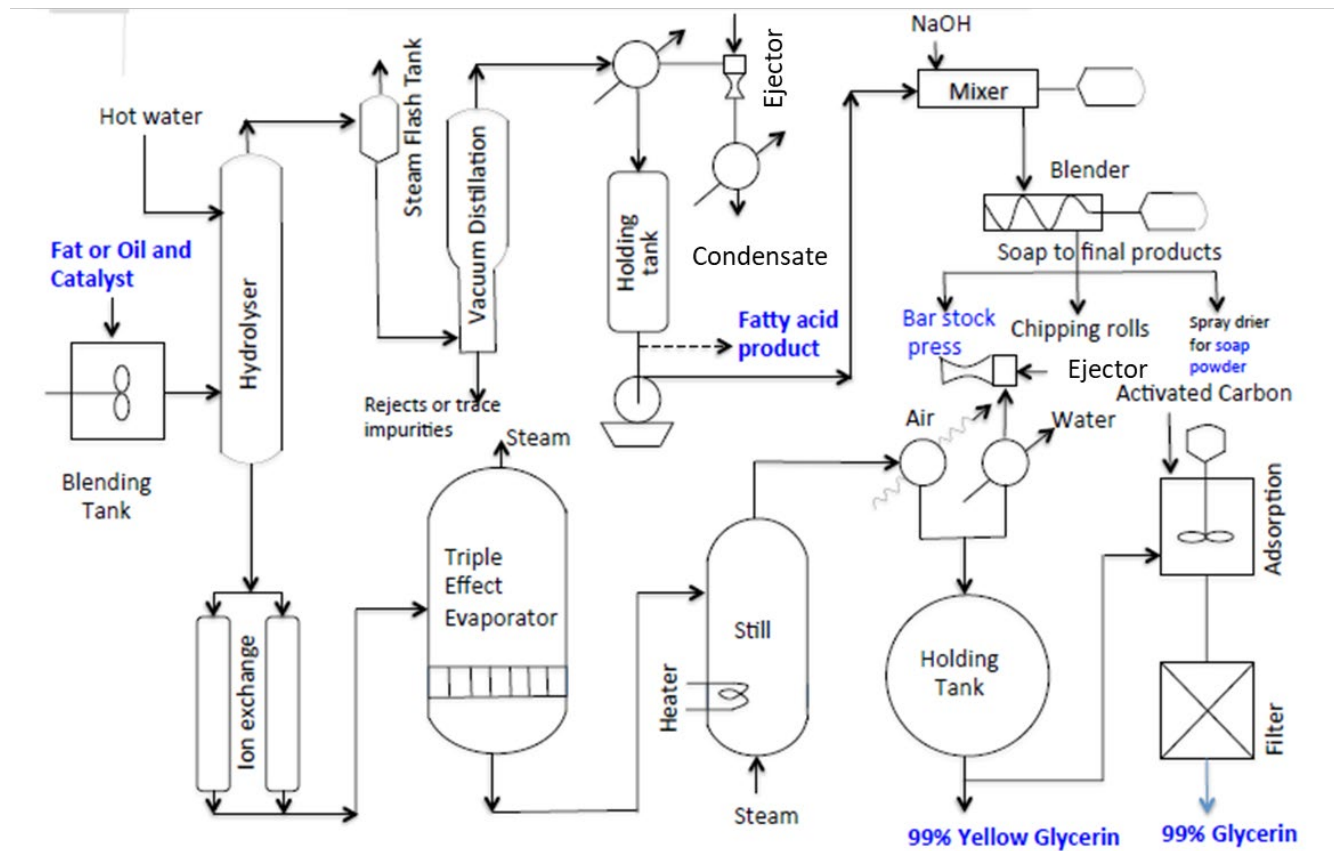
Alkali element such as Na or K



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S. No	Process	Equipment	Unit operations	Unit process	Objective	Operating conditions
1.	Continuous Hydrolysis and Saponification (Continuous Process)	(a) Blend tank	Physical blending	_____	Blending of fat or oil and catalyst	_____
		(b) Hydrolyzer	_____	Hydrolysis	Splitting of fats	230 - 250 deg. C 40 – 45 atm
		(c) Ion exchanger	Ion exchange	_____	Separation of dissolved salts and glycerides collected from the hydrolyzer as the bottom product	_____
		(d) Evaporator	Evaporation	_____	Separation of water and glycerides (or) Concentration of glycerides	_____

Unit 4 **Natural Products – Soaps and Detergents**

S. No	Process	Equipment	Unit operations	Unit process	Objective	Operating conditions
		(e) Distillation still	Distillation	_____	Glycerides obtained from the evaporator is purified to produce 99% Yellow Glycerin	_____
		(f) Cooler (or) Heat exchanger	Cooling or Heat transfer	_____	Cool the glycerides obtained from the still	_____
		(g) Holding tank	Storage	_____	Cooled glycerides Stored	_____
		(h) Adsorber	Adsorption	_____	Removal of color constituents using activated carbon as the adsorbent	_____

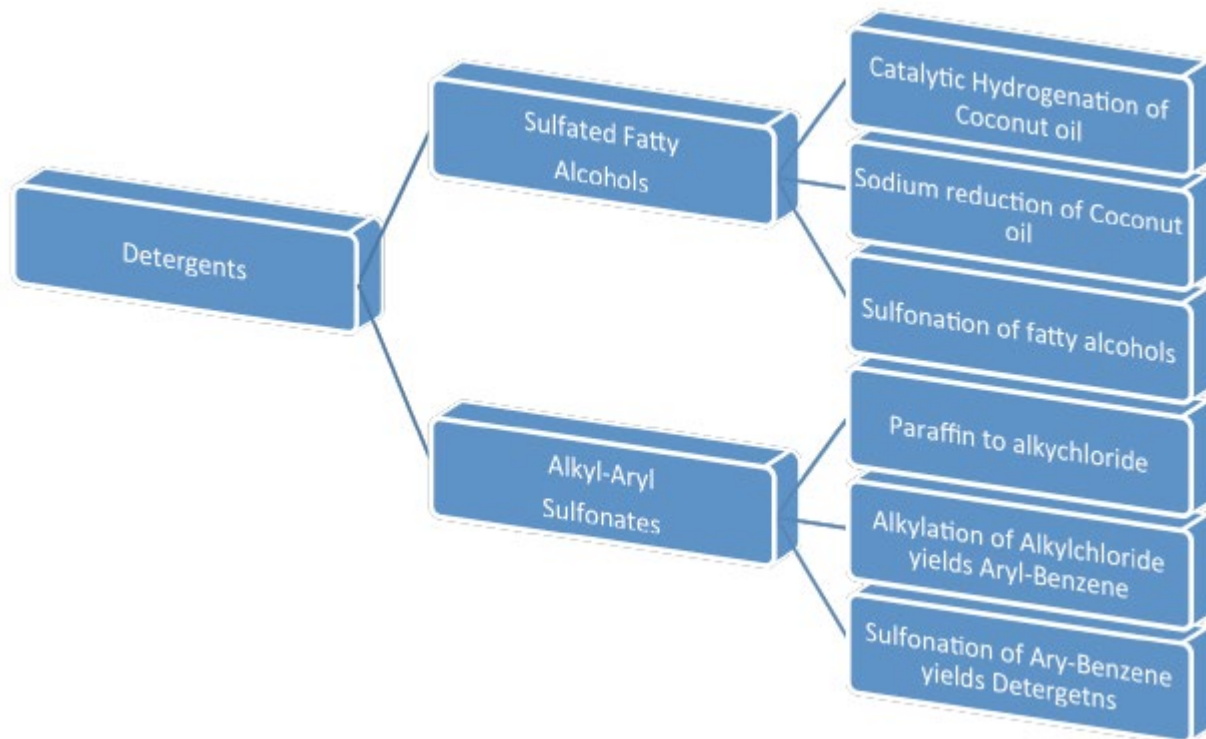
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		(i) Filter	Filtration	_____	Final separation of glycerides	_____
		(j) Steam flash tank	Steam separation	_____	Separation of steam from fatty acid	_____
		(k) Vacuum distillation column	Distillation	_____	Separation of fatty acids and trace impurities	_____
		(l) Condenser	Condensation	_____	Vapors of fatty acids converted to liquid	_____
		(m) Holding tank (or) Distillate receiver	Storage	_____	The distillate from the condenser is stored	_____

