

CT4471 Drinking water I

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nanofiltration and reverse osmosis

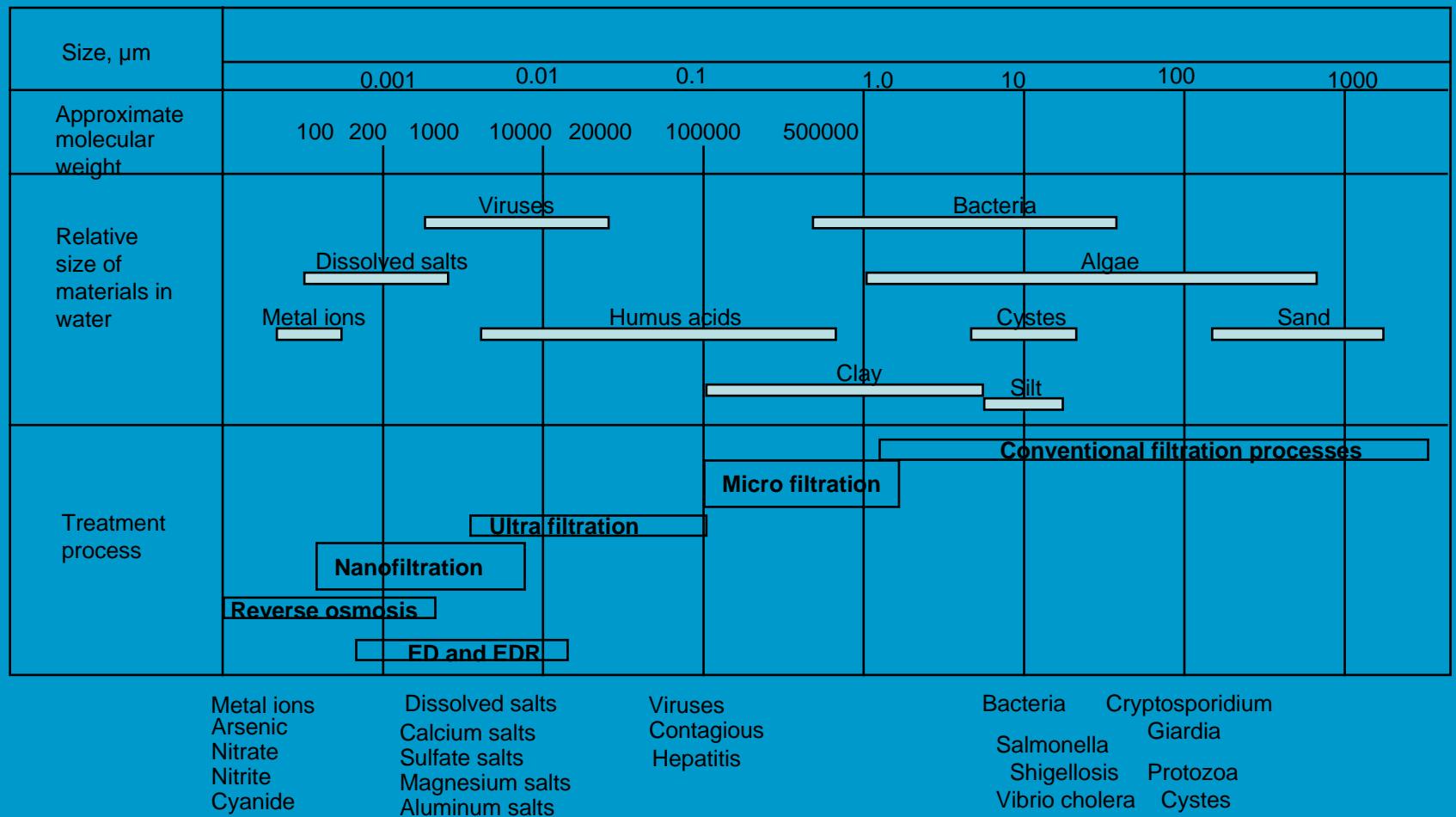
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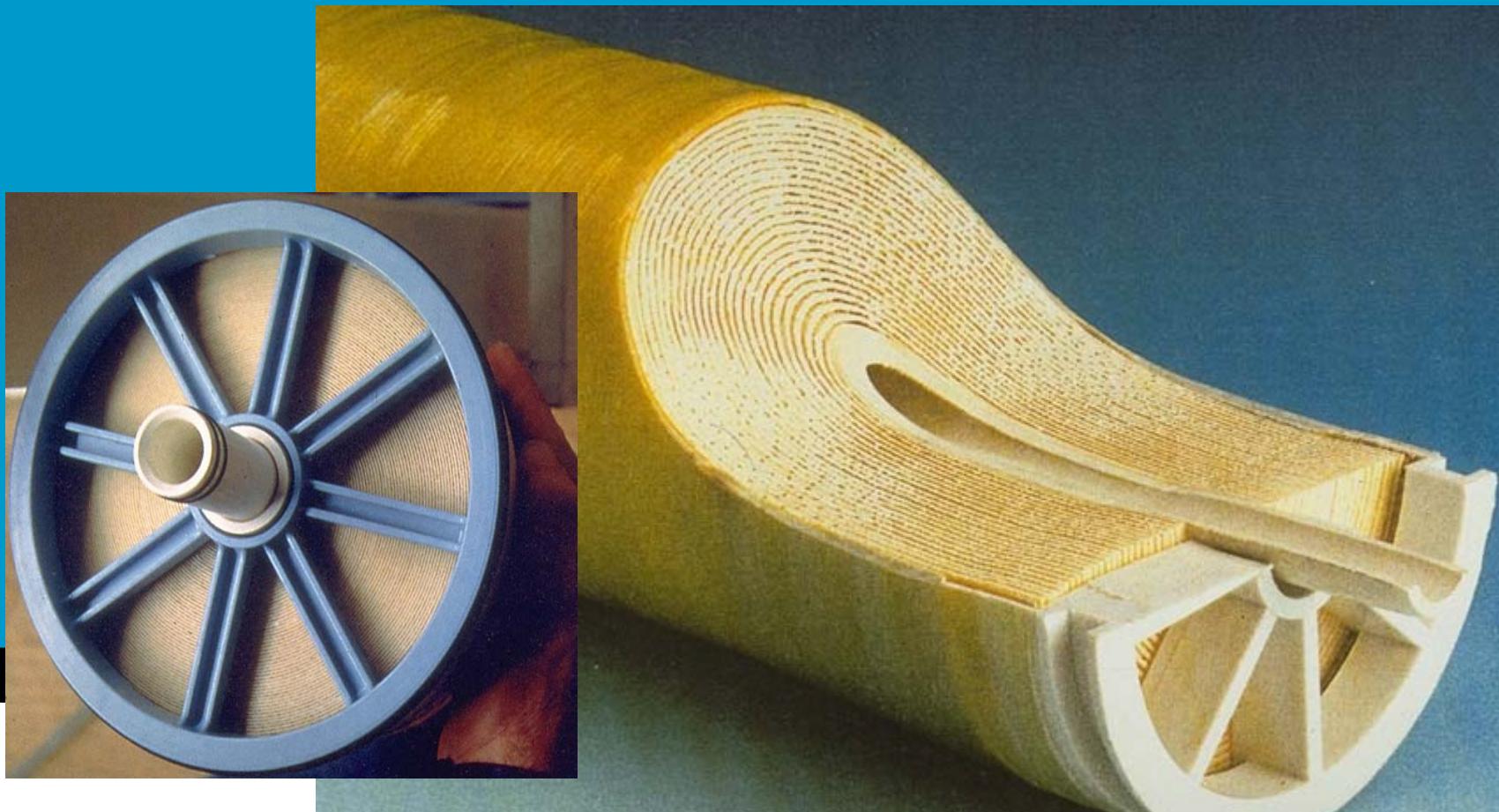
	•Bacteria	•Virusses	•Multivalent salts	•Monovalent salts
Microfiltration MF	+	-	-	-
Ultrafiltration UF	+	+	-	-
Nanofiltration NF	+	+	+	-
Reversed Osmosis RO	+	+	+	+

Introduction



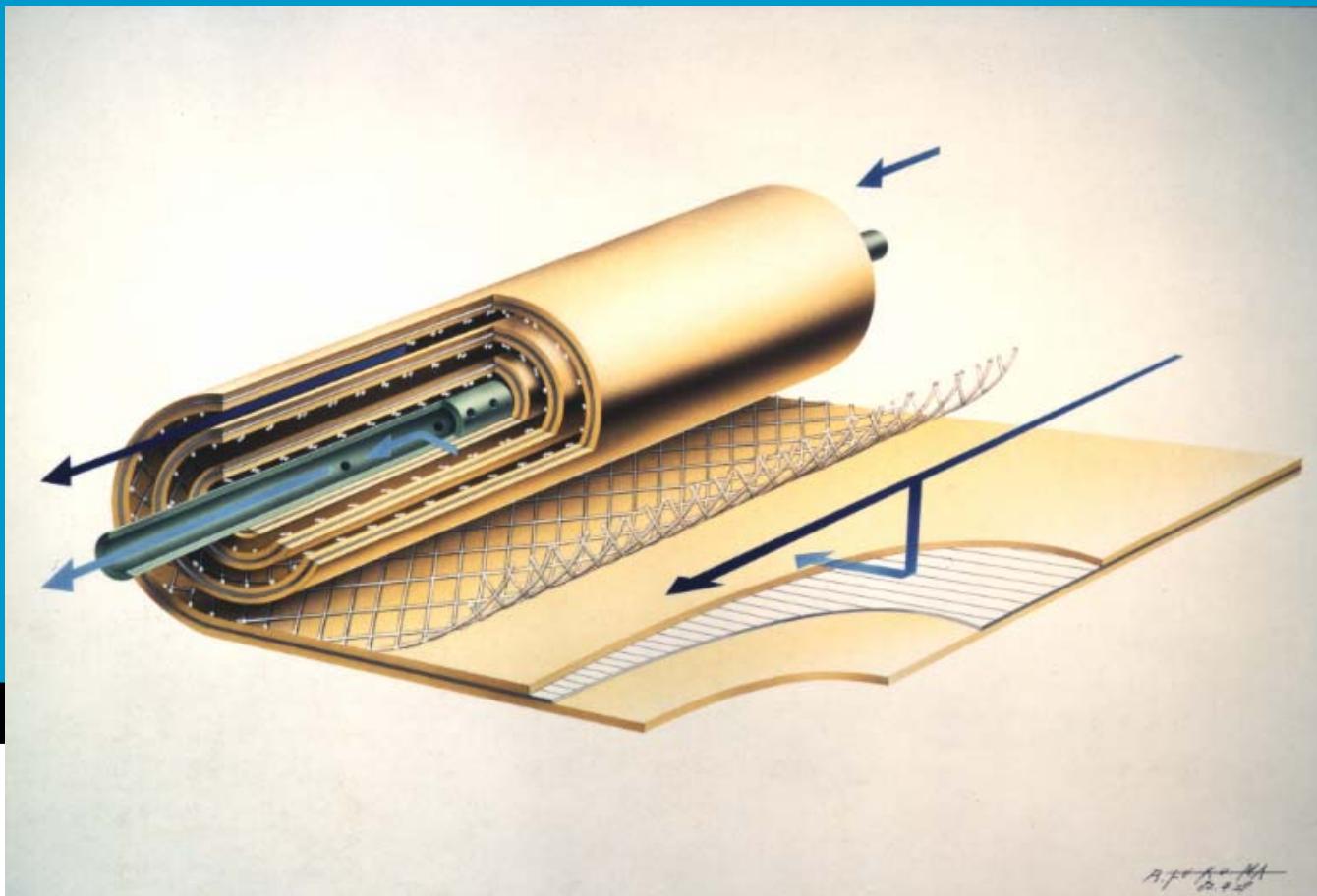
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- Spiral wound membrane



