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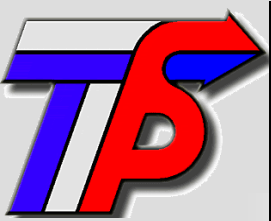
PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat Model to Evaluate Water-Quality Effects from Passive and Active Treatment of Mine Drainage

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“PHREEQ-N-AMDTREAT”

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AMDTREAT 5.0.2 PLUS NOW AVAILABLE!

AMDTreat 5.0.2 Plus corrects minor convergence issues identified during case study tests performed by the developers.

Enhancements to Version 5 of AMDTreat include incorporation of the geochemical modeling capabilities of the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) PHREEQ computer program to model titrations and enhancement to the oxidant tool.

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WHAT IS AMDTREAT?

AMDTreat (Pronounced: am'-D-treat or A-M-D-treat.), a member of **OSMRE's Technical Innovation and Professional Services (TIPS) suite of software**, is a computer application for estimating abatement costs for pollutional mine drainage, commonly referred to as Acid Mine Drainage or AMD. (Also Acid Rock Drainage or ARD.) The current version of AMDTreat is v5.0.2 Plus. AMDTreat can assist a user in estimating costs to abate water pollution using a variety of passive and chemical treatment types; including, vertical flow ponds, anoxic limestone drains, anaerobic wetlands, aerobic wetlands, bio reactors, manganese removal beds, limestone beds, oxic limestone channels, caustic soda, hydrated lime, pebble quicklime, ammonia, oxidation chemicals, and soda ash treatment systems. The acid mine drainage abatement cost model provides over 400 user modifiable variables in modeling costs for treatment facility construction, excavation, revegetation, piping, road construction, land acquisition, system maintenance, labor, water sampling, design, surveying, pumping, sludge removal, chemical consumption, clearing and grubbing, mechanical aeration, and ditching. AMDTreat also contains several financial and scientific tools to help select and plan treatment systems. These tools include a long-term financial forecasting module, an acidity calculator, a sulfate reduction calculator, a Langelier saturation index calculator, a mass balance calculator, a passive treatment alkalinity calculator, an abiotic homogeneous Fe²⁺ oxidation calculator, a biotic homogeneous Fe²⁺ oxidation calculator, an oxidation tool, and a metric conversion tool.

AMDTreat is a computer application for estimating abatement costs for AMD (acidic or alkaline mine drainage).

AMDTreat is maintained by OSMRE.

The **obsolete** version of AMDTreat 5.0+ has been recoded from FoxPro to C++ to facilitate its use on computer systems running Windows 10. **One of three PHREEQC** geochemical models described below has been incorporated to run with the recoded AMDTreat 6.0 program.

- Treatment Modules
- PASSIVE TREATMENT MODULES**
 - Anoxic Limestone Drain
 - Bioreactor
 - Limestone Bed
 - Manganese Removal Bed
 - Vertical Flow Pond
 - Wetland
 - ACTIVE TREATMENT MODULES**
 - Caustic Soda
 - Lime Products
 - Hydrogen Peroxide
 - Lime Slurry
 - Permanganate
 - Polymer
 - Soda Ash
 - ANCILLARY TREATMENT MODULES**
 - Clarifier
 - Conveyance Ditch
 - Decarbonation
 - Ponds
 - Pumping
 - Reaction Tank
 - PROJECT MODULES**
 - Sampling
 - Site Development & Maintenance
 - Labor

Treatment Layout

<p>Ponds</p> <p>Capital Cost \$36,018.22 Annual Cost \$0.00 Net Present Value \$39,357.70</p>	<p>Conveyance Ditch</p> <p>Capital Cost \$6,337.58 Annual Cost \$221.82 Net Present Value \$13,776.04</p>
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“AMDTreat 6.0”

AMDTreat 6.0 (2022) is a newly updated computer application for estimating costs and sizing of facilities to abate AMD (acidic or alkaline mine drainage) that is maintained by the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE).

The PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat water-quality modeling tool, developed by the USGS with support from OSMRE, was recently incorporated with AMDTreat 6.0 (beta version shown here).