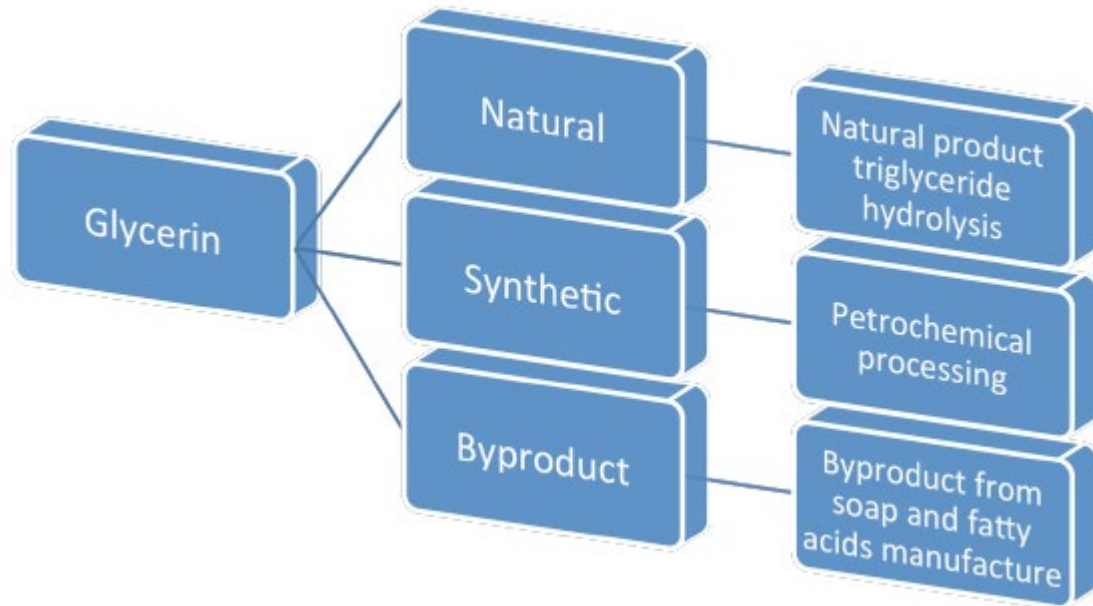
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S. No	Process	Equipment	Unit operations	Unit process	Objective	Operating conditions
		(n) Mixer	Mixing	_____	Neutralization of fatty acids	_____
		(o) Blender	Blending	Saponification	Saponification of neutralized fatty acids	_____
		(p) Spray drier	Drying	_____	Drying of soaps into powder after saponification.	_____

Unit 4 Natural Products – Soaps and Detergents



Unit 4 Natural Products – Glycerine



Unit 4 **Natural Products** – Glycerine

A partial list of soaps and detergents; glycerin is given to show the diversity of application