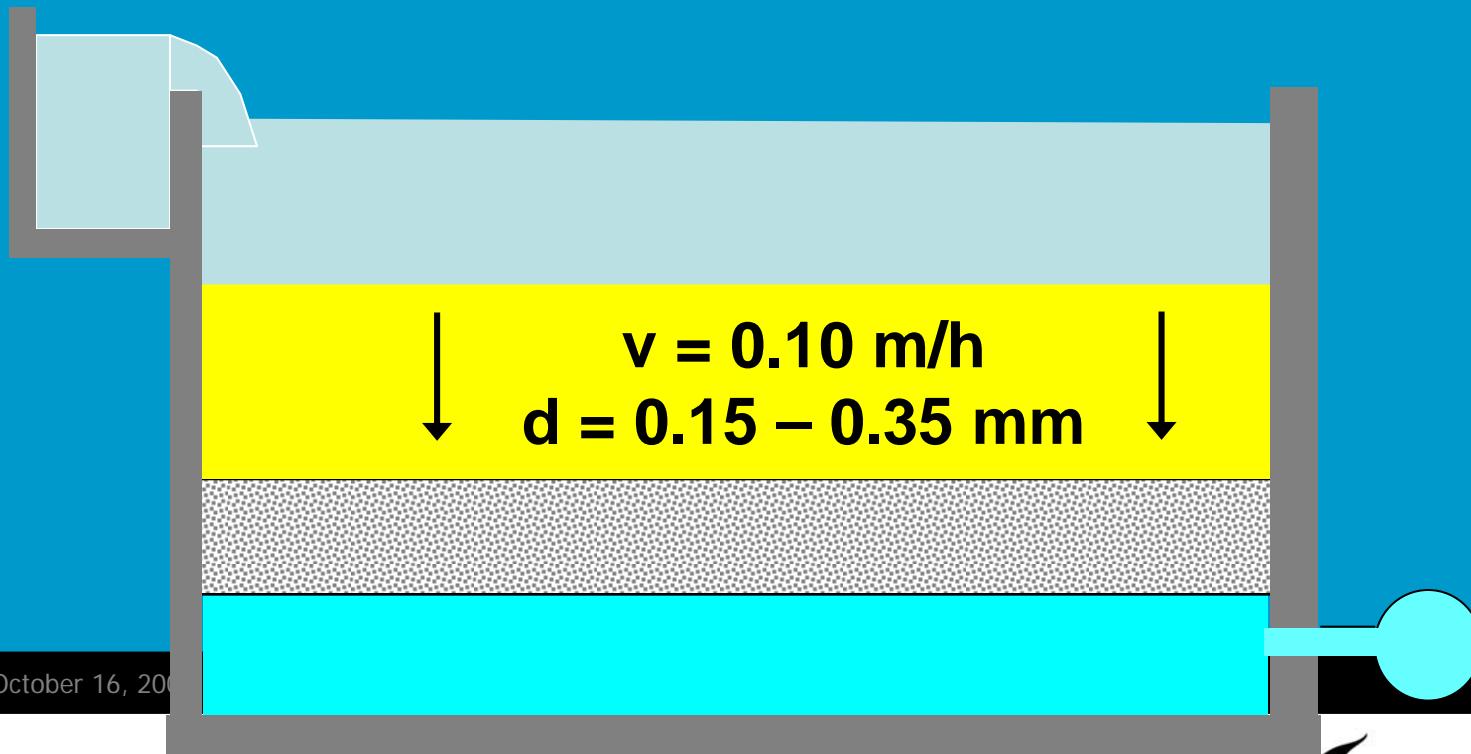
Modules

- Spiral wound membranes



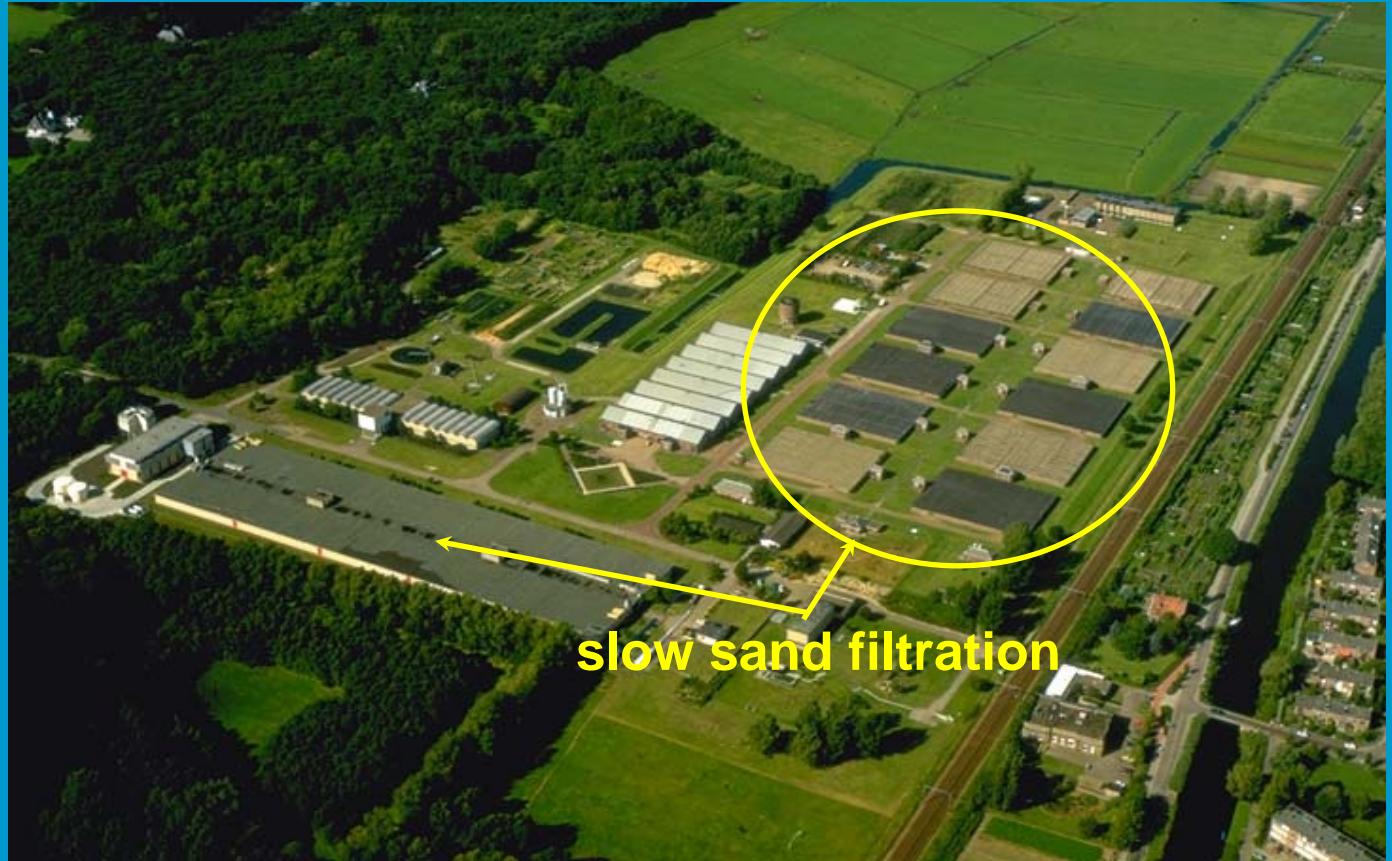
Introduction

- Principle slow sand filtration



Introduction

- Slow sand filtration

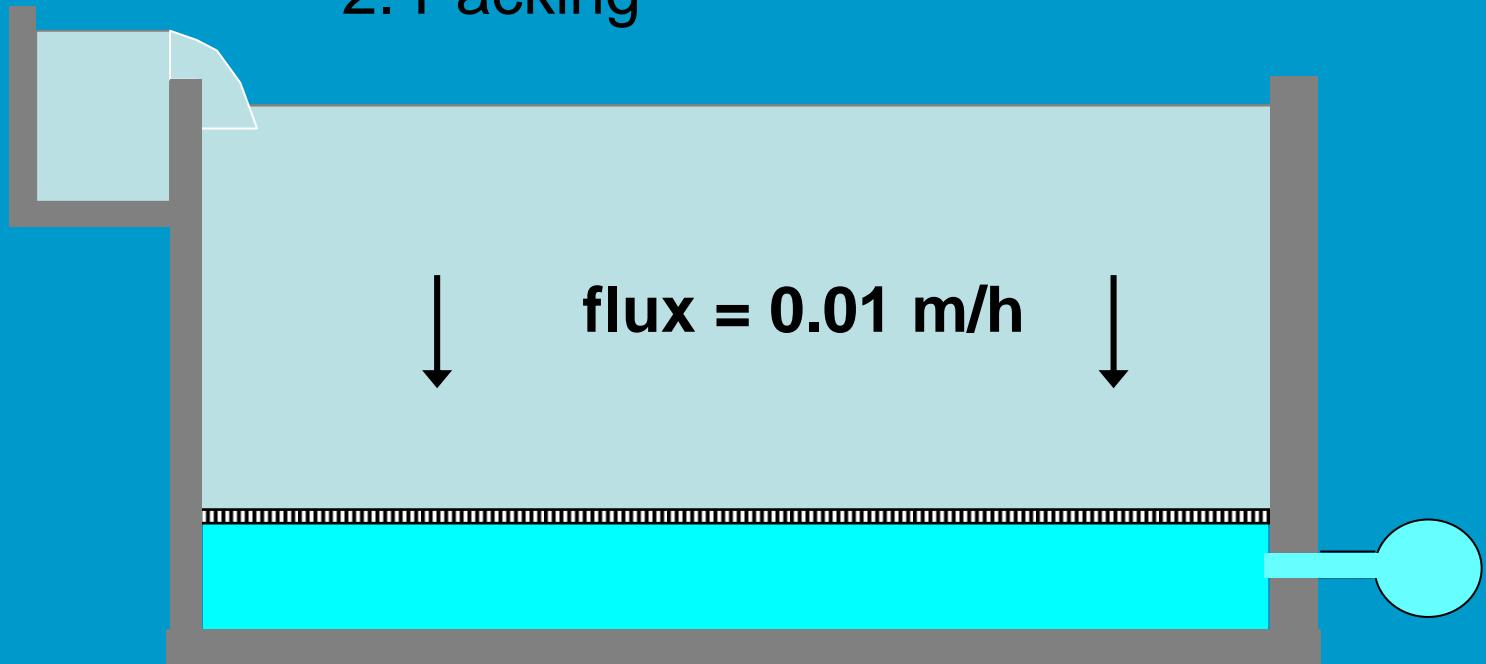


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- Parallel MF/SSF

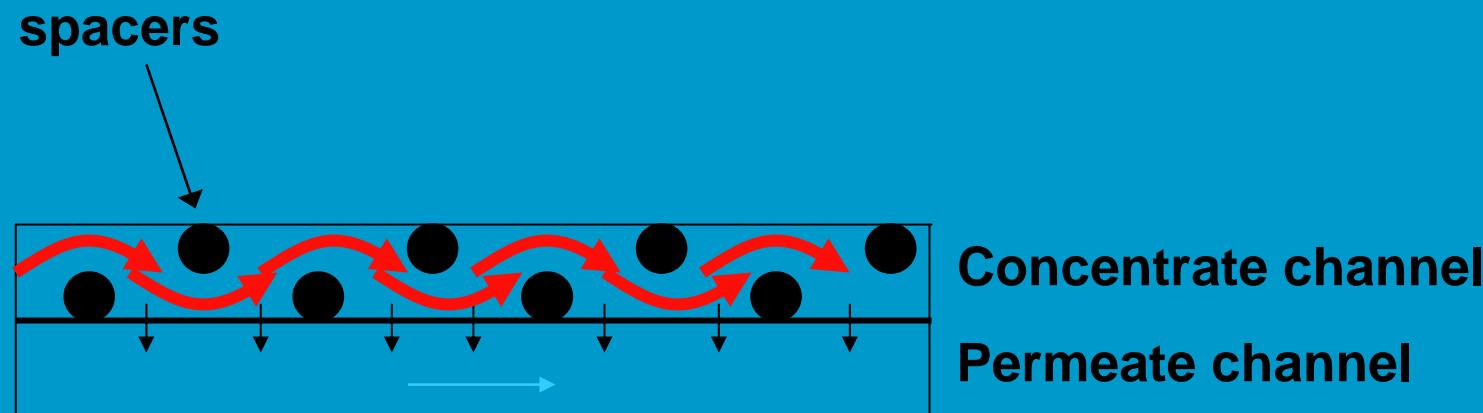
Problems:

1. Fouling
2. Packing



Introduction

- Traditional RO/NF - fouling



Introduction

- Filtration process and particle size

	Particle size pressure [nm]	[bar]	MWCO	flux [m ³ /m ² ·h]
Micro filtration	> 100	< 1		0.04 - 0.2
Ultra filtration	10 - 100	< 2	1000 - 10000	0.08 - 0.2
Nano filtration	1 - 2	5 - 10	200 - 500	0.02 - 0.08
Reverse osmosis	0.2 - 1	15 - 60	100	0.01 - 0.04

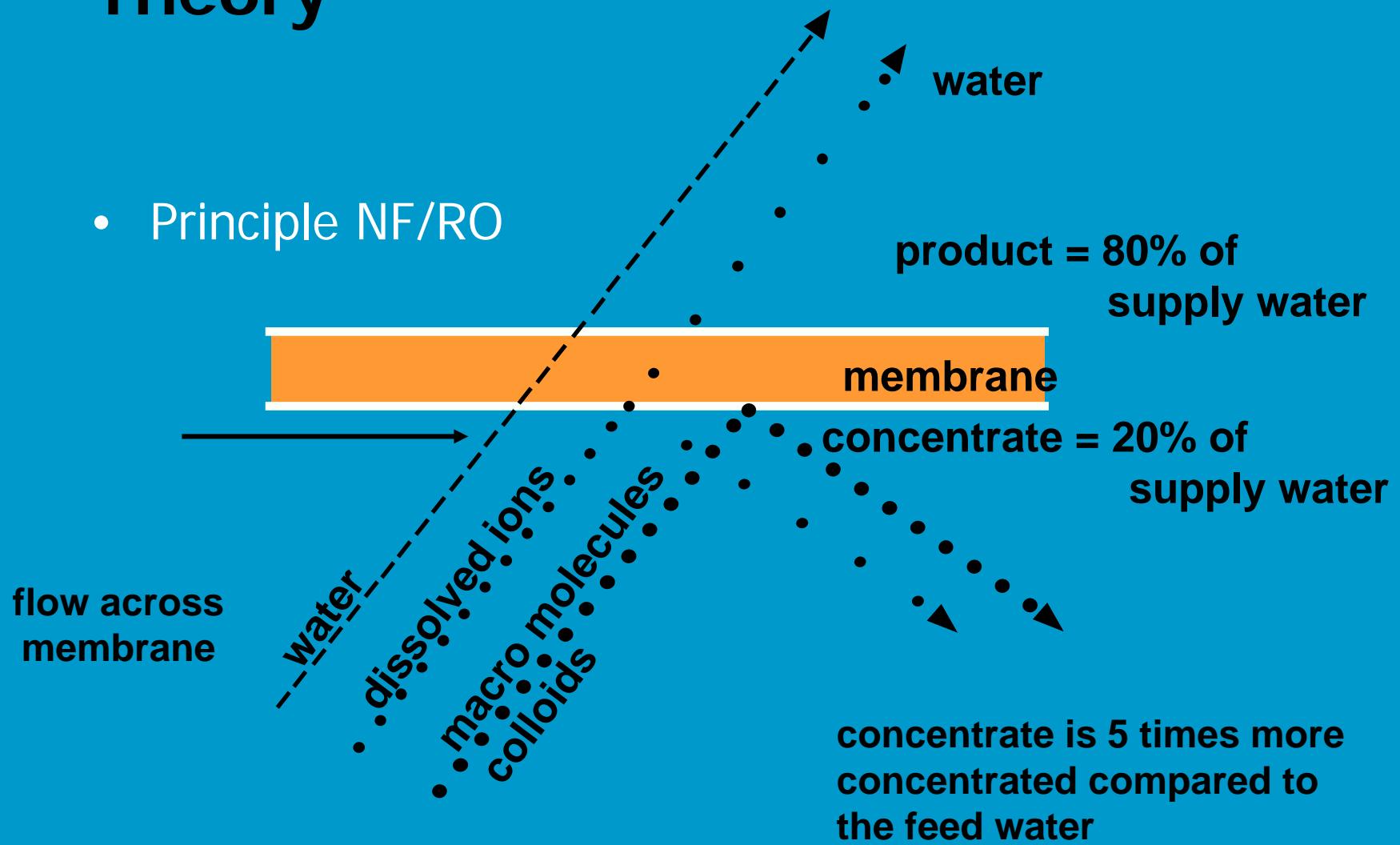
MWCO = Molecular Weight Cut Off
= 90% of organic molecules is removed