<https://www.osmre.gov/programs/reclaiming-abandoned-mine-lands/amdtreat>

Tools

- V-Notch / Rectangular Weir
- Mass Balance Calculator
- Acidity Calculator
- Flumes
- Iron Oxidation
- PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat**
- California Pipe Method
- pH Averaging

Treatment Layout

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“PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat”

- ❖ **TreatTrainMix2 model simulates effects on water quality by treatment system components; useful for costs/benefits analysis.**
- ✓ **CO₂ outgassing and O₂ ingassing;**
- ✓ **Iron and manganese oxidation;**
- ✓ **Limestone dissolution;**
- ✓ **Oxidation of organic carbon coupled with reduction of Fe^{III}, sulfate, and nitrate.**
- ✓ **Active treatment with H₂O₂ and/or caustic chemicals.**
- ✓ **Mass and composition of solids formed, including Fe, Mn, and Al adsorbed by hydrous metal oxides (HMeO = HFO + HMO + HAO).**
- ❖ **An expanded stand-alone model includes rare-earth elements attenuation by adsorption and precipitation.**

Cravotta, C.A. III, 2020. Interactive PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat water-quality modeling tools to evaluate performance and design of treatment systems for acid mine drainage (software download): U.S. Geological Survey Software Release. <https://doi.org/10.5066/P9QEE3D5>

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Treatment of AMD

(Acidic or Alkaline Mine Drainage)



Passive

Active



Increase pH/oxidation
with aeration, natural
substrates & microbes

Reactions slow

Large area footprint

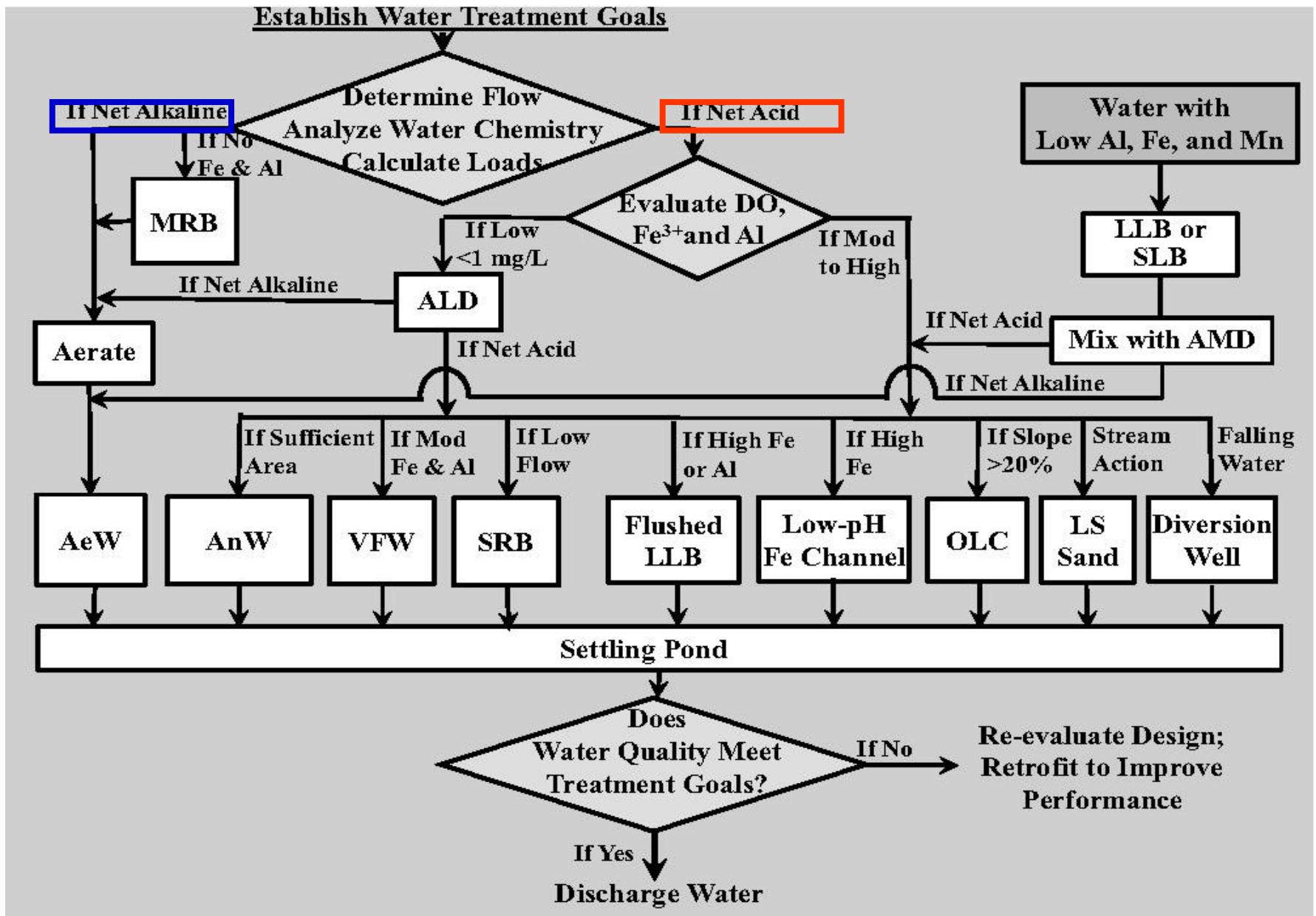
Low maintenance

Increase pH/oxidation
with aeration &/or
industrial chemicals

Reactions fast, efficient

Moderate area footprint

High maintenance



Skousen, J.G., Zipper, C.E., Rose, A.W., Ziemkiewicz, P.F., Nairn, R., McDonald, L.M., and Kleinmann, R.L., 2017. Review of passive systems for acid mine drainage treatment. *Mine Water Environ.* 36, 133-153.