Soaps and detergents

Textile manufacture

Sanitation

Food processing

Shaving soaps

Synthetic rubber and plastics emulsion polymerization

Paints - water emulsion formulations

Paper - Application of sizing

Glycerin

Alkyl resin and Plastics

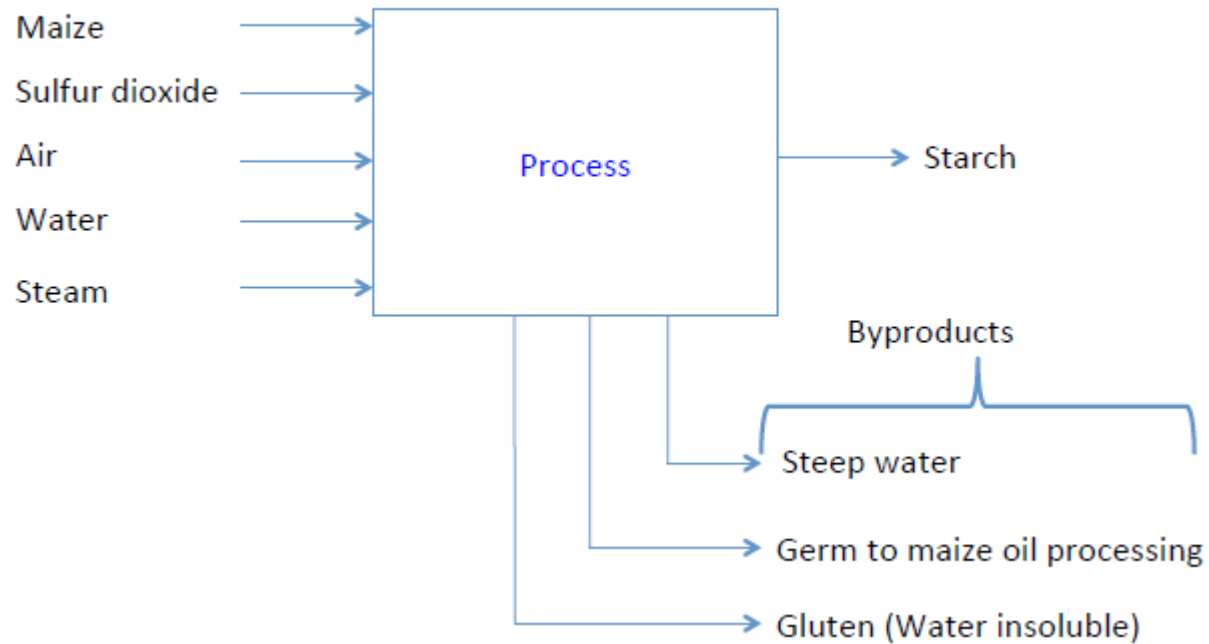
Tobacco humidification

Cellulose Plasticizer

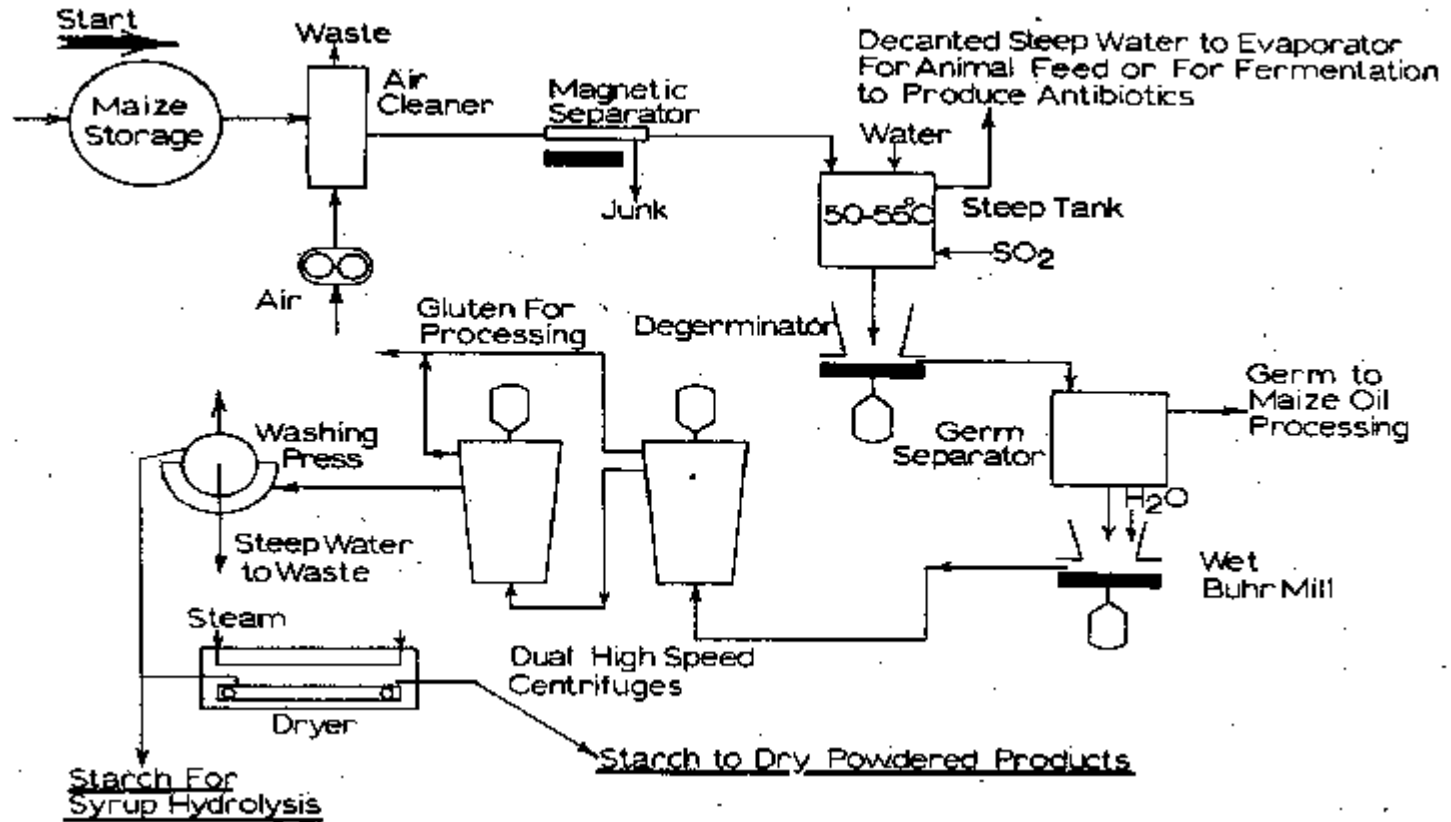
Explosives

Food and Pharmaceuticals

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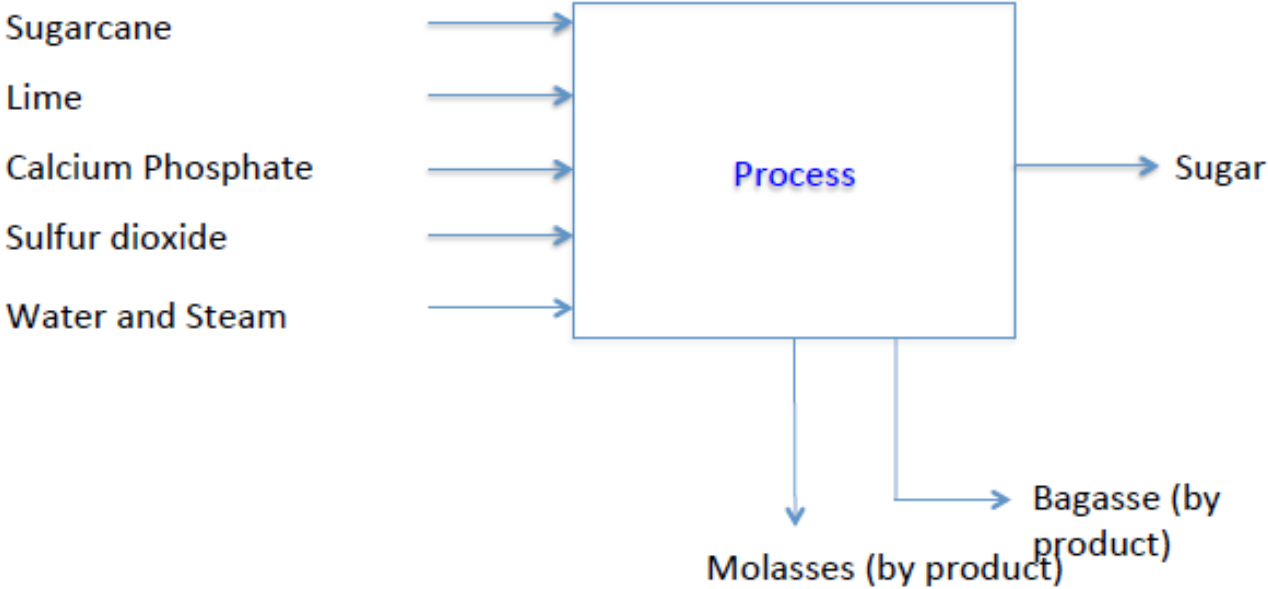
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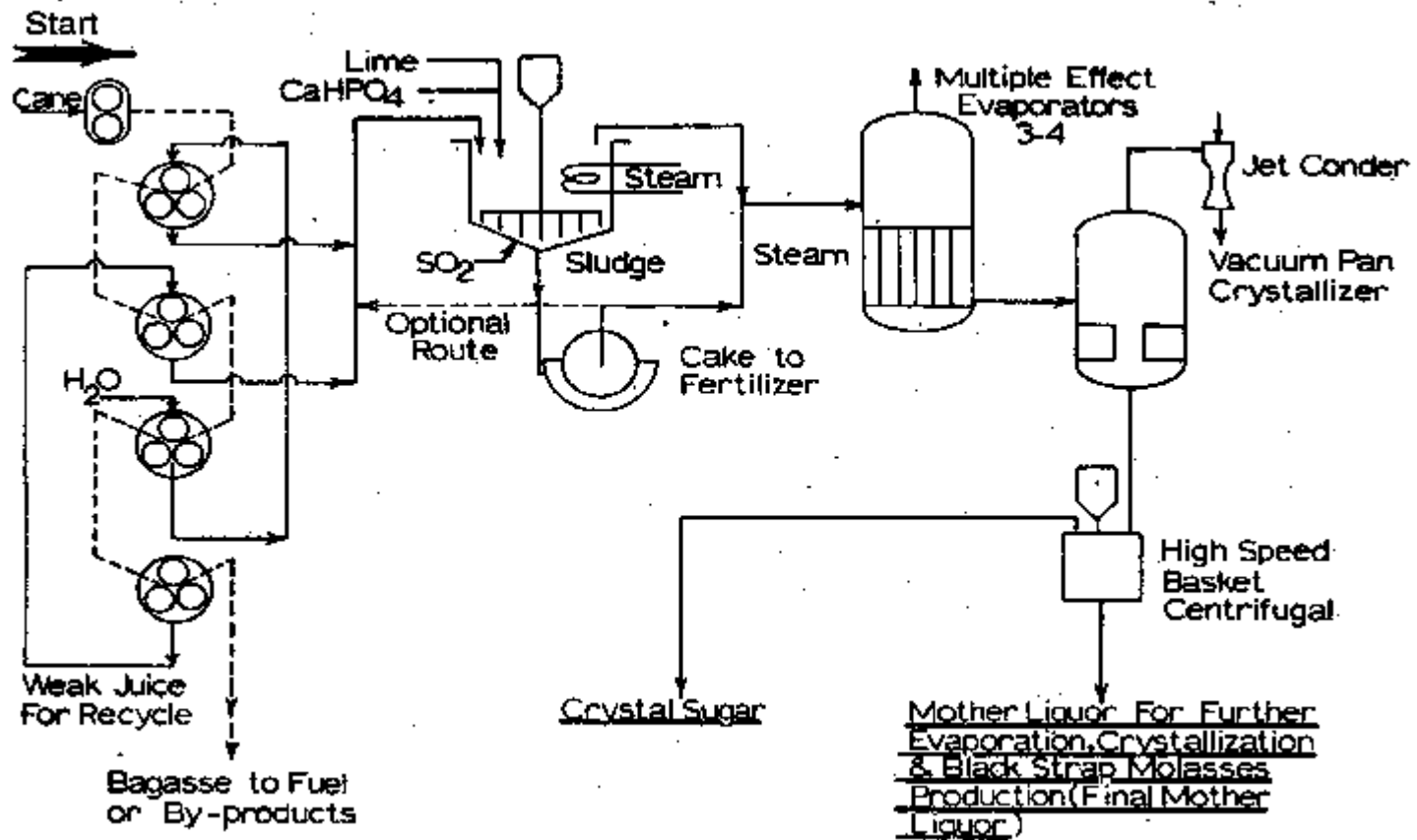
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Process	Equipment	Unit Operation	Unit Process	Objective	Operating Conditions
Continuous	Maize Storage	Storage	-----	To store the maize	-----
Continuous	Air cleaner	Cleaning	-----	Remove the dust and fines	-----
Continuous	Magnetic Separator	Particle Separation	-----	Separate metal particles	-----
Continuous	Steep tank	Decantation	-----	Add water to facilitate the germination and Removal of steep water by decantation. SO ₂ is added as bacteriostatic.	50 - 55 deg. C
Continuous	Degerminator	Grinding	-----	To rupture the cells to remove germs	-----
Continuous	Germ separator	Particle Separation	-----	To separate the germs and send it to maize Oil processing	-----
Continuous	Wet Bhur Mill	Size reduction and separation	-----	Crush the fiber and removes the undesired hulls	-----
Continuous	Dual High Speed Centrifuge	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	To separate the gluten a water insoluble protein and starch	-----