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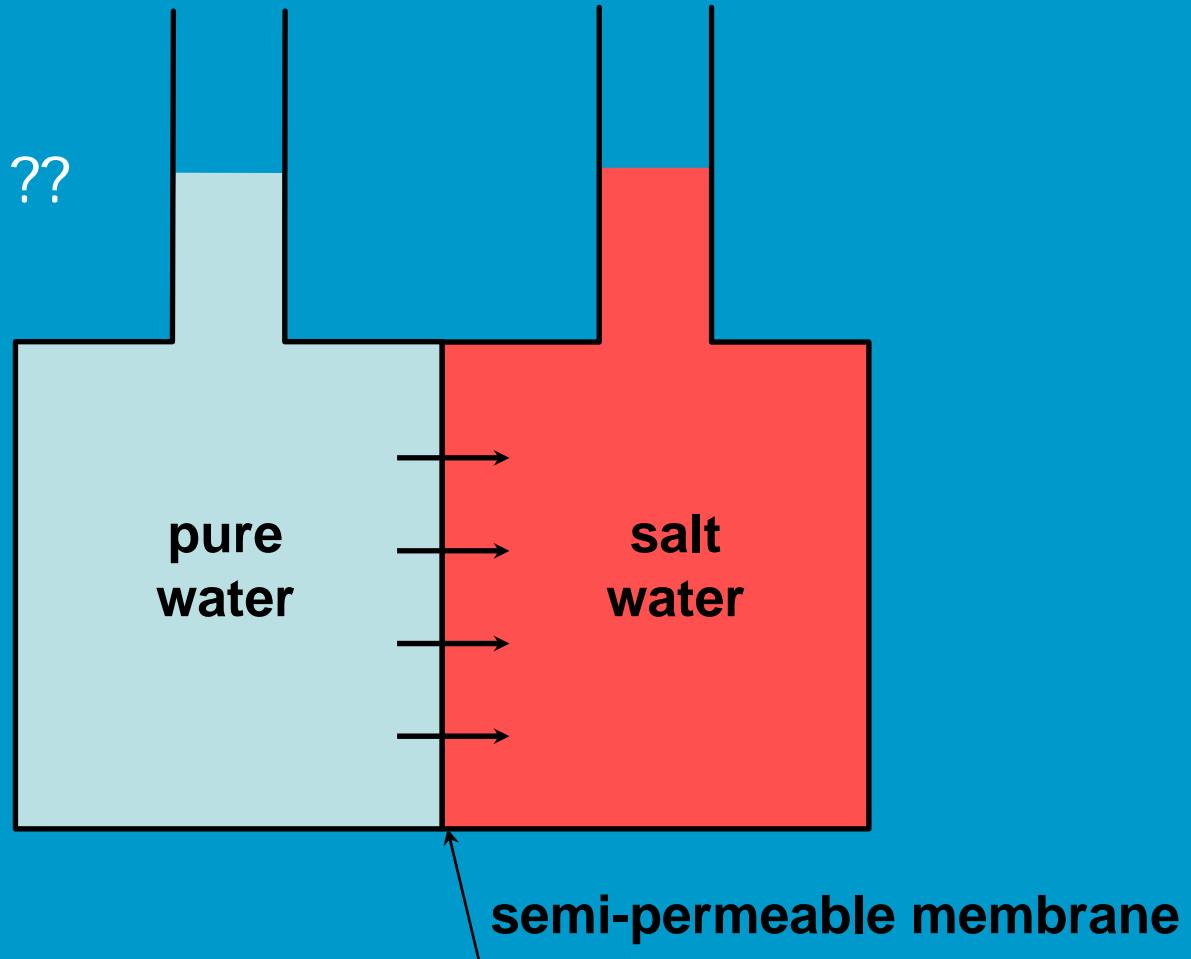
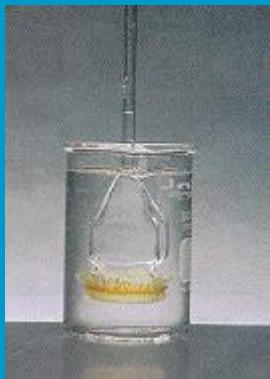
Theory

- Principle NF/RO



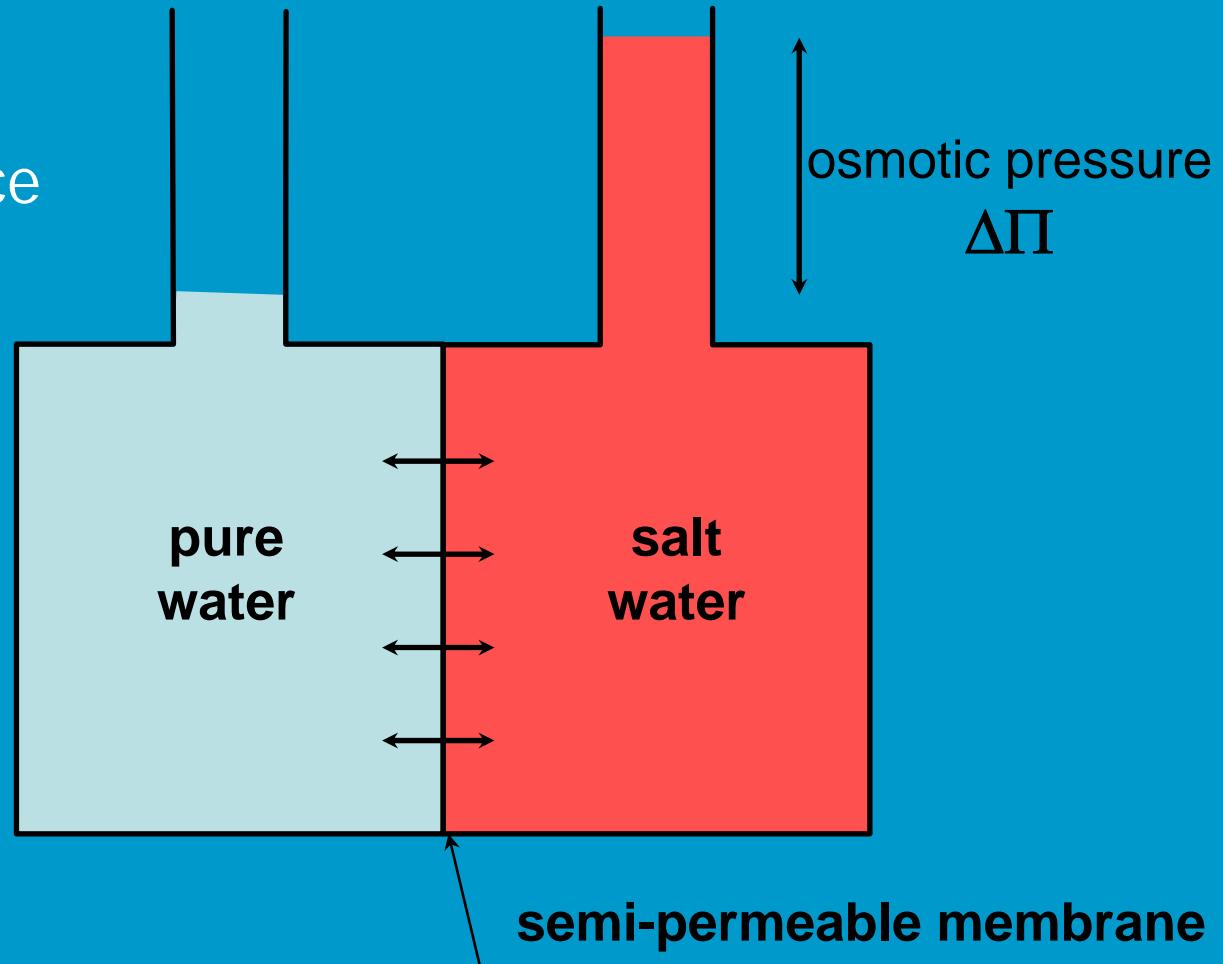
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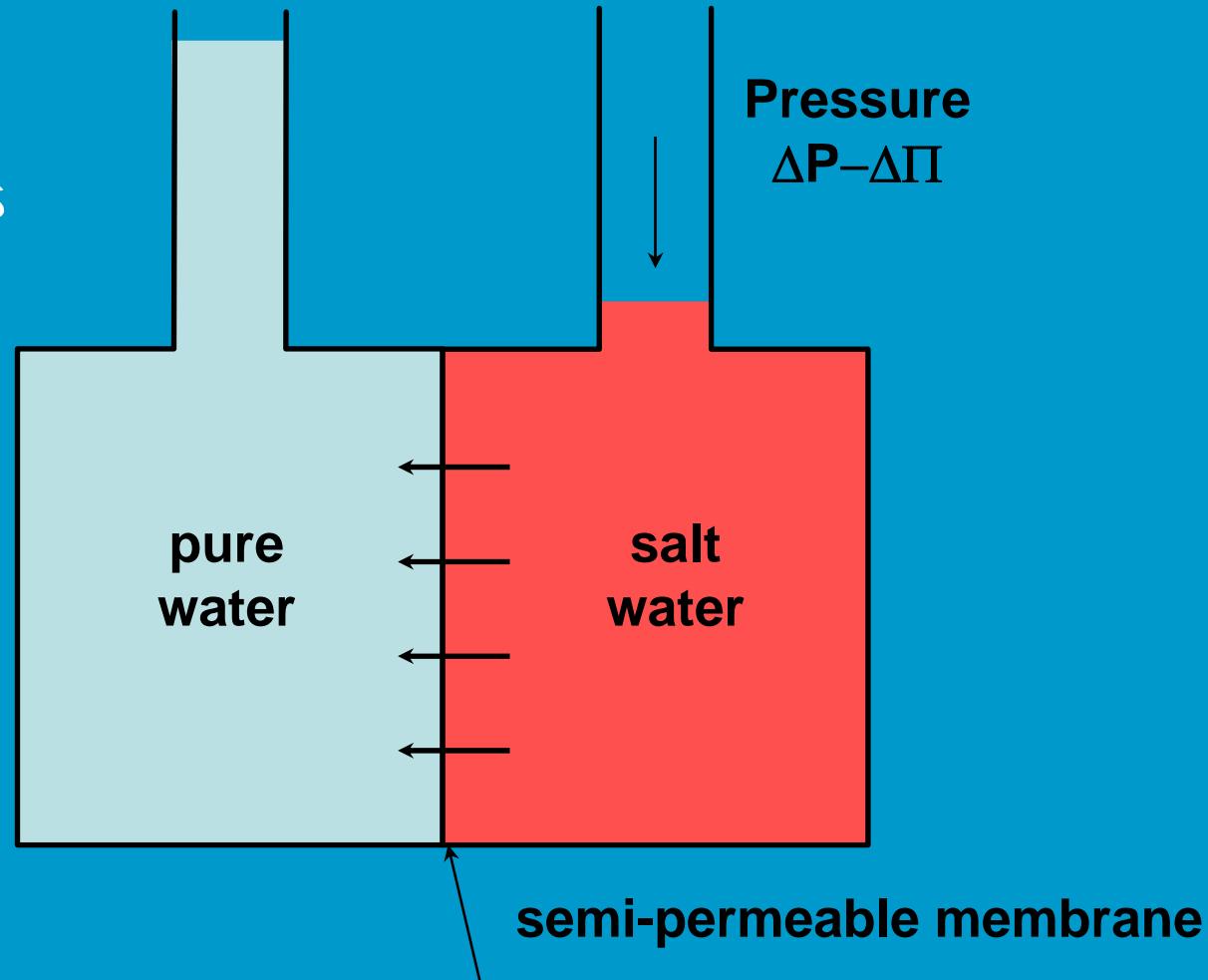
Theory

- Osmotic balance



Theory

- Reverse osmosis



Theory

$\underline{Q_f, P_f, c_f}$

$\underline{Q_c, P_c, c_c}$



Q_p, P_p, c_p

Mass balance water:

$$Q_f = Q_c + Q_p$$

Recovery

$$\gamma = \frac{Q_p}{Q_f}$$

Mass balance salt:

$$Q_f \cdot c_f = Q_c \cdot c_c + Q_p \cdot c_p$$

$$c_c = c_f \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \gamma}, \quad c_p \approx 0$$