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat Models

Simulate water-quality changes during passive and active treatment.

Three complementary, user-friendly tools use same thermodynamic database and input water-quality data for a given AMD:

- ✓ “CausticTitration.exe”
- ✓ “ParallelTreatment.exe”
- ✓ “TreatTrainMix2.exe” (*→incorporated with AMDTreat 6.0*)

Graphical and tabular output indicates changes in pH, concentrations of metals, TDS, and SC plus the cumulative quantity of precipitated solids as a function of retention time or the amount of caustic added.

Evaluate design/performance and costs/benefits of alternatives.

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: Modeled Variables

Variable description	Variable on User Interface
Solutions A and B*	
Design flow	Design flow (gpm)*
Mix fraction	Mix Fraction
Water temperature	Temp (C)
Specific conductance at 25C	SC (uS/cm)
Dissolved oxygen	DO (mg/L)
pH	pH
Acidity	Acidity (mg/L)
Net acidity, calculated	Estimate NetAcidity
Alkalinity	Alk (mg/L)
Total inorganic carbon	TIC (mg/L as C)
Total inorganic carbon, calculated	Estimate TIC
Total iron	Fe (mg/L)
Ferrous iron	Fe2 (mg/L)
Ferrous iron, calculated	Estimate Fe2
Aluminum	Al (mg/L)
Manganese	Mn (mg/L)
Sulfate	SO4 (mg/L)
Chloride	Cl (mg/L)
Calcium	Ca (mg/L)
Magnesium	Mg (mg/L)
Sodium	Na (mg/L)
Potassium	K (mg/L)
Silicon	Si (mg/L)
Nitrate	NO3N (mg/L)
Total dissolved solids	TDS (mg/L)
Dissolved organic carbon	DOC (mg/L as C)
Humate	Humate (mg/L as C)
Hydrogen peroxide, calculated (after conservative mixing of A and B)	Estimate H2O2.mol/L
Kinetic adjustment factor (multiplied by rate constant) applied equally to all steps of ParallelTreatment or TreatTrainMix2 tools	
Factor kCO2, multiplied by CO2 outgassing rate constant (kLaCO2)	factr.kCO2
Factor kO2, multiplied by CO2 outgassing rate constant to estimate O2 ingassing rate constant	factr.kO2
Factor kFeHOM, multiplied by homogeneous Fe2 oxidation rate constant	factr.kFeHOM
Factor kFeHET, multiplied by heterogeneous Fe2 oxidation rate constant	factr.kFeHET
Factor kFeHMnOx, multiplied by heterogeneous Fe2 oxidation rate constant	factr.kFeHMnOx
Factor kbact, multiplied by microbial rate constant (assumes Fe oxidizing bacteria MPN = 5.3e11 cells/L)	factr.kbact
Factor kFeNO3, multiplied by homogeneous Fe2 oxidation rate constant	factr.kFeNO3
Factor kMnHOM, multiplied by homogeneous Mn2 oxidation rate constant	factr.kMnHOM
Factor kMnHFO, multiplied by heterogeneous Mn2_HFO oxidation rate constant	factr.kMnHFO
Factor kMnHMO, multiplied by heterogeneous Mn2_HMO oxidation rate constant	factr.kMnHMO
Factor kSHFO, multiplied by FeIII reduction-sulfide oxidation rate constant	factr.kSHFO
Factor kSOC, multiplied by sedimentary organic carbon oxidation rate constant	factr.kSOC
Factor kDOC, multiplied by dissolved organic carbon oxidation rate constant	factr.kDOC
Factor kH2O2, peroxide Fe2 oxidation rate constant	factr.kFeH2O2
Exponential factor for calcite dissolution rate model	EXPcc

Input water-quality, one or two solutions (A+B)