Unit 4 **Natural Products** – Manufacture of Sugar



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S. No	Process	Equipment	Unit operations	Unit process	Objective	Operating conditions
1.	Continuous	(a) Primary Crusher	Crushing	_____	To facilitate initial crushing and Squeezing of juice from sugarcane	_____
	Continuous	(b) Secondary Crushers	Solid-liquid separation (Crushing)	_____	Extracting the maxing amount of available juice from sugarcane . Expel the crushed cane (Bagasse) .	_____
	Continuous	(c) Thickener/ Clarifier/ Mixer-Settler	Solid-liquid separation (Flocculation)	_____	To separate the colloidal impurities in juice by adding lime and calcium phosphate. pH is also adjusted by adding sulfur dioxide.	_____

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S. No	Process	Equipment	Unit operations	Unit process	Objective	Operating conditions
	Continuous	(d) Rotary Drier	Solid-Liquid Separation (Filtration)	_____	To separate the cake and liquid juice obtained from the underflow of thickener/clarifier.	_____
	Continuous	(e) Evaporator	Liquid-Liquid Separation (Evaporation)	_____	To separate the solvent water from the juice. To concentrate the solute	_____
	Continuous	(f) Vacuum Pan Crystallizer	Solid – Liquid Separation (Crystallization)	_____	To produce sugar crystals and mother liquor or black strap molasses.	_____
	Continuous	(g) Basket Centrifuge	Solid – liquid Separation	_____	Separation of Sugar crystals from mother liquor.	_____

Unit 4 **Natural Products** – Manufacture of Pulp and Paper

Cellulose

Cellulose is a **polysaccharide** used in chemical industries in the form known as *chemical cellulose* for preparation of **fibers, paper, and plastics**.

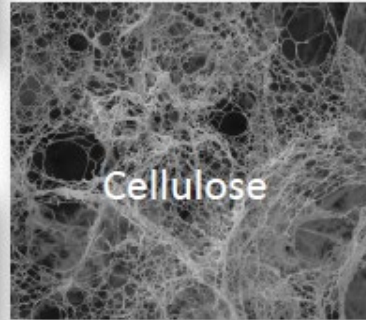
Pulp

Pulp is **commercial and or chemical cellulose** derived from bamboo, bagasse, and wood by **mechanical or chemical methods**.

Paper

Paper is defined as **matted or felted sheets of fibers**, usually cellulosic and generally formed on **a fine wire screen from a fiber-water suspension**.

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Ballarpur Industries Limited(BILT)

ITC Bhadrachalam Mill is located at Sarapaka, Andhra Pradesh

Tamil Nadu Newsprint and Papers Ltd. Kagithapuram in Karur.

Pudumjee Pulp & Paper Mills Ltd. Pune (Maharashtra, India)

The West Coast Paper Mills Ltd. Karnataka

The Andhra Pradesh Paper Mills Ltd. Rajahmundry, AP

JK Paper Jaykaypur, Orissa.