Retention

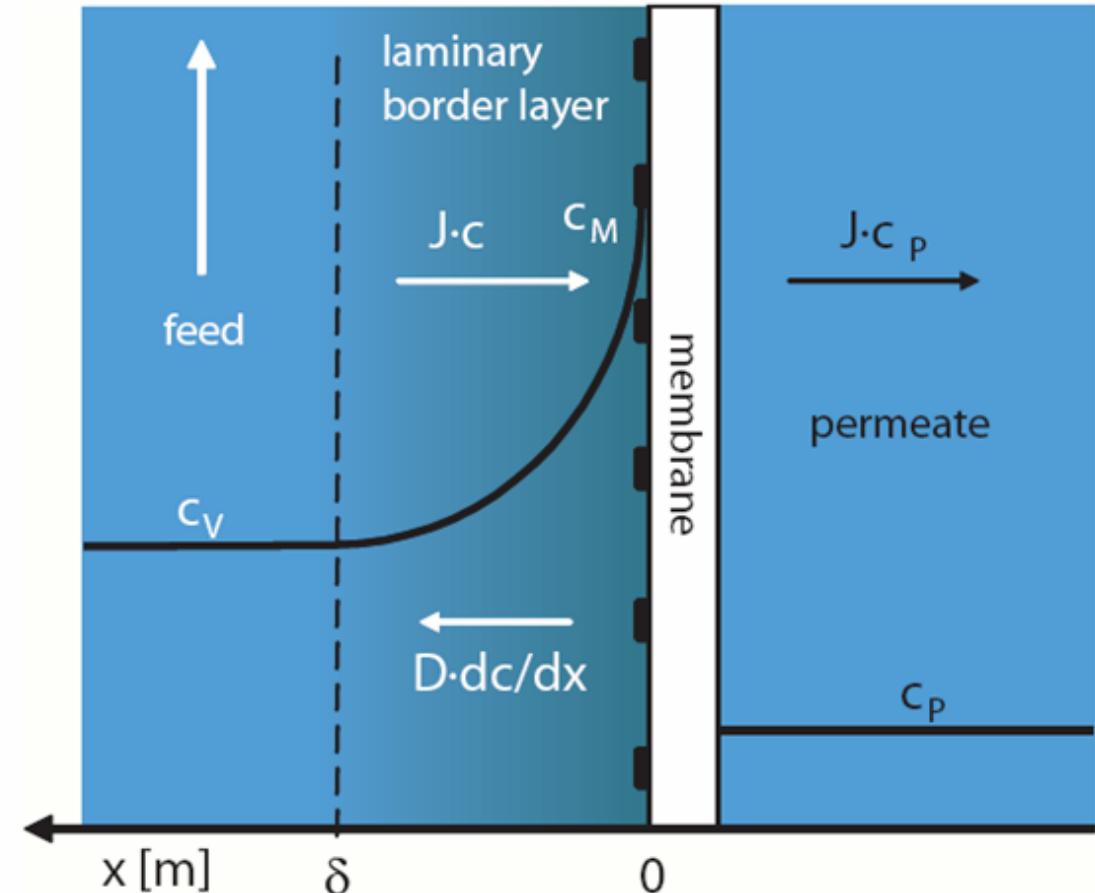
$$\text{Ret} = 1 - \frac{c_p}{c_f}$$

Theory

parameter	Reverse osmosis			nanofiltration
	Sea water	Brackish water	Ground water	
T [°C]	25	25	25	25
c _f [g/m ³]	35000	2000	100	100
γ [-]	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.8
ΔP [bar]	55	25	10	10
R _o [-]	0.995	0.95	0.85	0.85
η [-]	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
η _{rec} [-]	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
π _f [bar]	30	1.7	0.1	0.1
Δπ [bar]	36	5.1	0.5	0.5
ΔP-Δπ [bar]	19	20	9.5	9.5
R [-]	0.994	0.85	0.55	0.55
c _p [g/m ³]	210	300	45	45
E [kWh/m ³]	7.2	1.2	0.5	0.5
E _{rec} [kWh/m ³]	2.5	0.1	0.05	0.05

Theory

- Concentration
- polarisation

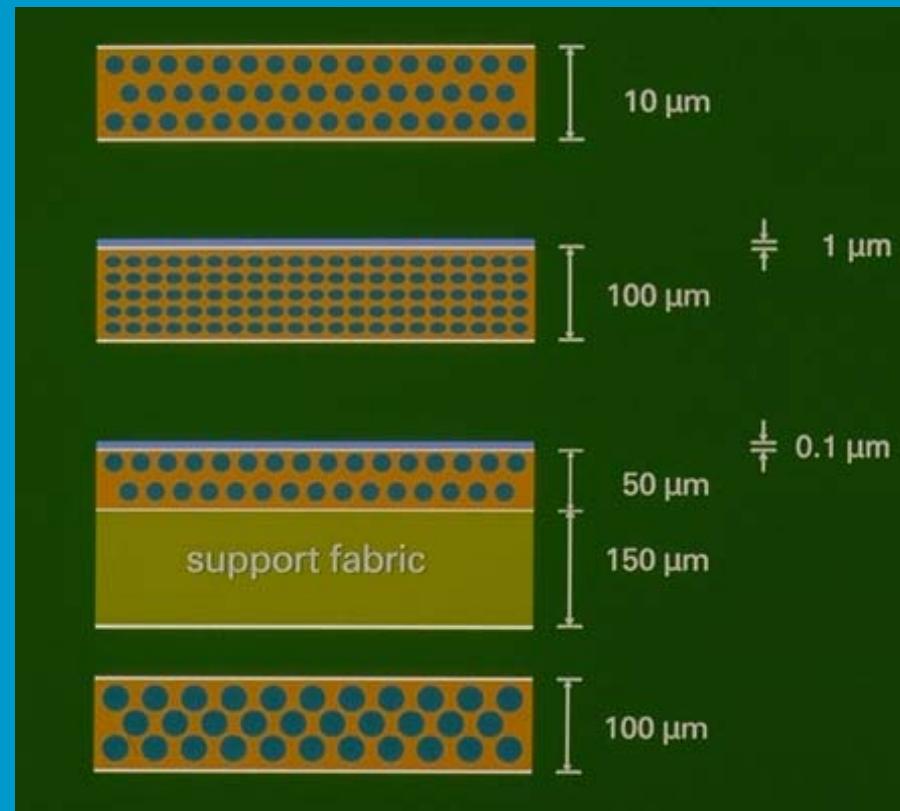


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Membranes structure

Homogenous



Composite

Liquid

Membrane modules

Tubular membranes	20 - 200 m ² /m ³
Plate and frame membranes	400 - 600 m ² /m ³
Spiral wound membranes	900 - 1000 m ² /m ³
Hollow fiber membranes	until 12000 m ² /m ³

Modules

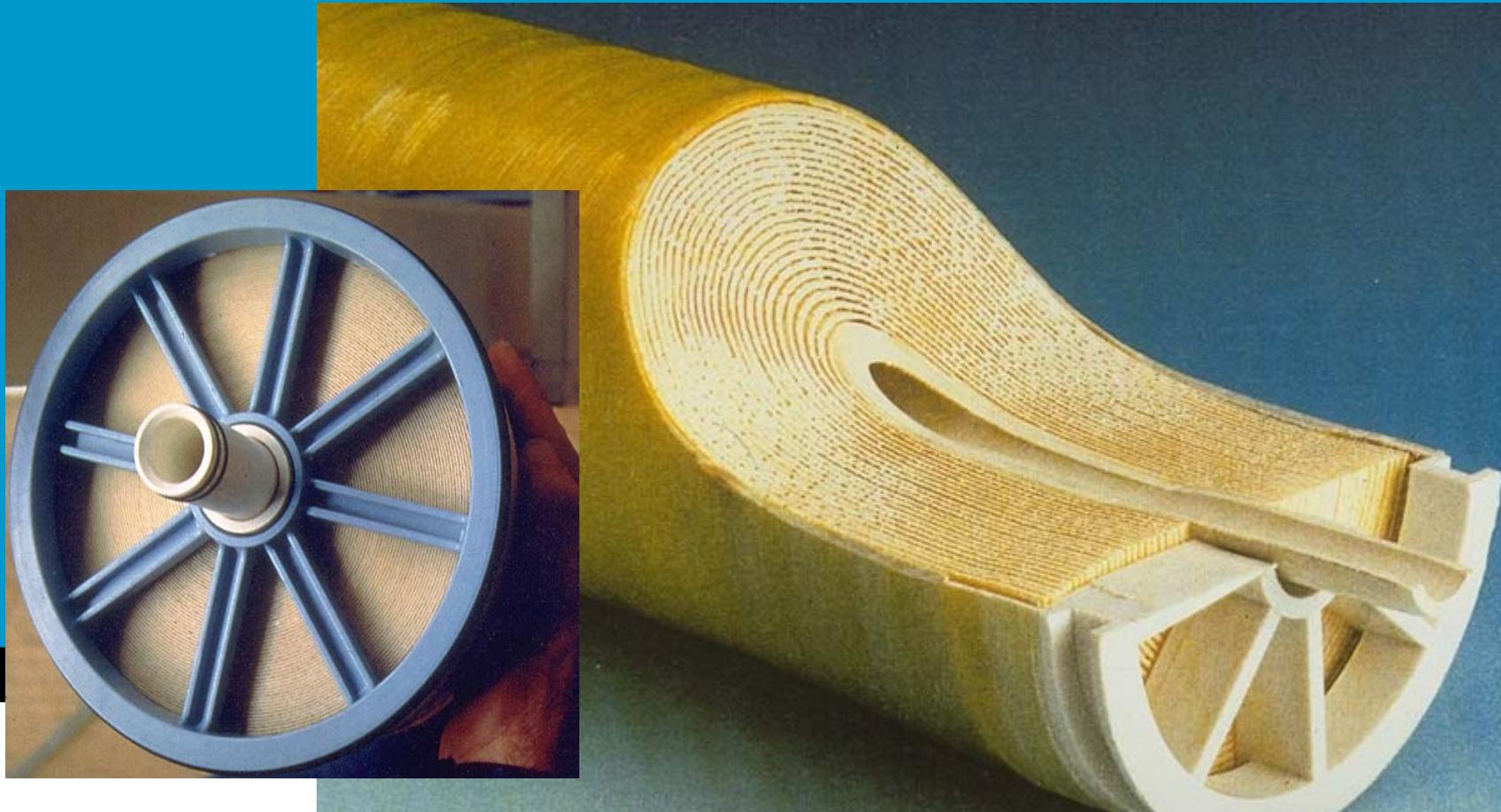
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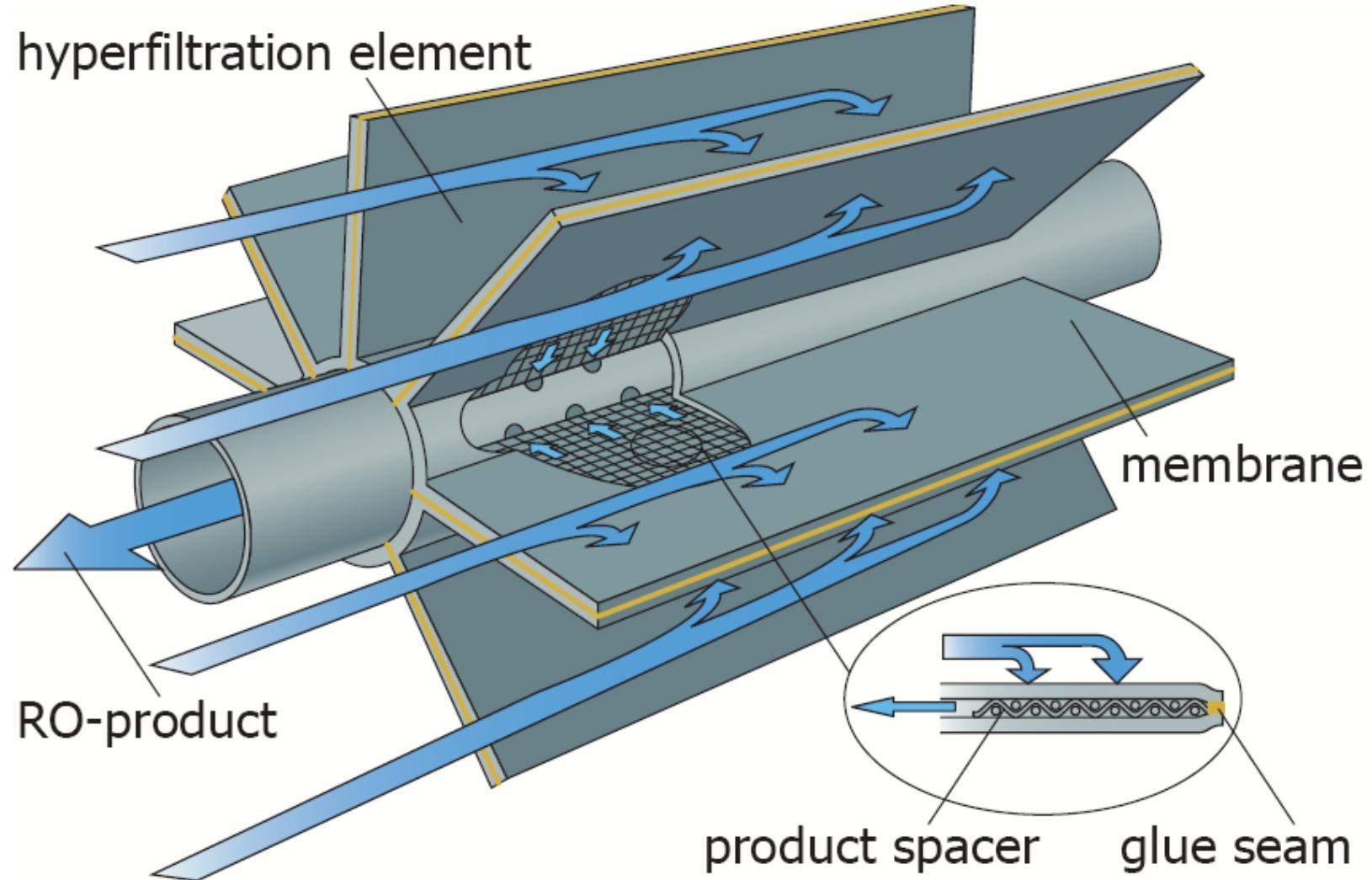
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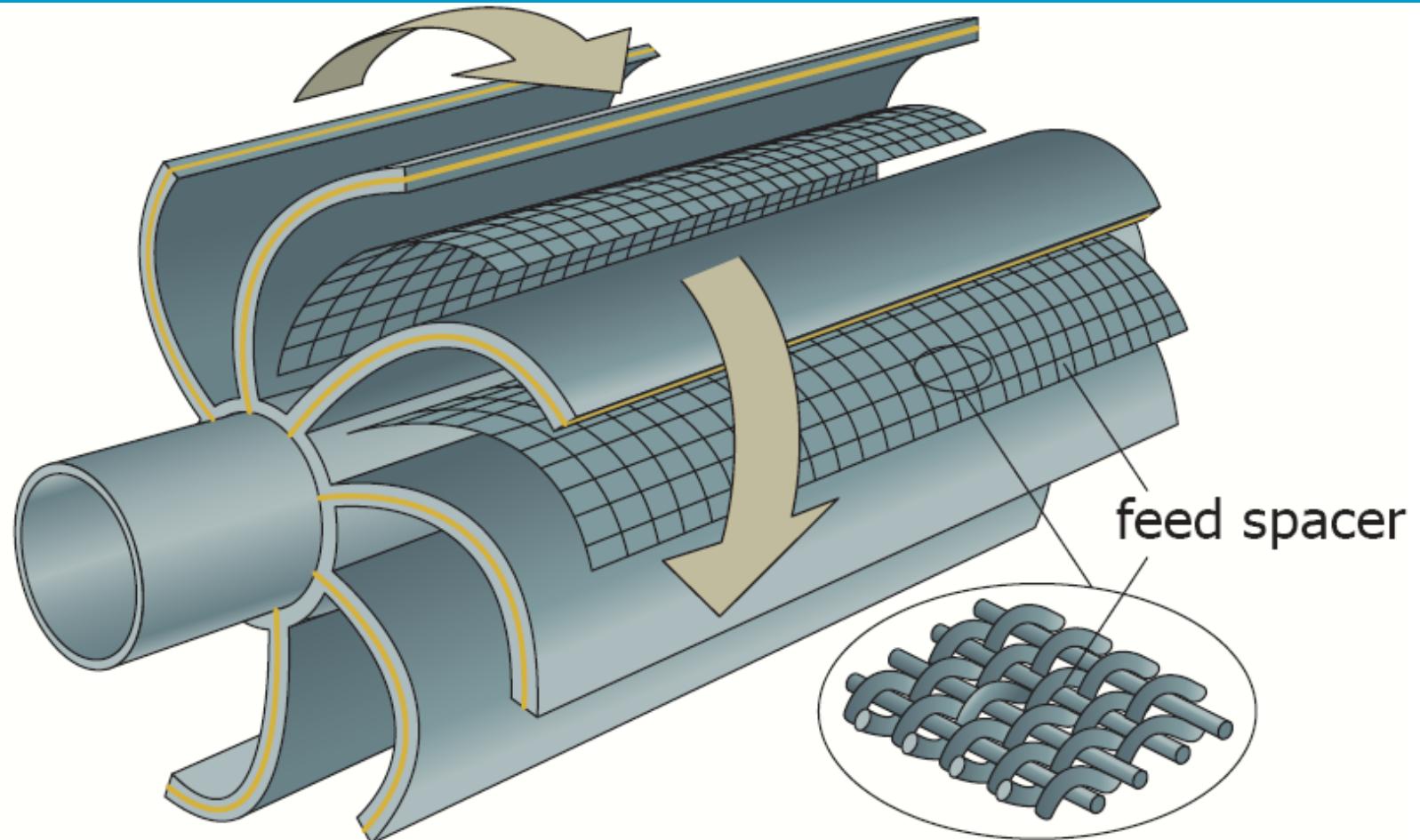
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Applications RO