Adjustment factors for rate constants

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: Modeled Variables

Variable description	Variable on User Interface
Kinetic adjustment and equilibrium variables used in CausticTitration tool	
Time, in seconds, for pre-aeration step	Time0
kCO2, CO2 mass-transfer rate for pre-aeration step; see Table S6	kLaCO2.1/s
Steady-state log PCO2, used with kCO2 in CO2 mass-transfer rate expression	Steady-state logPCO2
Concentration of caustic soda (NaOH) solution in weight percent	NaOH wt%soln
Equilibrium value (solid-phase precipitation limit) for all steps in CausticTitration, ParallelTreatment, or TreatTrainMix2 tools	
Saturation index for calcite precipitation as equilibrium phase	SI_CaCO3
Saturation index for siderite precipitation as equilibrium phase	SI_FeCO3
Saturation index for Fe(OH)3 precipitation as equilibrium phase; see Table S2	SI_Fe(OH)3
Saturation index for schwertmannite precipitation as equilibrium phase; see Table S2	SI_Schwertmannite
Saturation index for Al(OH)3 precipitation as equilibrium phase; see Table S2	SI_Al(OH)3
Saturation index for basaluminite precipitation as equilibrium phase; see Table S2	SI_Basaluminite
Kinetic adjustment factor applied differently to each step of ParallelTreatment or TreatTrainMix2 tools, i = (1:11)	
Target pH specified for caustic addition at steps 1-5	-->pH
Hours total for step (1:11)	Time.hrs
Water temperature at end of step (1:11)	Temp2.C
Hydrogen peroxide at beginning of step (1:11)	H2O2.mol
kCO2, CO2 mass-transfer rate at beginning of step (1:11); see Table S6	kLaCO2.1/s
Steady-state log PCO2, used with kCO2 in CO2 mass-transfer rate expression for each step (1:11)	Lg(PCO2.atm)
Calcite unit surface area at beginning of step (1:11); see Table S7	SAcc.cm2/mol
Calcite mass fraction in limestone at beginning of step (1:11)	M/M0cc
Sedimentary organic carbon mass at beginning of step (1:11)	SOC.mol
Sorbent mass at beginning of step (1:11)	HMeO.mg
Sorbent content as percent iron at beginning of step (1:11)	Fe%
Sorbent content as percent manganese at beginning of step (1:11)	Mn%
Sorbent content as percent aluminum at beginning of step (1:11)	Al%
Description of step (1:11)	Description

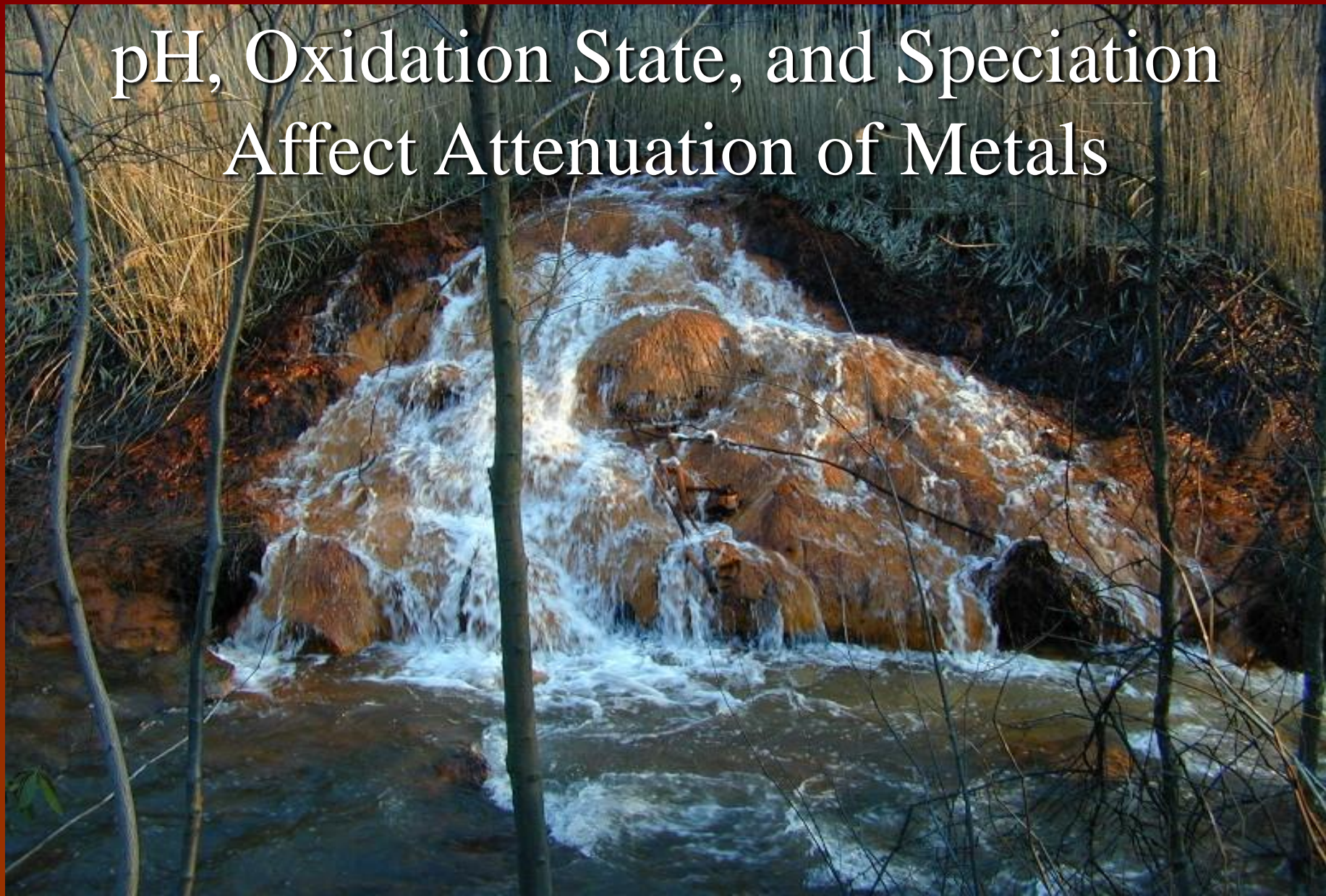
Variables applied in CausticTitration tool