Star Paper Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh

Titagarh Paper Mills Company Ltd. Titagarh and Kakinara

Sirpur Paper Mills. Kaghaznagar, Andhra Pradesh

Sri Krishna Paper Mills and Industries Ltd. Delhi

Vikarabad Pulp and Paper Mills Pvt. Ltd. Andhra Pradesh

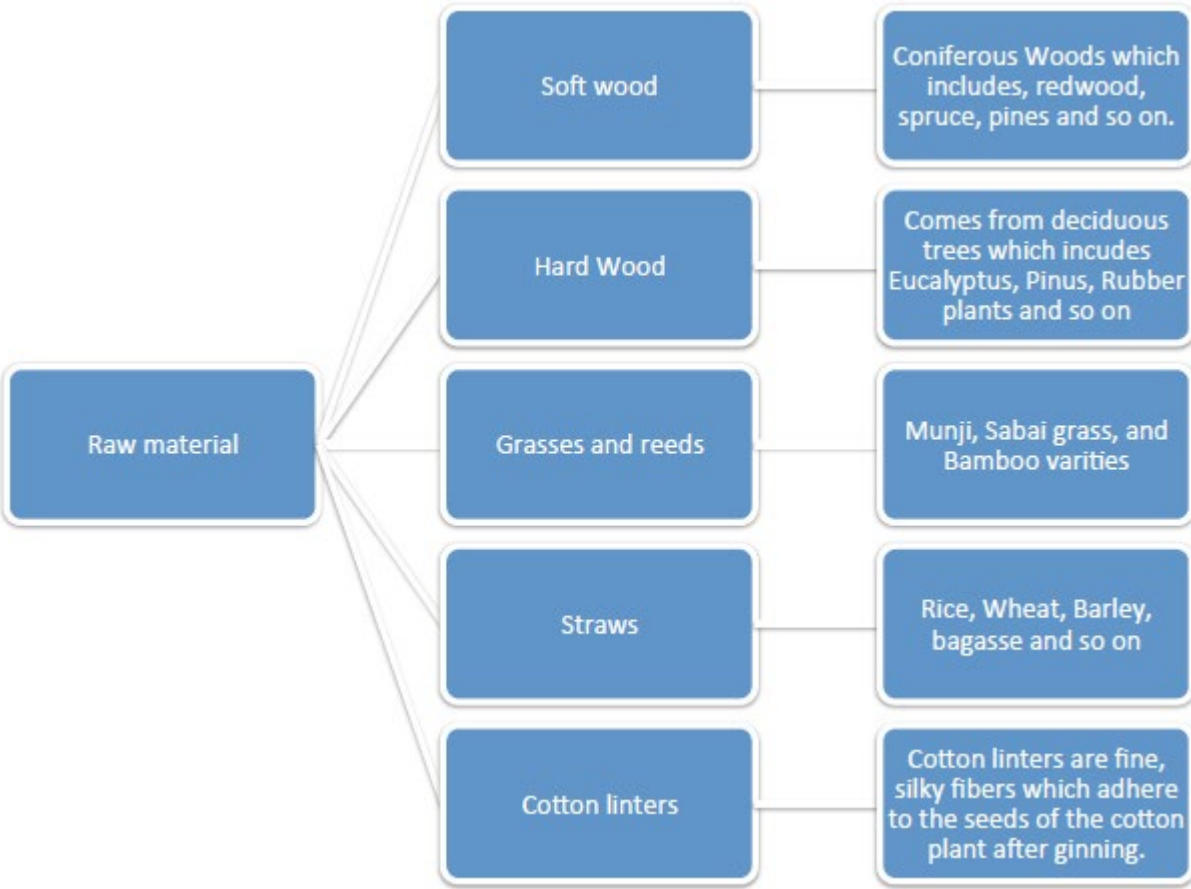
Pulping

Paper production requires a disintegration of the bulky fibrous material to individual or small agglomerate fibers. This is called *Pulping*.

The requirement of a good raw material for pulp and paper production,

1. The ideal fiber for high grade paper should be long i.e. **fiber must be long**
 2. High in **cellulose content**
 3. Low in **lignin content**
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Soft wood



Coniferous Woods which includes, redwood, spruce, pines and so on.