1. Desalination of sea or brackish water

- high costs: (1.0 euro /m³ till 3.5 euro /m³ sea water)
- examples: Heineken
 Greenhouse agriculture

2. Split flow membrane filtration

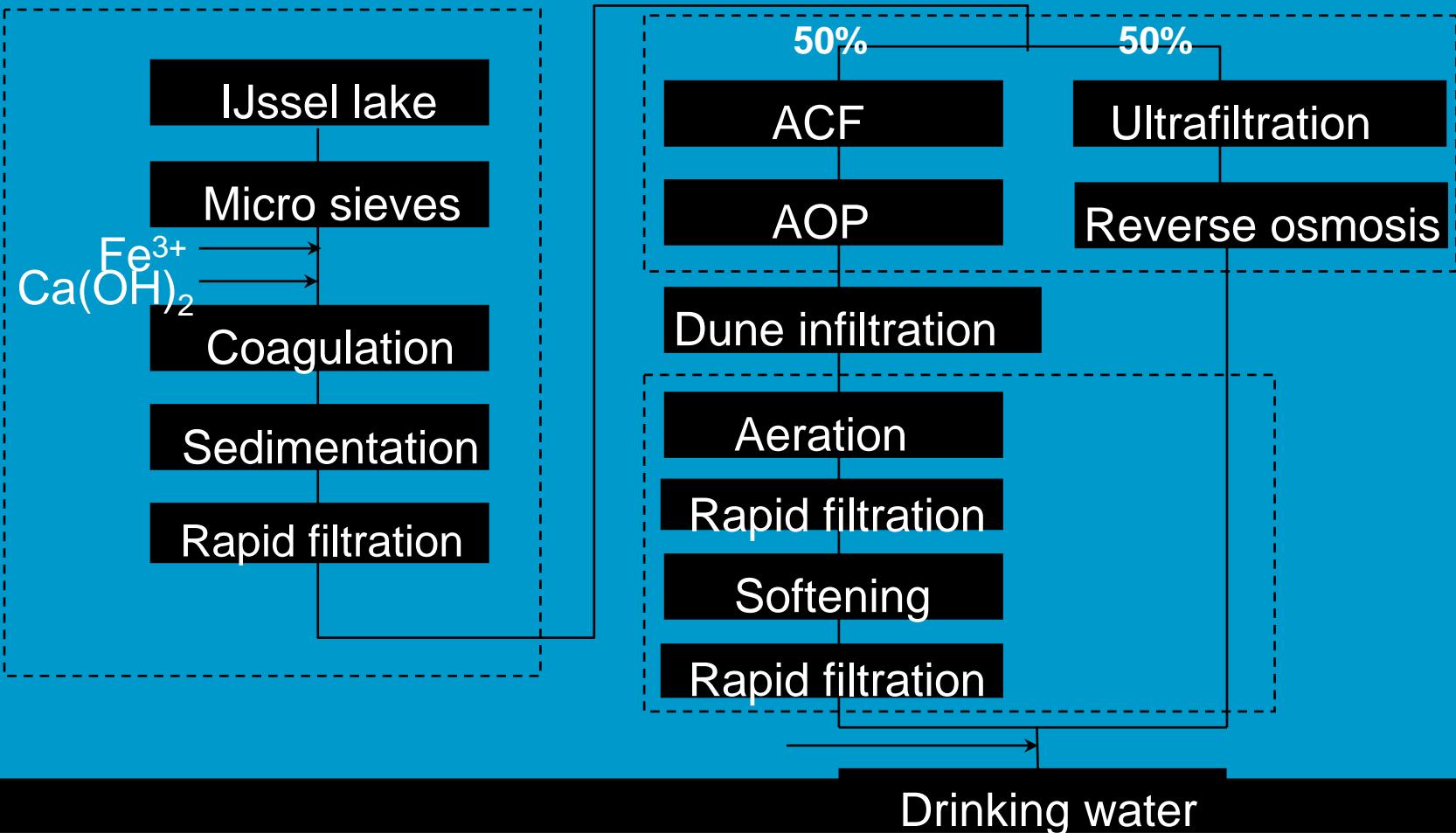
- costs: 50 euro cents/m³ product
- example: Na⁺/Cl⁻ Andijk (PWN)

3. Direct treatment of surface water

- removal of micro organisms, organic compounds,
hardness and salts
- examples:

Application RO

- Treatment Heemskerk (PWN)



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Application RO



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Performance NF/RO

Removal percentage [%]	NF	RO
Pesticides	> 90%	> 95%
DOC	> 90%	> 95%
Hardness (Ca^{2+} , Mg^{2+})	> 90%	> 99%
Salts (Na^+ , Cl^- , NO_3^-)	50 - 70%	> 90 %
Disinfection		
- bacteria, viruses	> 99.99%	> 99.99%
- Giardia, Cryptosporidium	> 99.99%	> 99.99%

Application NF

1. Split flow membrane filtration for softening and removal of organic compounds

- alternative for softening and activated carbon filtration
- examples:
 - colored ground water
 - bank filtration water
 - pretreatment for infiltration (IB)
- costs: 35 euro cents/m³ product

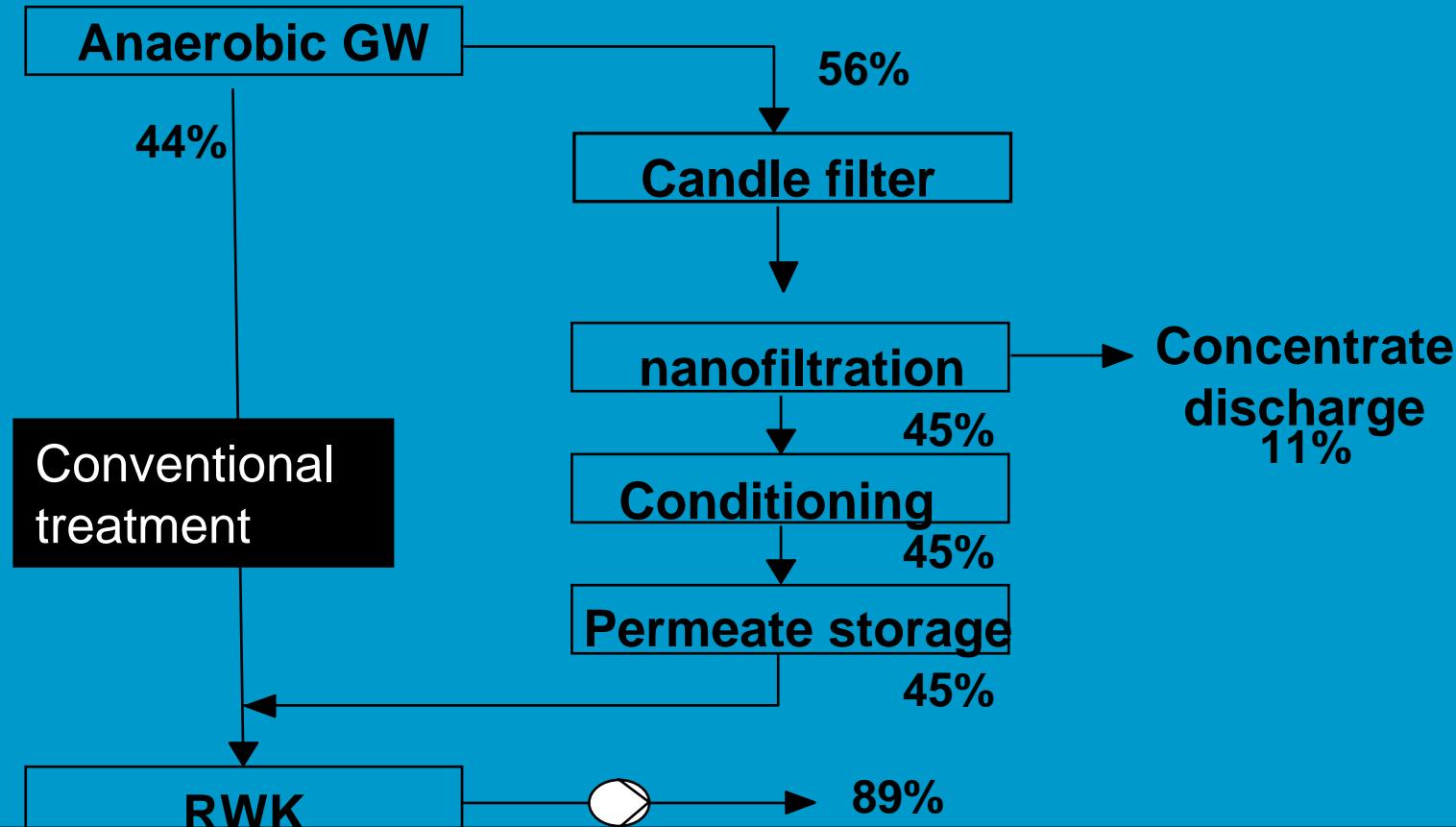
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Application NF

- Treatment anaerobic groundwater

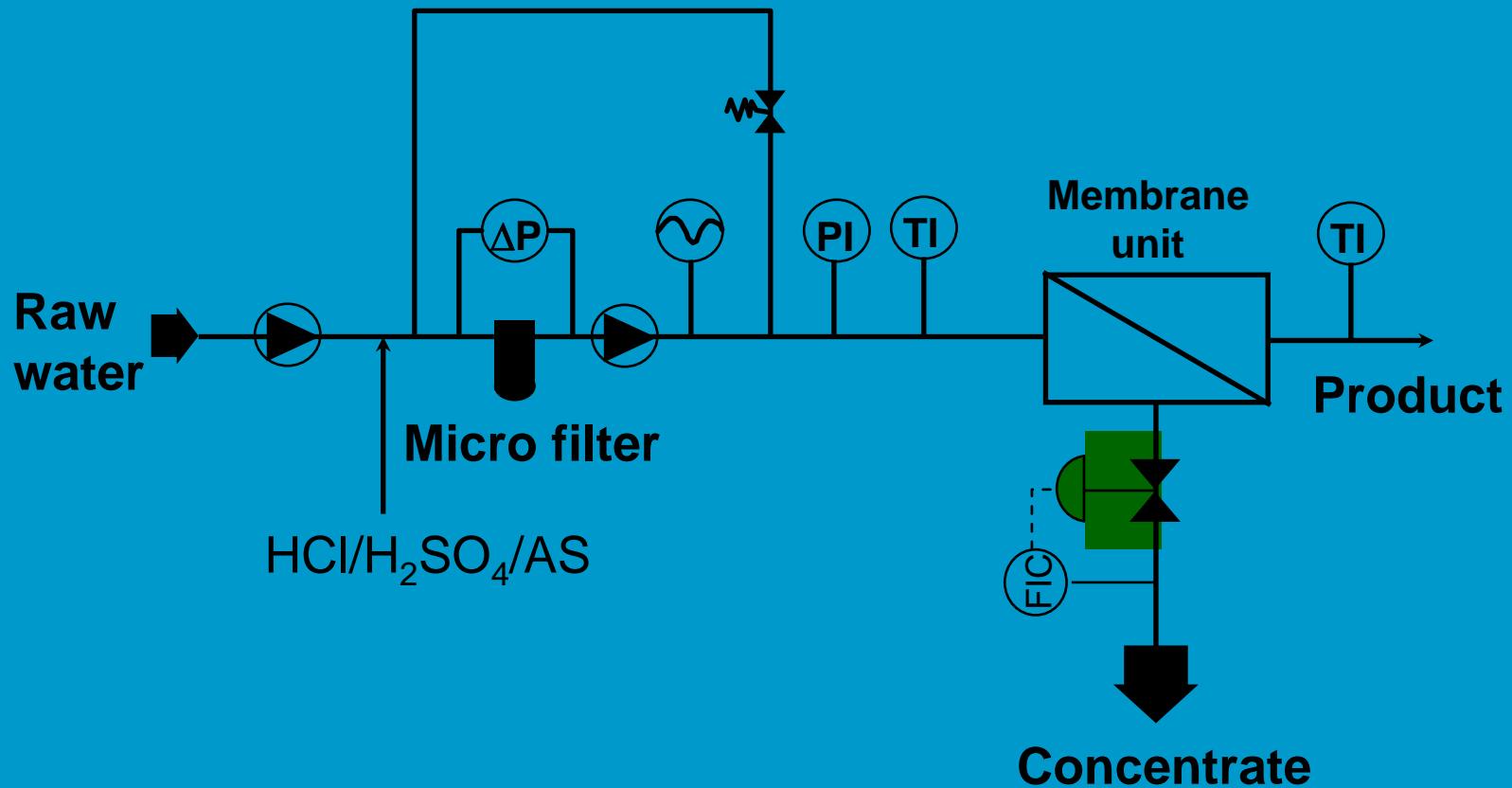
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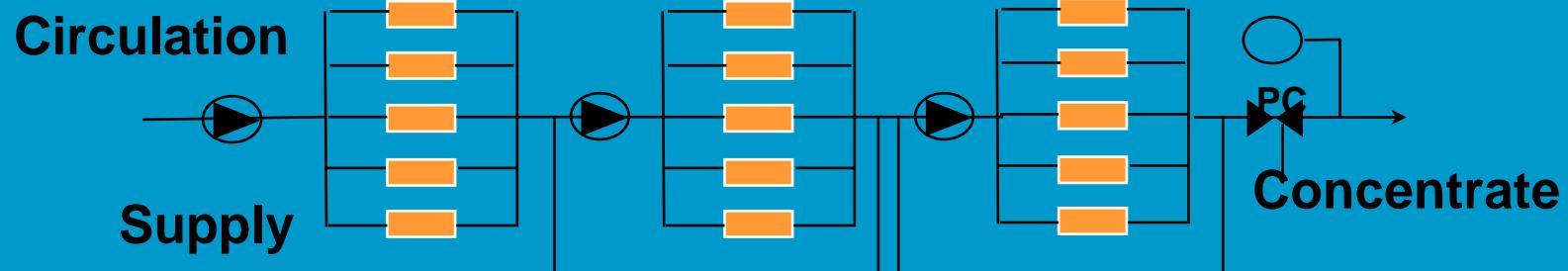
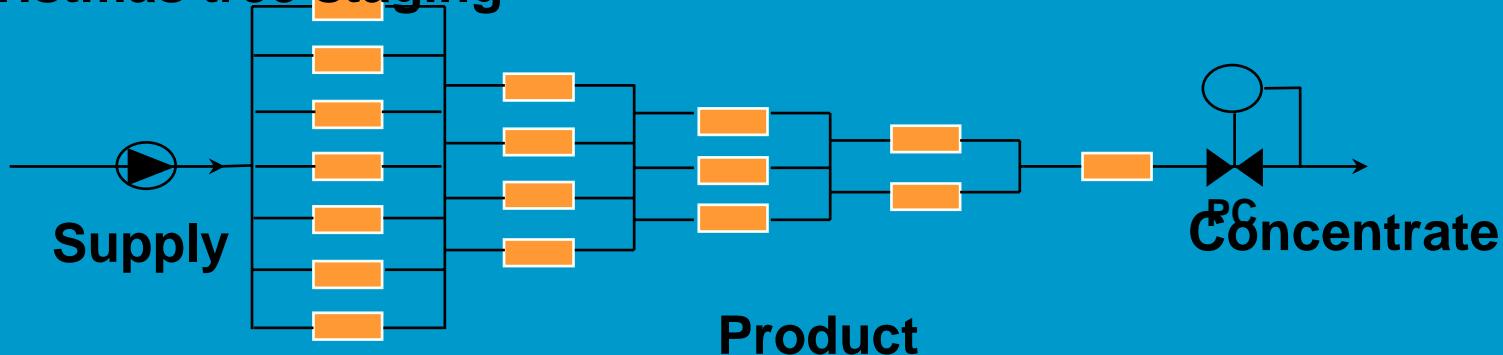
Design



Design

- Membrane staging

Christmas tree staging

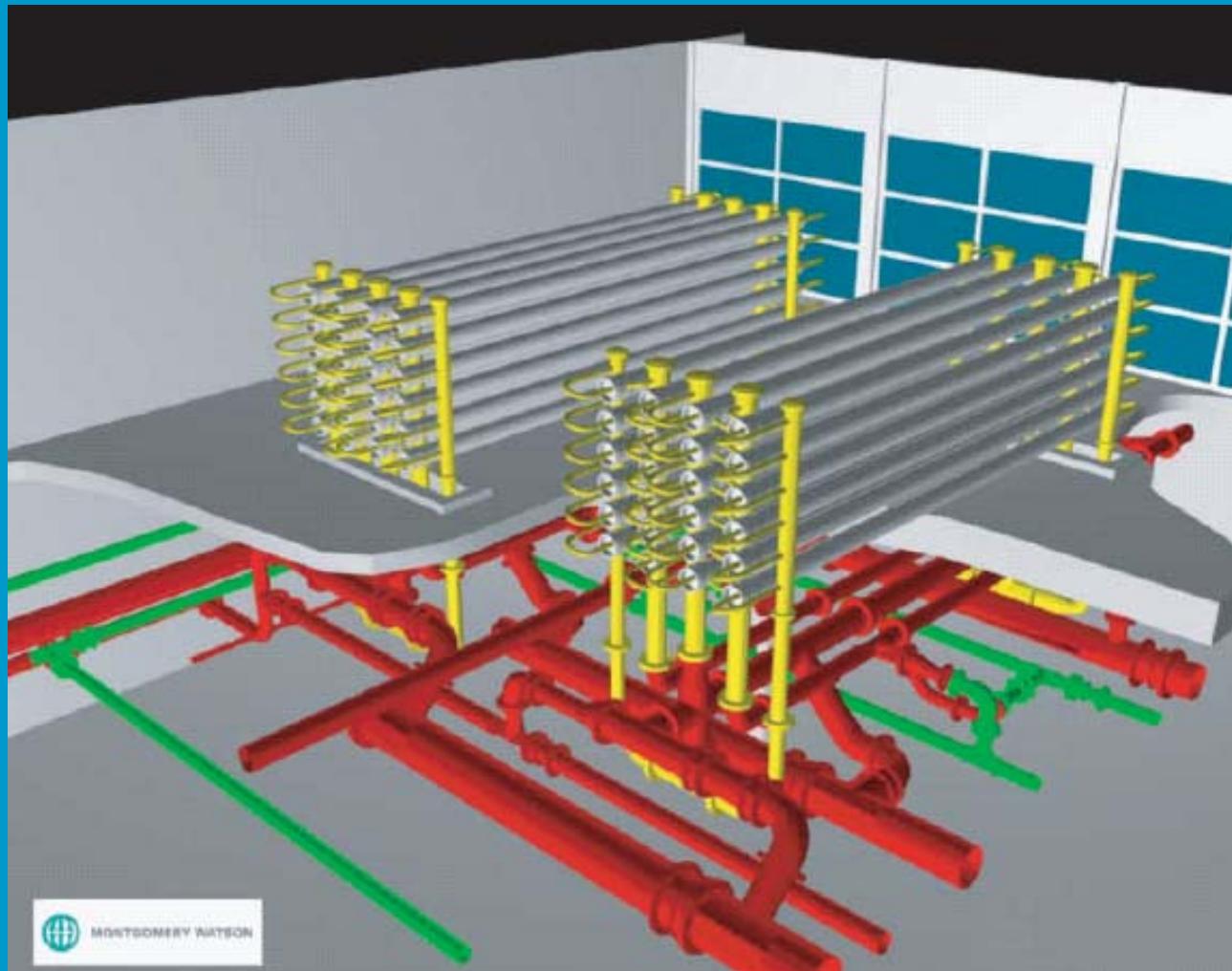


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- Staging 22-11-5



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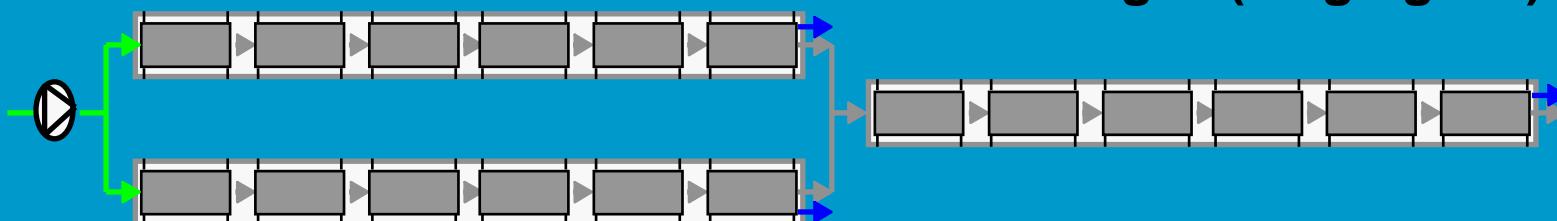
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- Standard design

standard design:

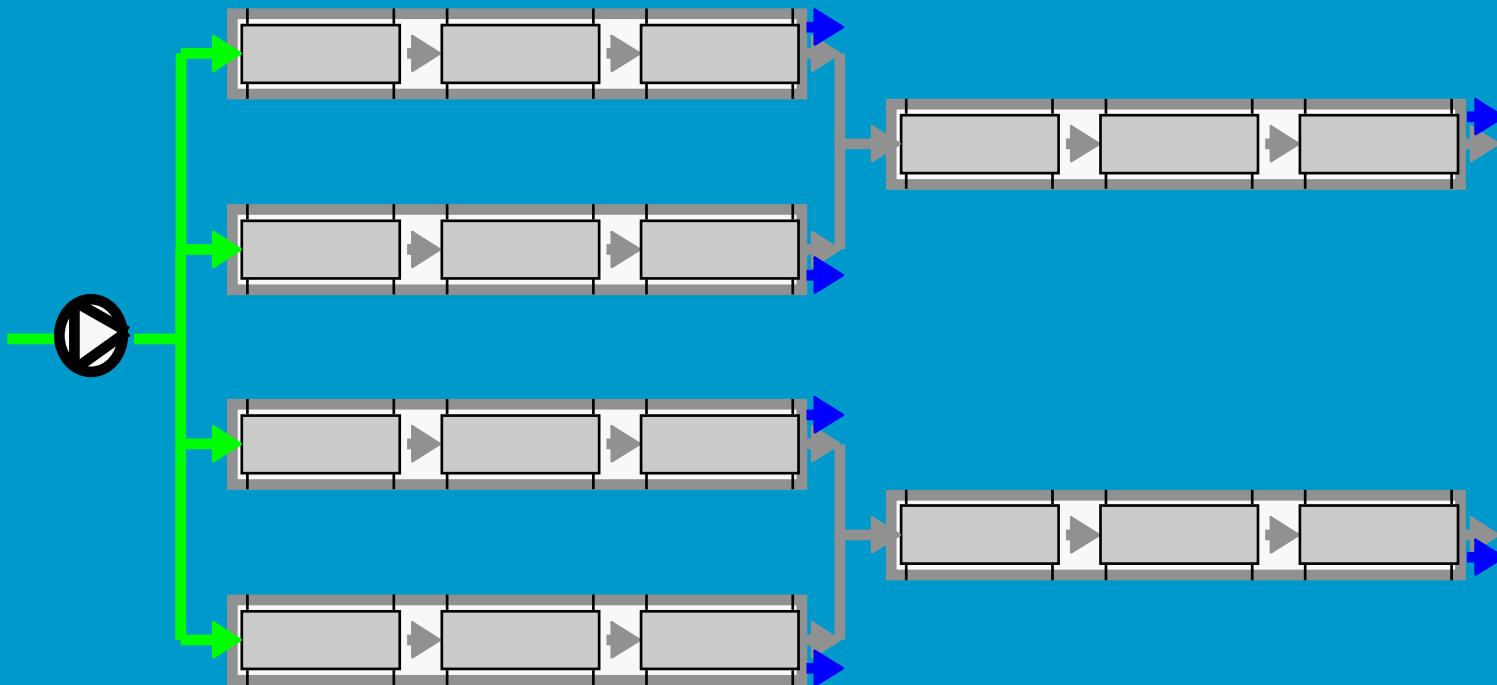
6 elements/vessel

2 stages (staging 2:1)