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Hard Wood

Comes from deciduous trees which includes Eucalyptus, Rubber plants and so on



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Grasses and reeds

Munji, Sabai grass, and
Bamboo varieties



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Straws

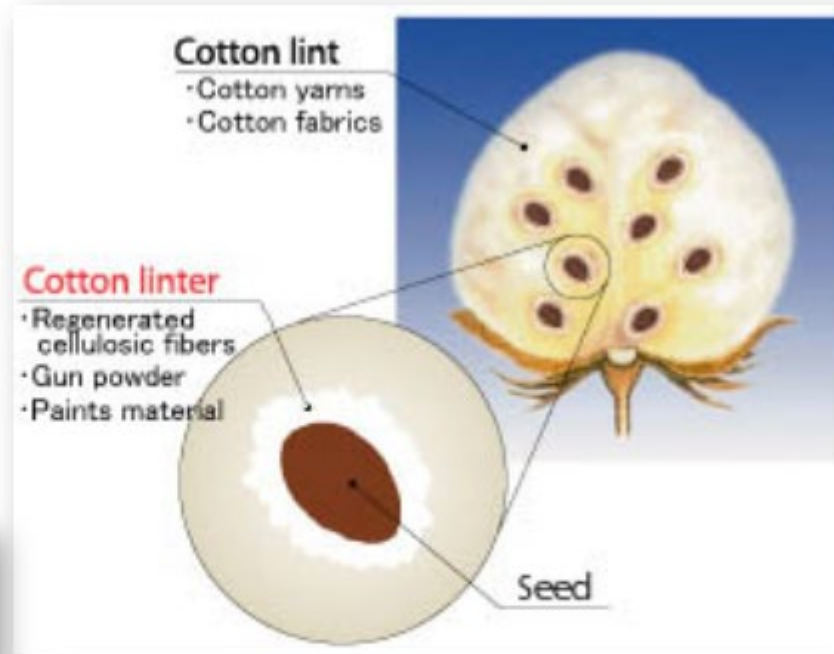
Rice, Wheat, bagasse and
so on



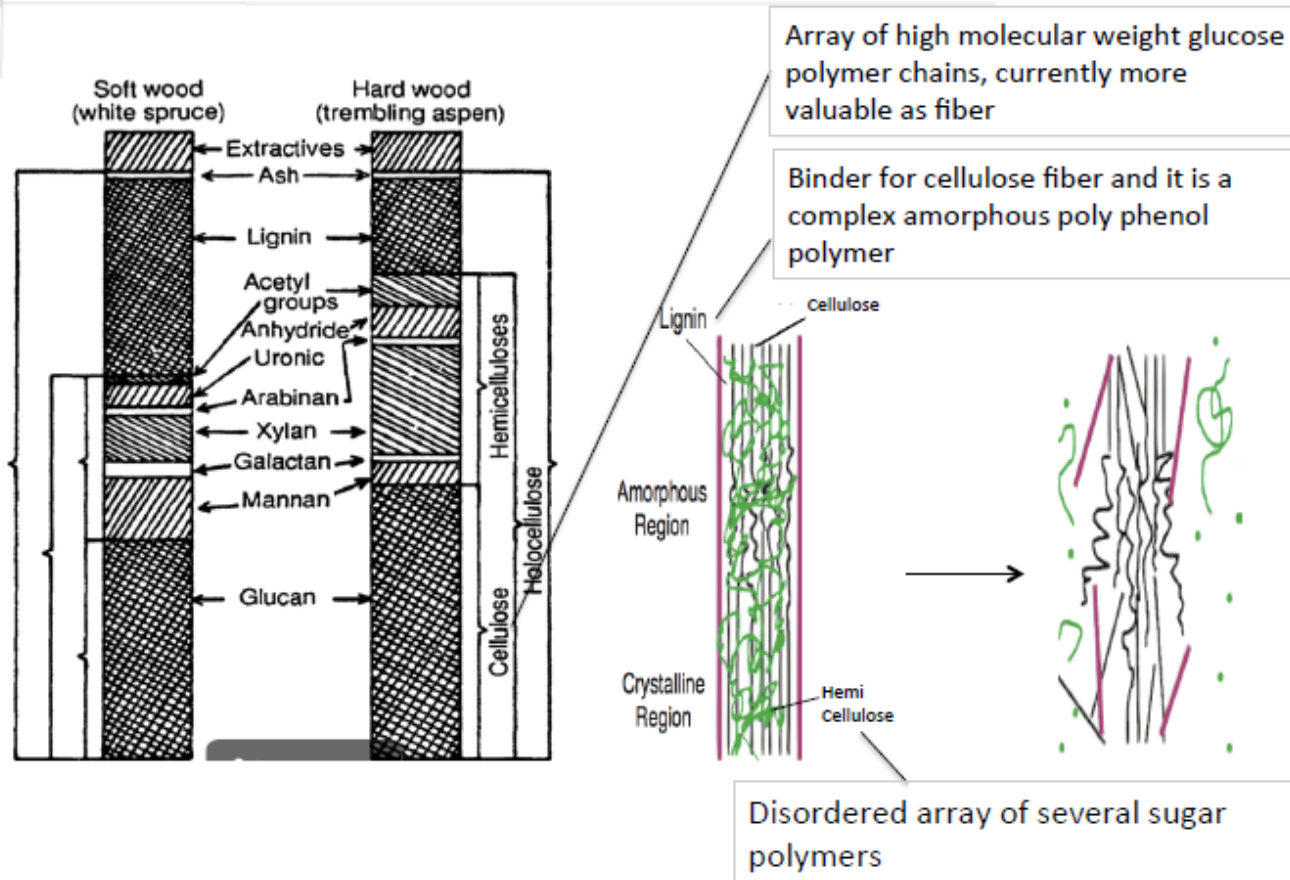
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Cotton linters

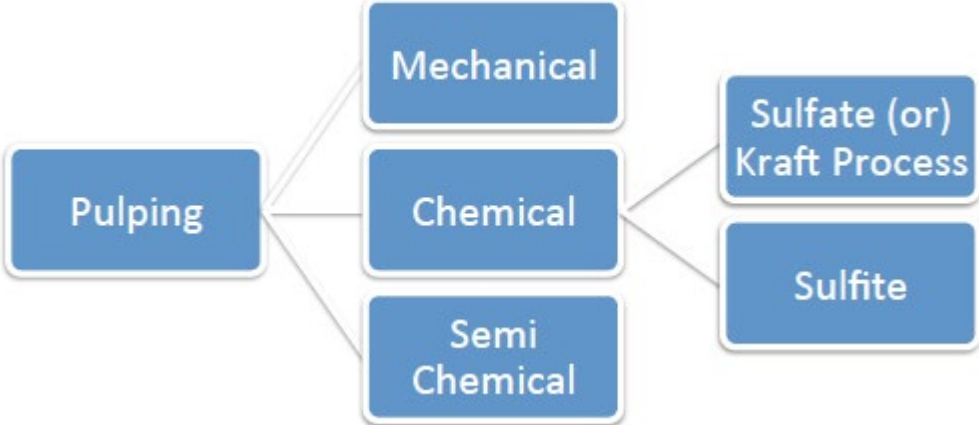
Cotton linters are fine, silky fibers which adhere to the seeds of the cotton plant after ginning.