Design

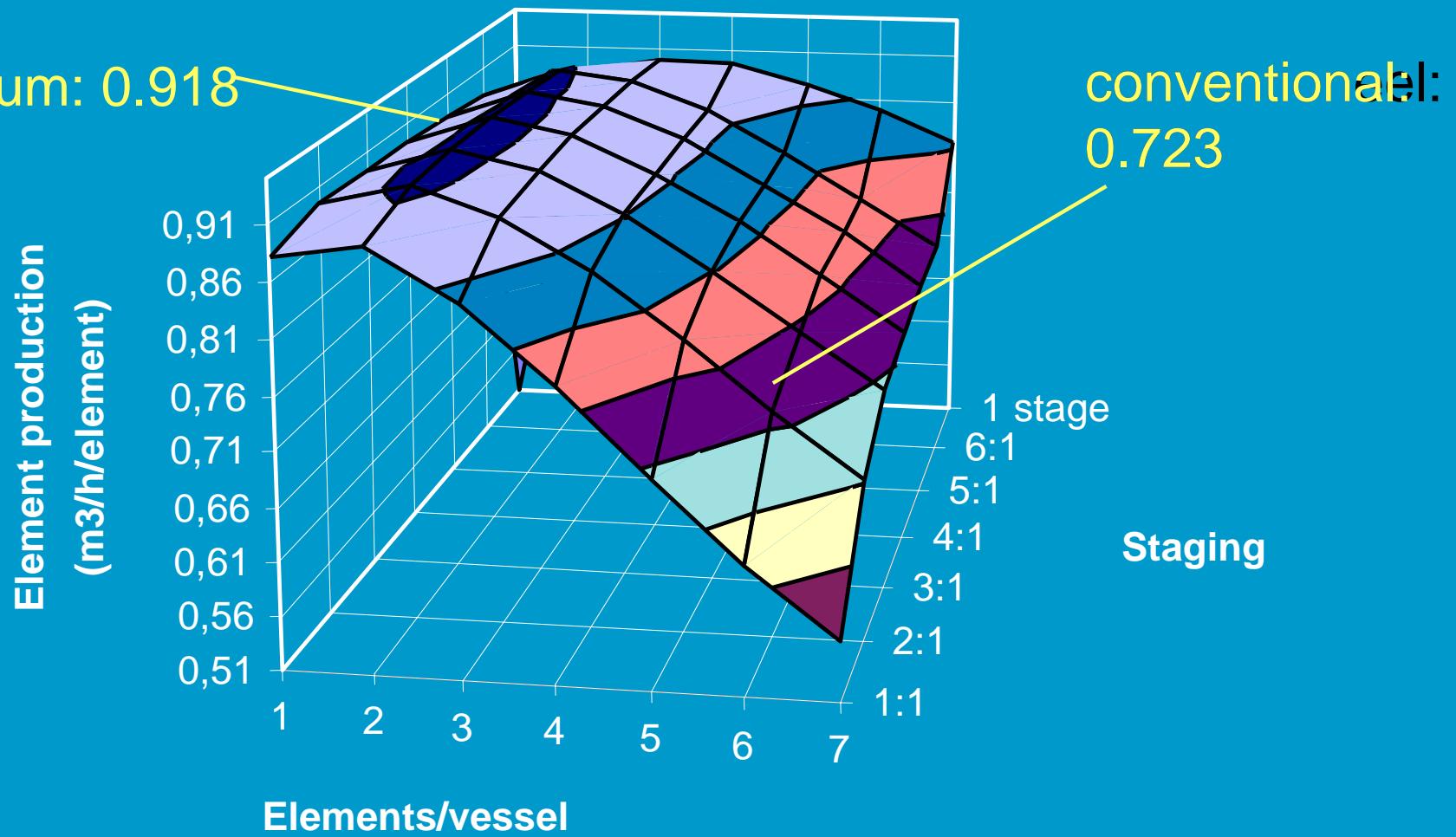
- Recent research



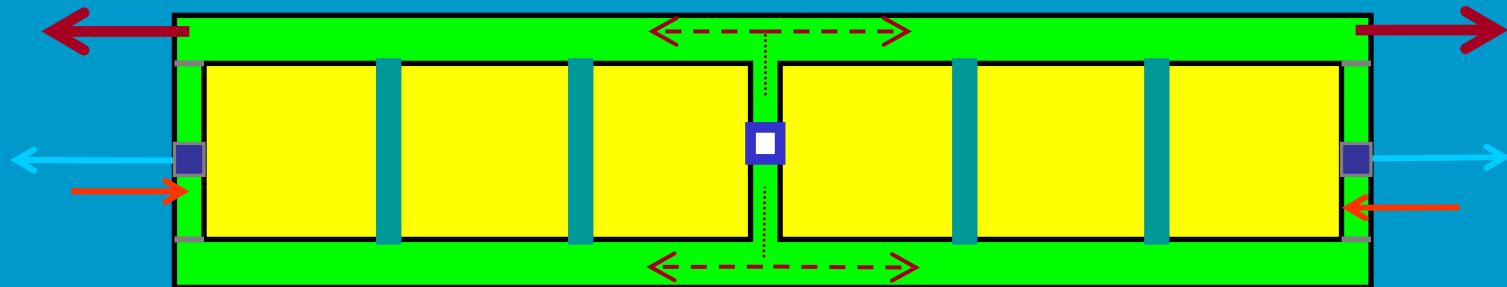
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- Production per element

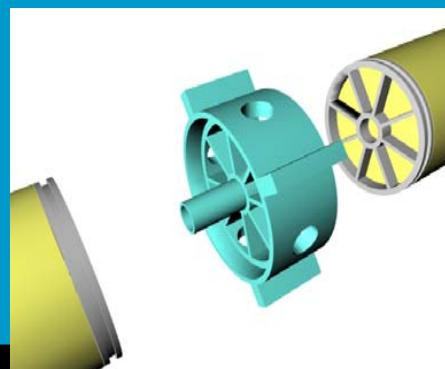
maximum: 0.918



Design Optiflux®



Addapted pressure vessel with special connector



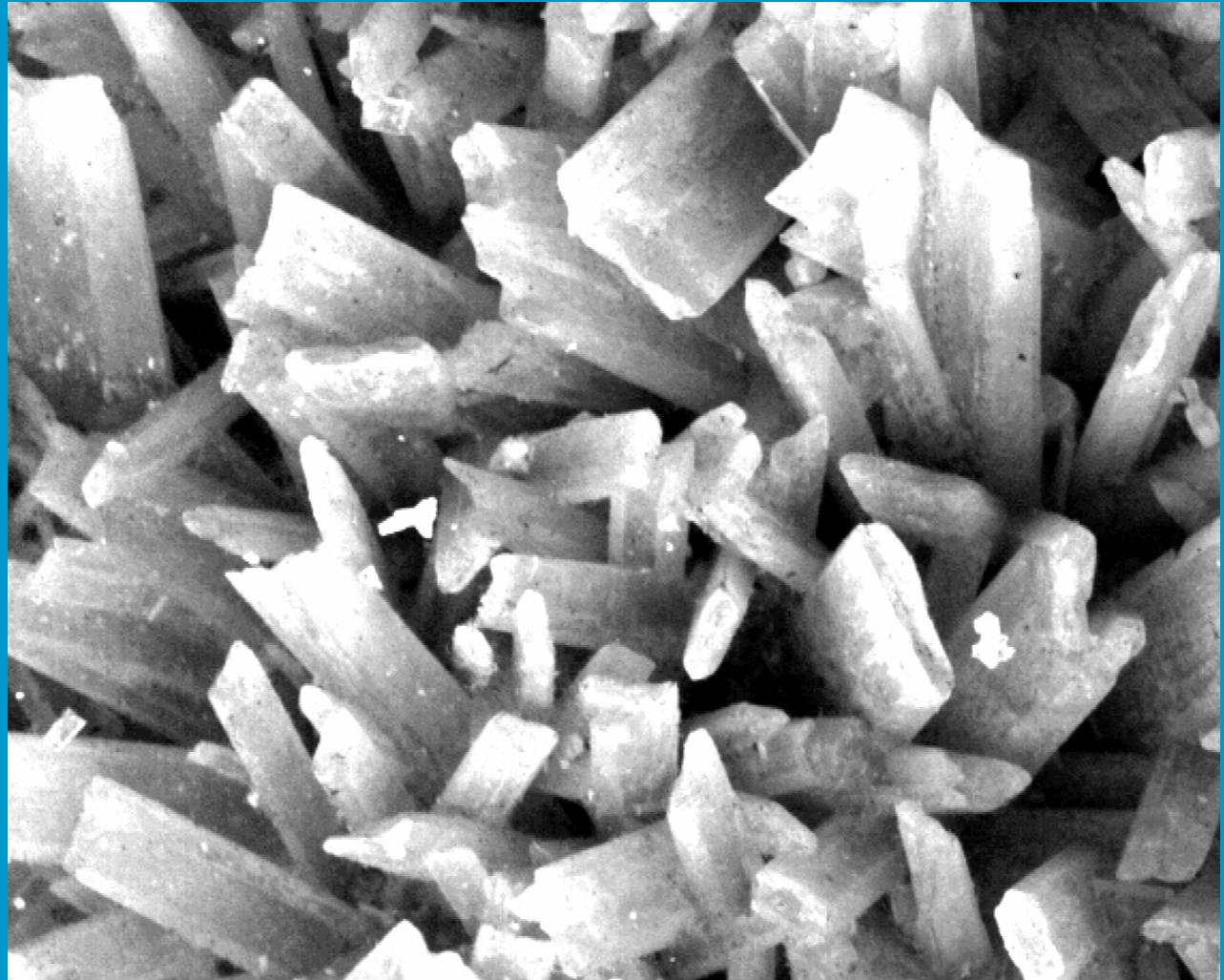
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Fouling control

	Pre-treatment	Optimali- sation process conditions	cleaning
Particles	++	-	+
Scaling	-	++	+/-
Biofouling	++	+/-	?
Organic fouling	+	++	+

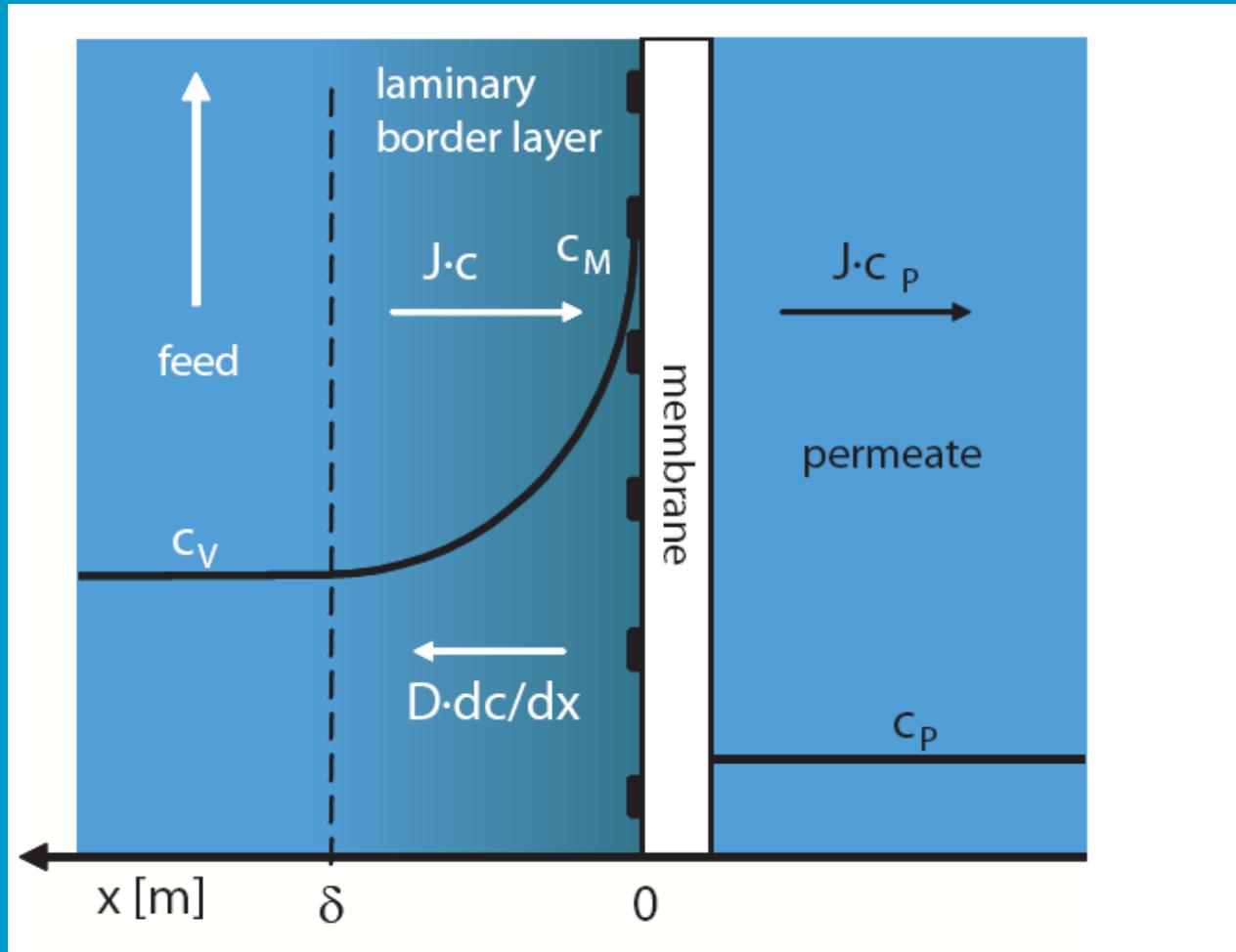
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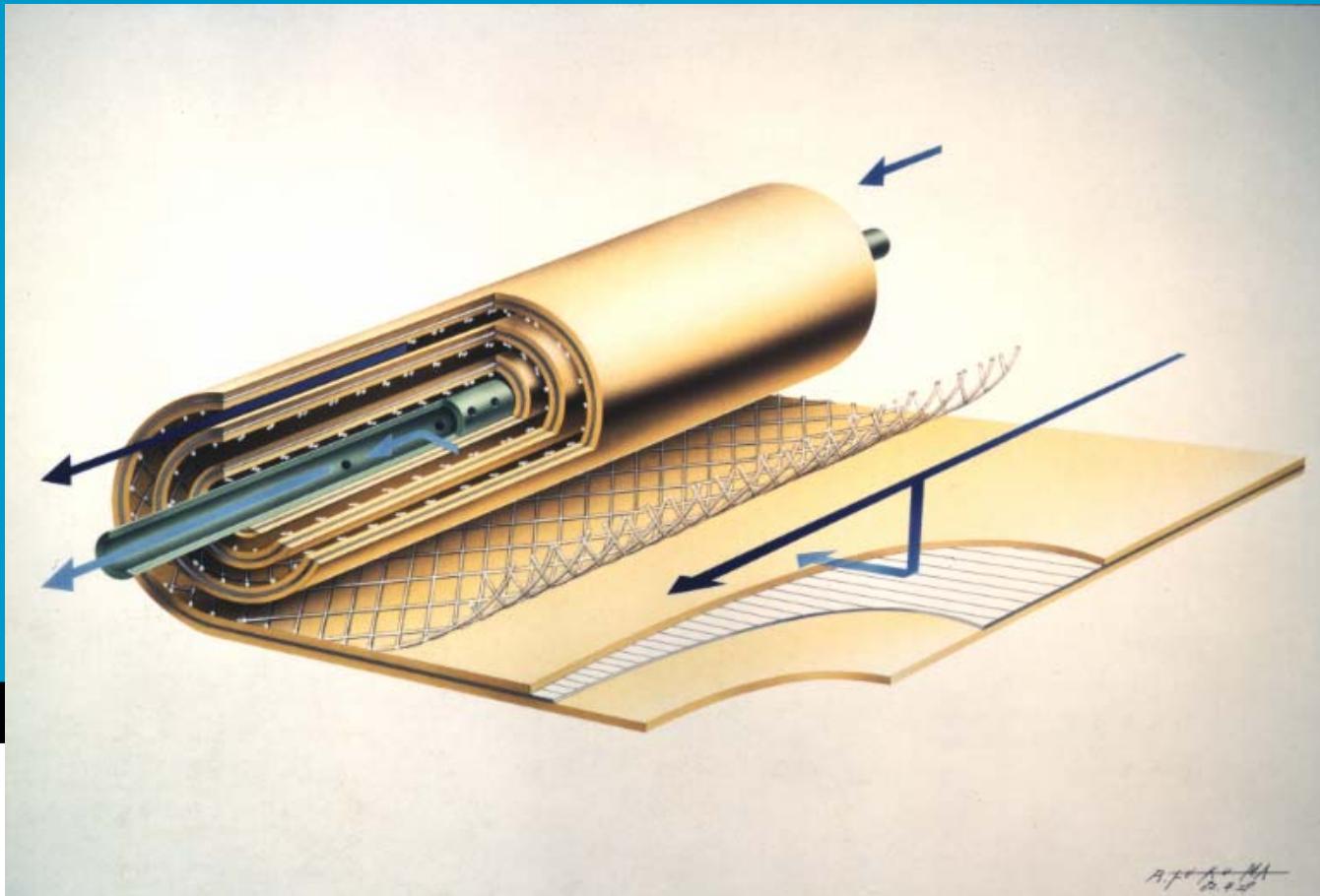
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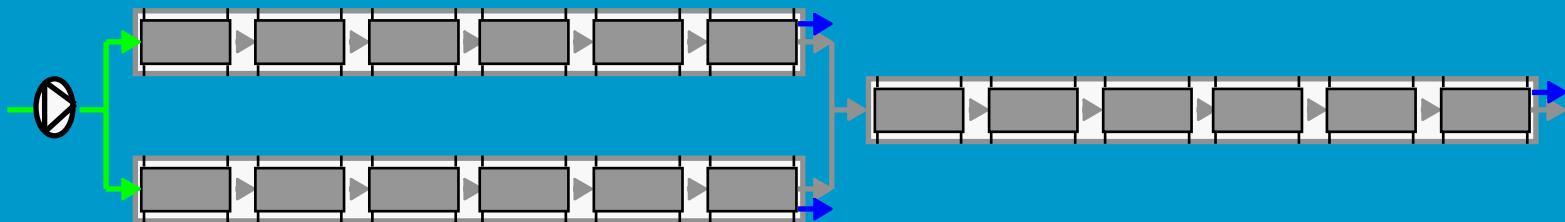
Fouling control: scaling