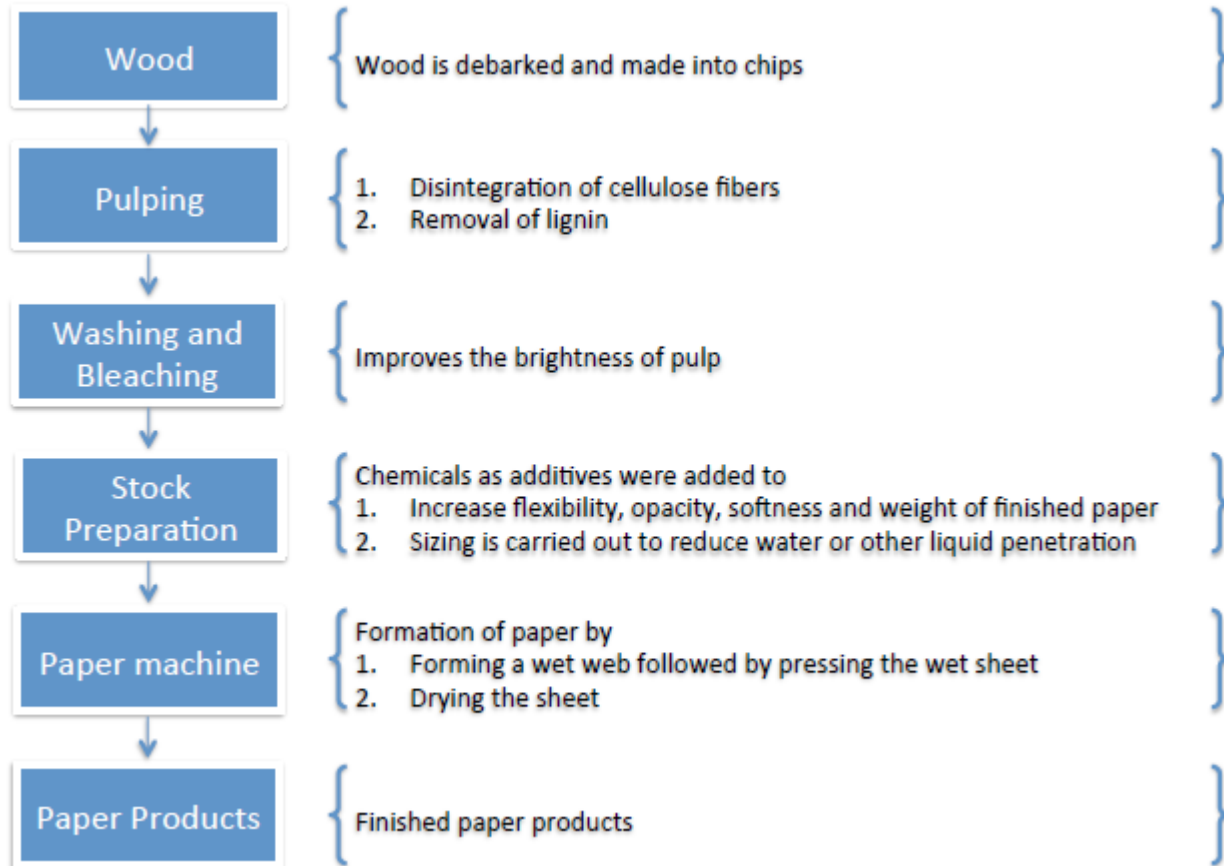
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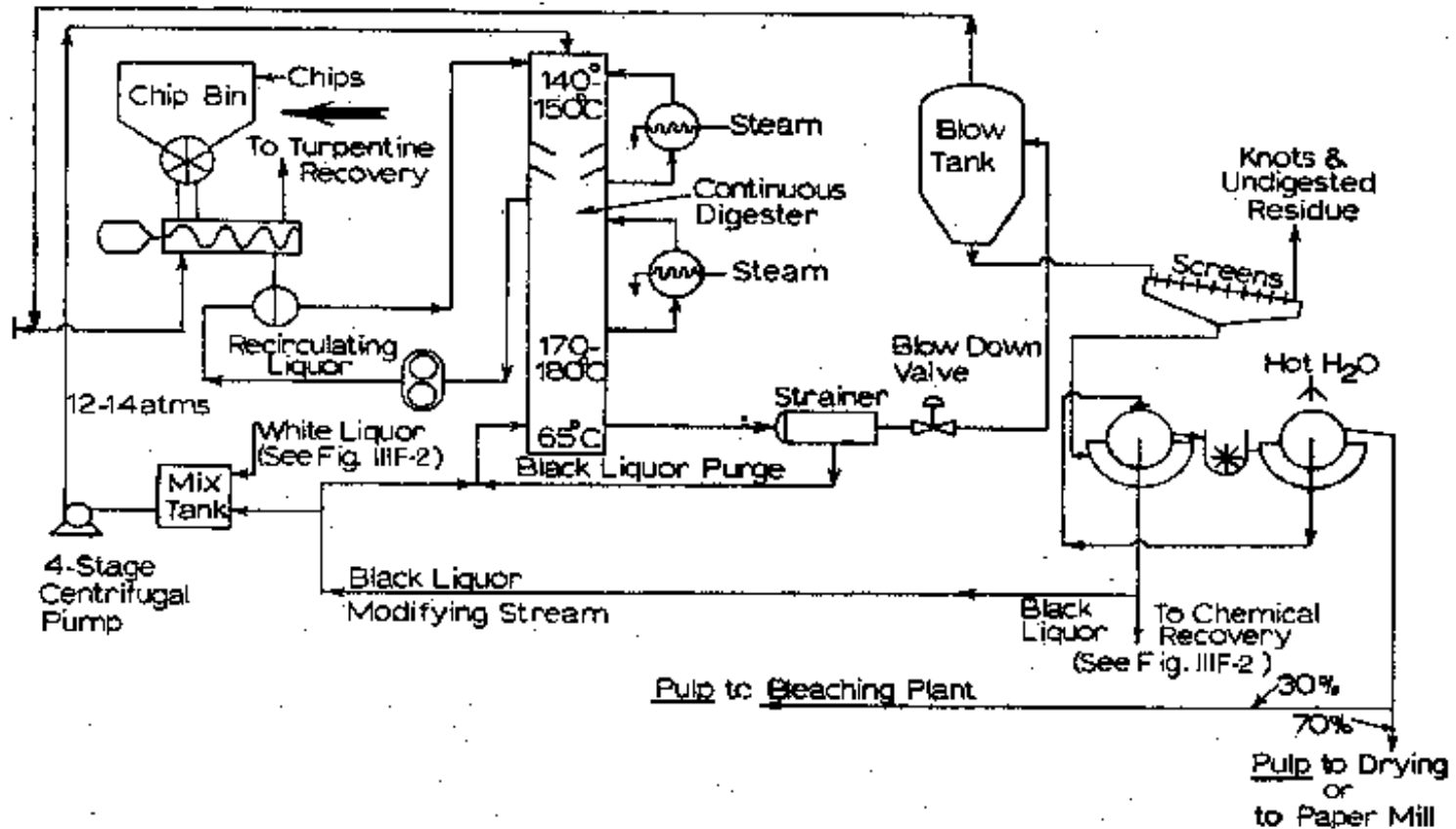
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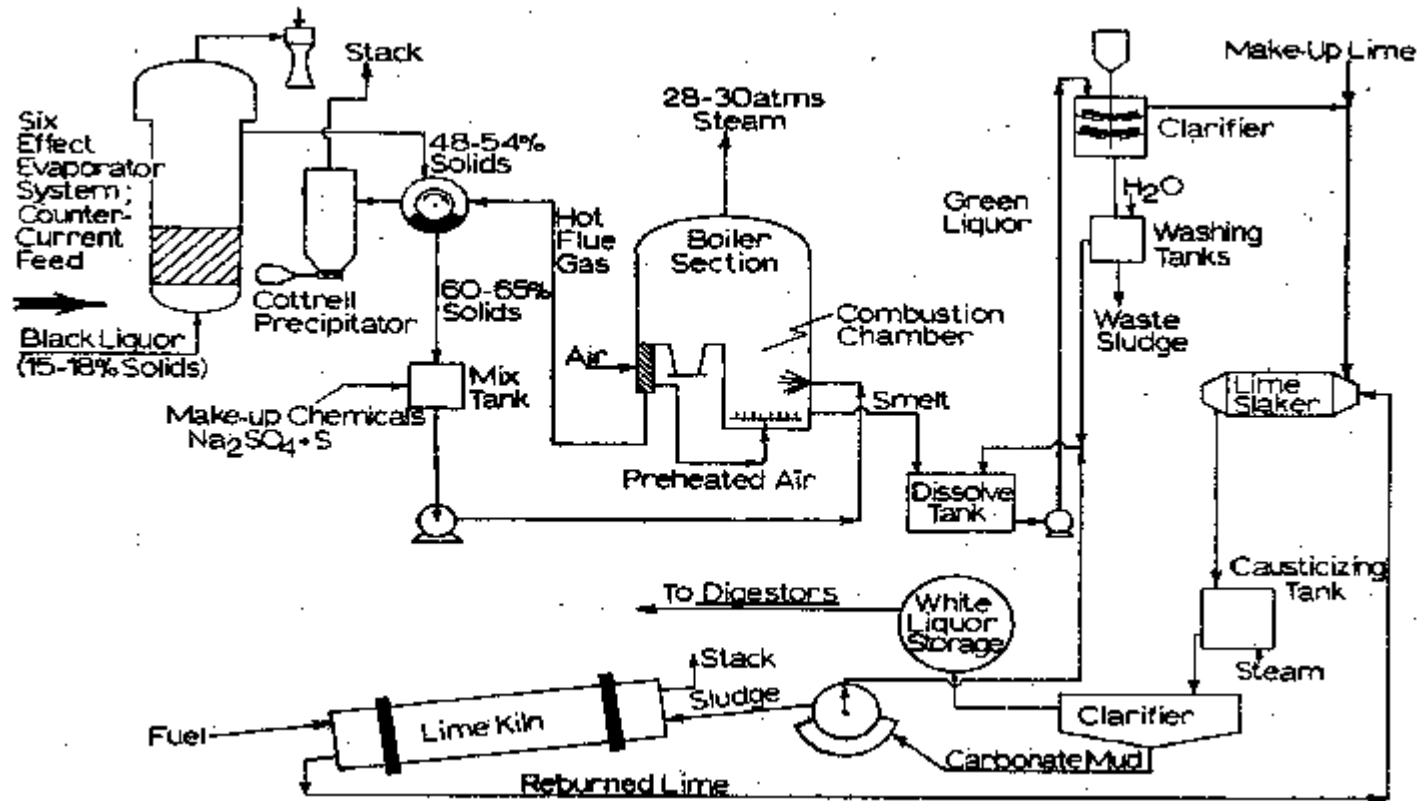
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Process	Equipment	Unit Operation	Unit Process	Objective	Operating Conditions
Continuous	Chip bin	Storage	-----	Receive and store the chips from the chipper	-----
Continuous	Digester		Hydrolysis	Solubilizing the lignin components by adding white liquor	65 – 180 deg. C 12 atm pressure
Continuous	Strainer	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	Removal of black liquor and solubilized lignin	-----
Continuous	Blow down tank	Storage and Transportation	-----	Cool and transport the digested pulp to further processes. Separate the turpentine as the top product and reuse it to preheat the chips entering into the chip bin.	-----
Continuous	Screen	Size separation	-----	To remove the wood knots and other undigested residue	-----
Continuous	Washing	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	Recover the black liquor by washing the digested wood cellulose. Prepare the cellulose for bleaching	-----

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Process	Equipment	Unit Operation	Unit Process	Objective	Operating Conditions
Continuous	Multiple Effect Evaporator	Solid-Liquid separation	-----	To concentrate the black liquor	5 - 6 stages
Continuous	Smelting furnace	-----	Oxidation	Burn the organic carbon to produce an inorganic Molten slag. CO ₂ is liberated. To facilitate the process alkali is supplied via Na ₂ SO ₄ $2\text{NaR (Lignin)} + \text{Air} \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{CO}_2$ $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{C from R} \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{S} + 2\text{CO}_2$	-----
Continuous	Dissolve tank	Physical Separation	-----	Bring contact between slag and water to yield Green liquor	-----
Continuous	Clarifier	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	To separate insoluble impurities such as unburned carbon and also to obtained a clear liquor by adding lime	-----
Continuous	Washing tank	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	To separate and cool the clarifier sludge	-----
Continuous	Rotary drum Filter	Solid-Liquid separation	-----	Thickening sludge obtained from the clarifier	-----
Continuous	Lime kiln	Drying	-----	Remove the moisture and recovers the lime to reuse as causticizing agent.	-----
Continuous	Lime Slacker	Mixing		Mixing quick lime with water to prepare white liquor	

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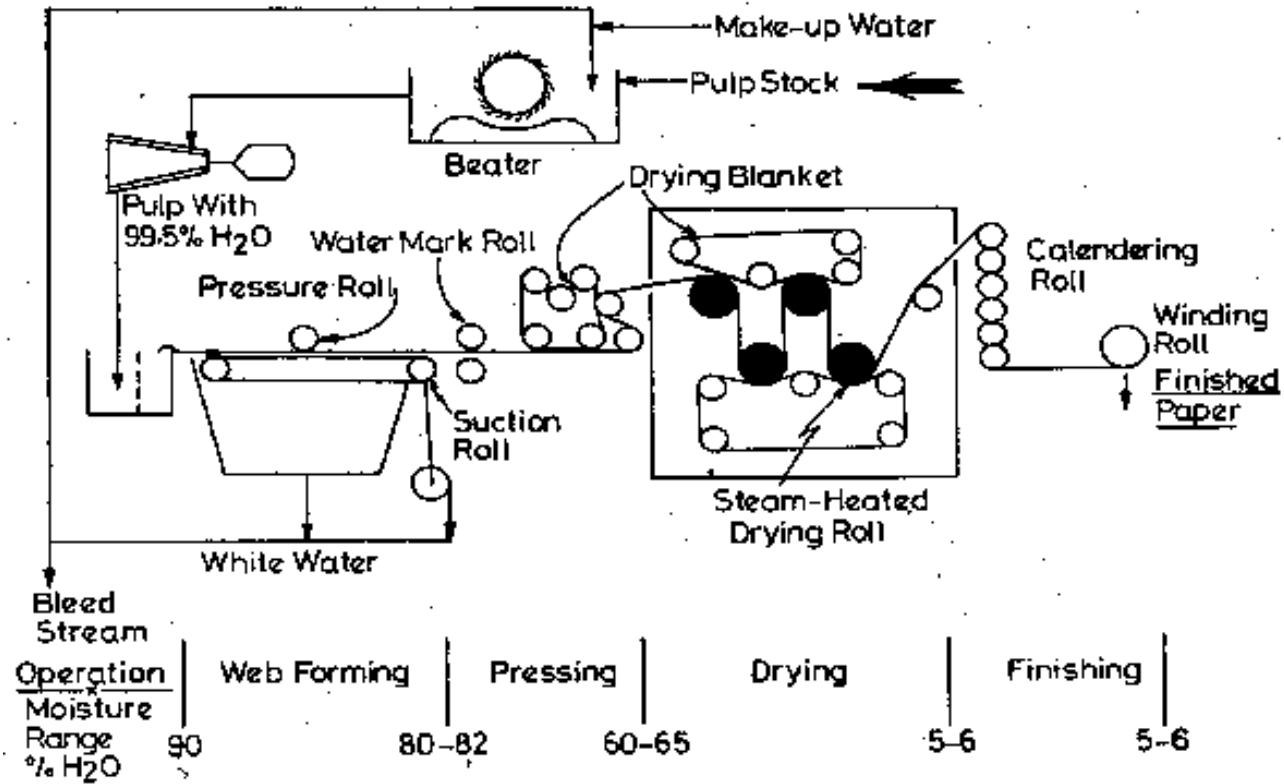
Process	Equipment	Unit Operation	Unit Process	Objective	Operating Conditions
Continuous	Causticizing Tank	-----	Causticizing	To prepare white liquor for digestion $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 (\text{aq}) + \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2 (\text{s}) \rightarrow 2\text{NaOH} (\text{aq}) + \text{CaCO}_3 (\text{s})$ $\text{CaCO}_3 \rightarrow \text{CaO} + \text{CO}_2$ $\text{CaO} + \text{Water} \rightarrow \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$	-----
Continuous	Clarifier	Solid – Liquid Separation	-----	Separate white liquor and solid impurities	-----
Continuous	Storage tank	Storage	-----	Store the white liquor	-----

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Primary process involved in the paper sheet formation:

- Random arrangement of fibers into a wet web
 - Removal of free water from wet web by wet pressing
 - Progressive removal of additional water by heated rolls
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Process	Equipment	Unit Operation	Unit Process	Objective	Operating Conditions
Continuous	Beater	Mechanical Separation	-----	Disintegrate the fibers	-----
Continuous	Press rolls	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	Random arrangement of fibers into a web form. Removal of free water (White water) from wet web by pressing and compaction	80% of water removal
Continuous	Suction rolls	Solid-Liquid Separation	-----	Water removal	60-65% of water removal
Continuous	Drying Blanket	Solid-Liquid separation	-----	Removal of residual moisture	5-6% of remaining water removal
Continuous	Calenderia rolls	Physical Rolling	-----	Rolling of sheet of paper	-----
Continuous	Winding rolls	Physical Rolling	-----	Rolling finished paper	-----

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Uses

Writing-printing papers

News print papers

Coated printing papers

Packaging papers

Tissue papers

Corrugated boards

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