- Spiral wound membranes



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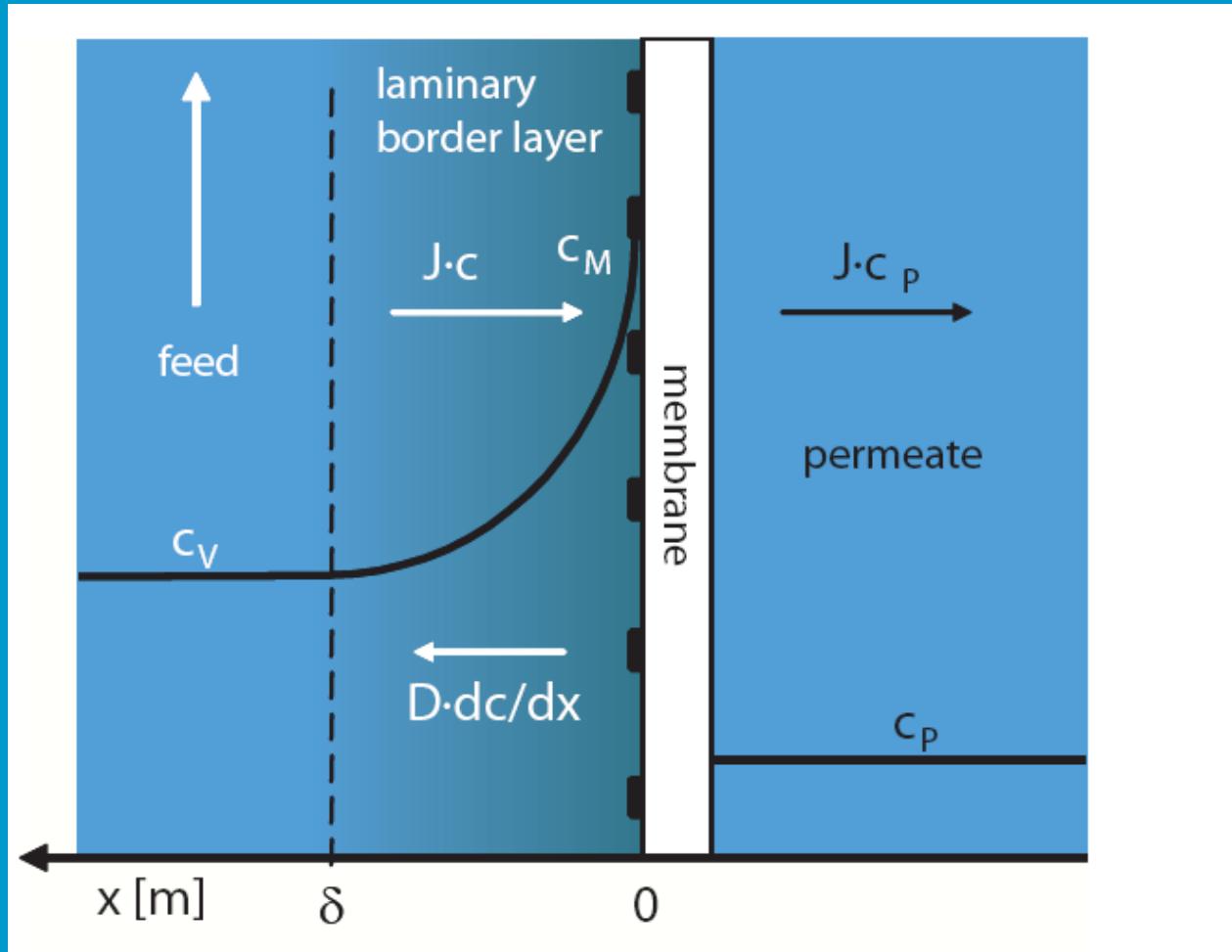
- Staging: increasing cross-flow velocity in second stage



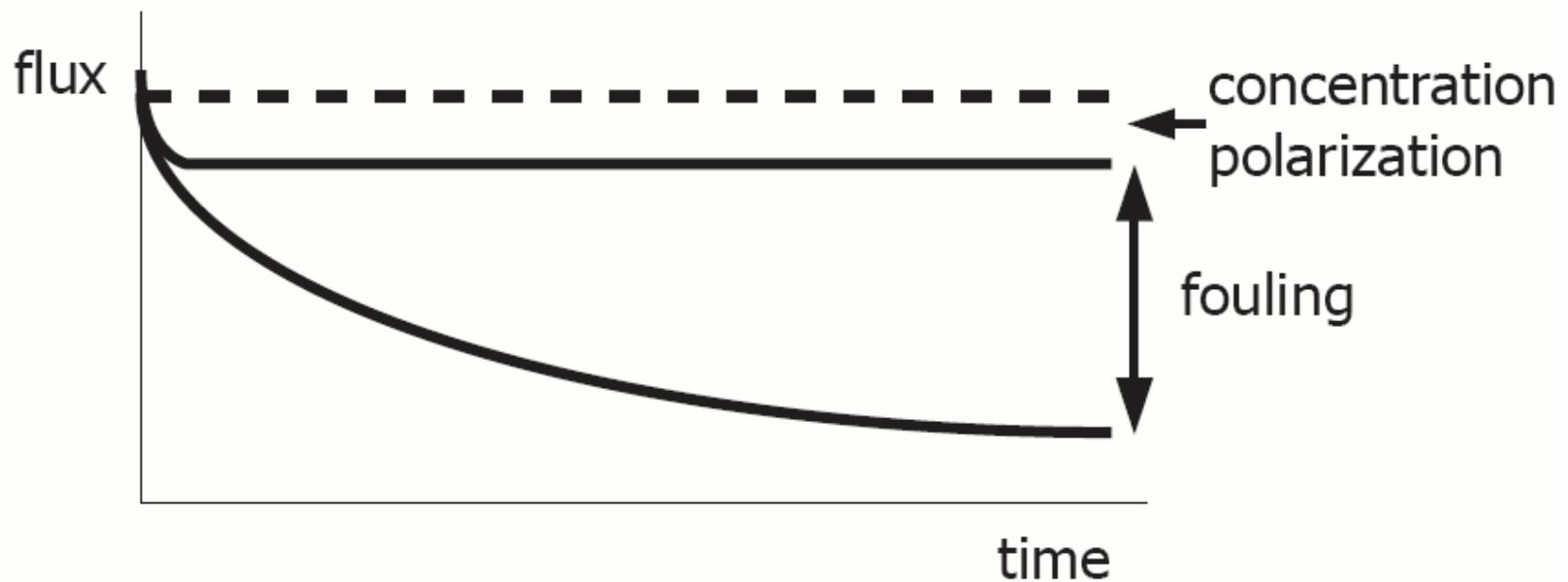
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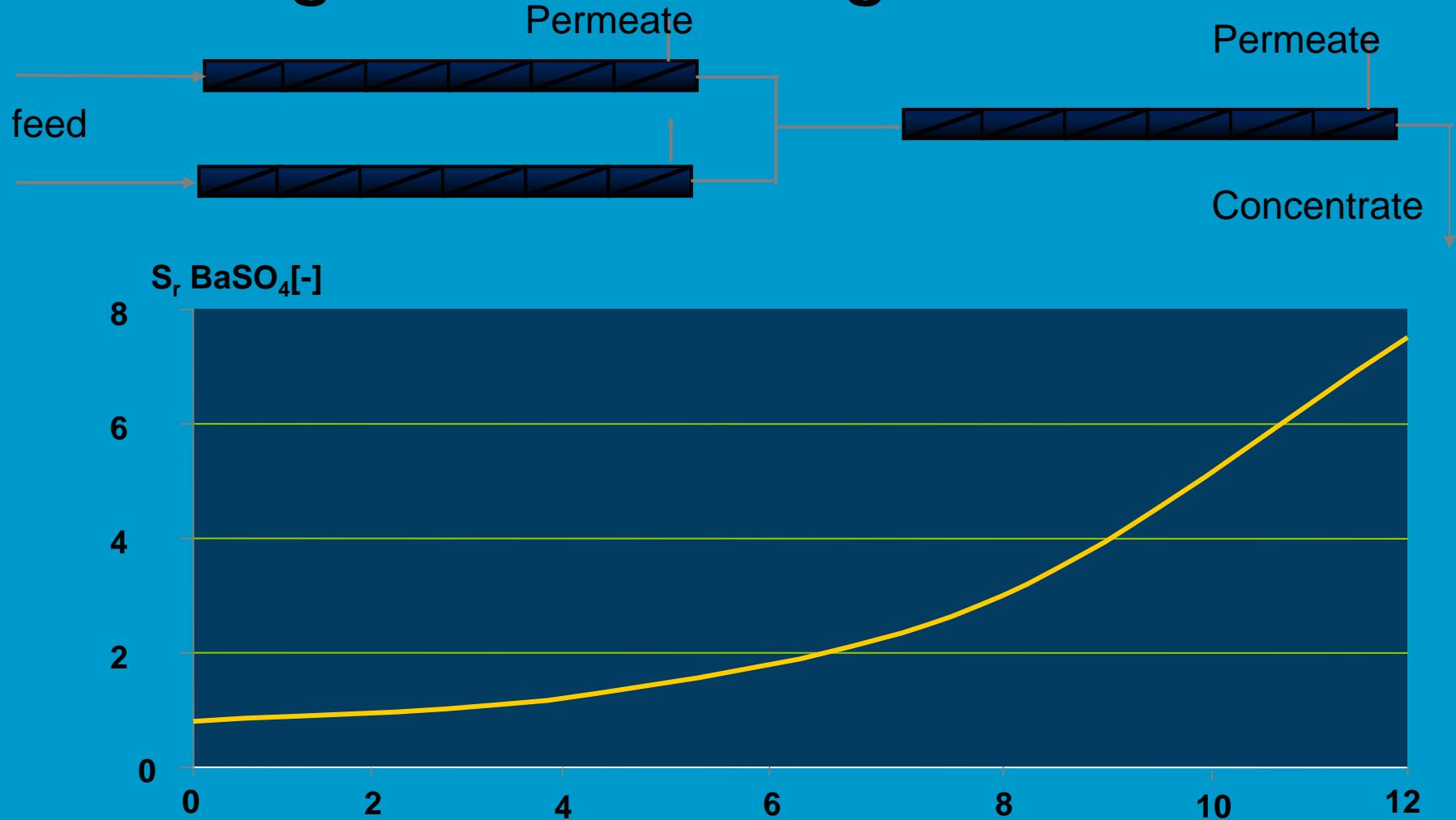
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