Solid-phase precipitation control

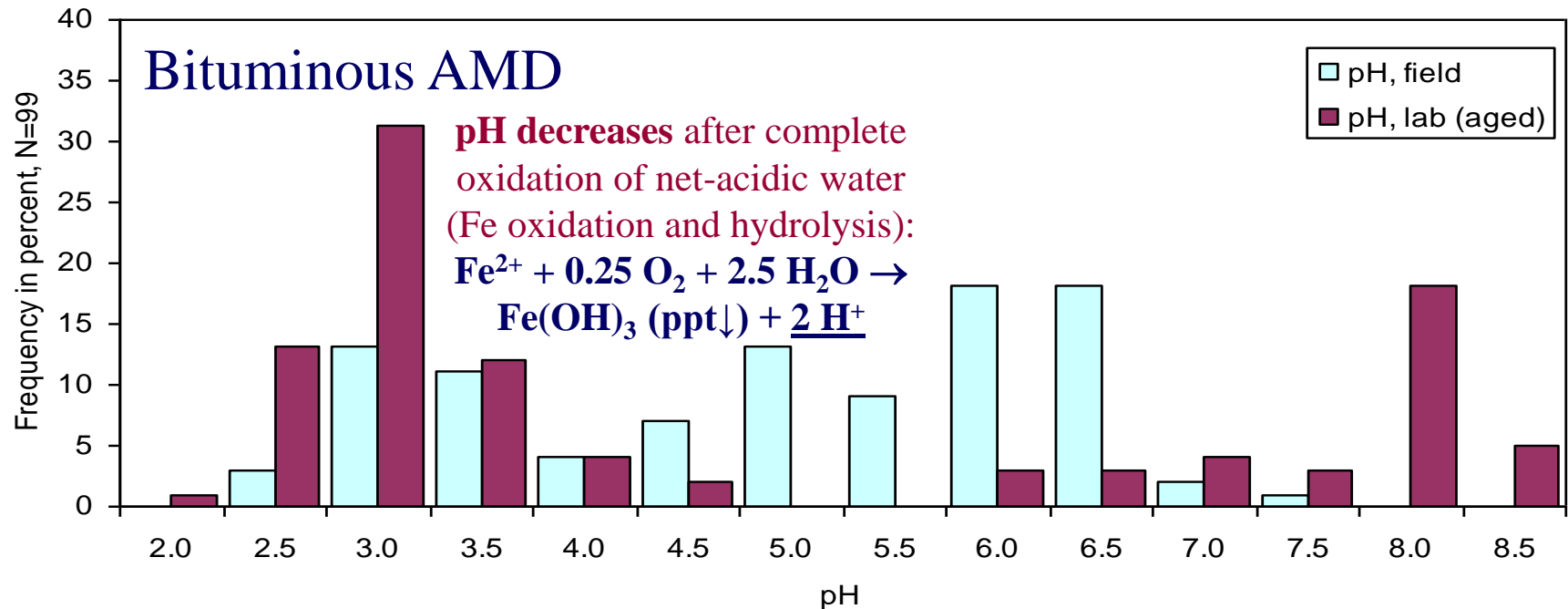
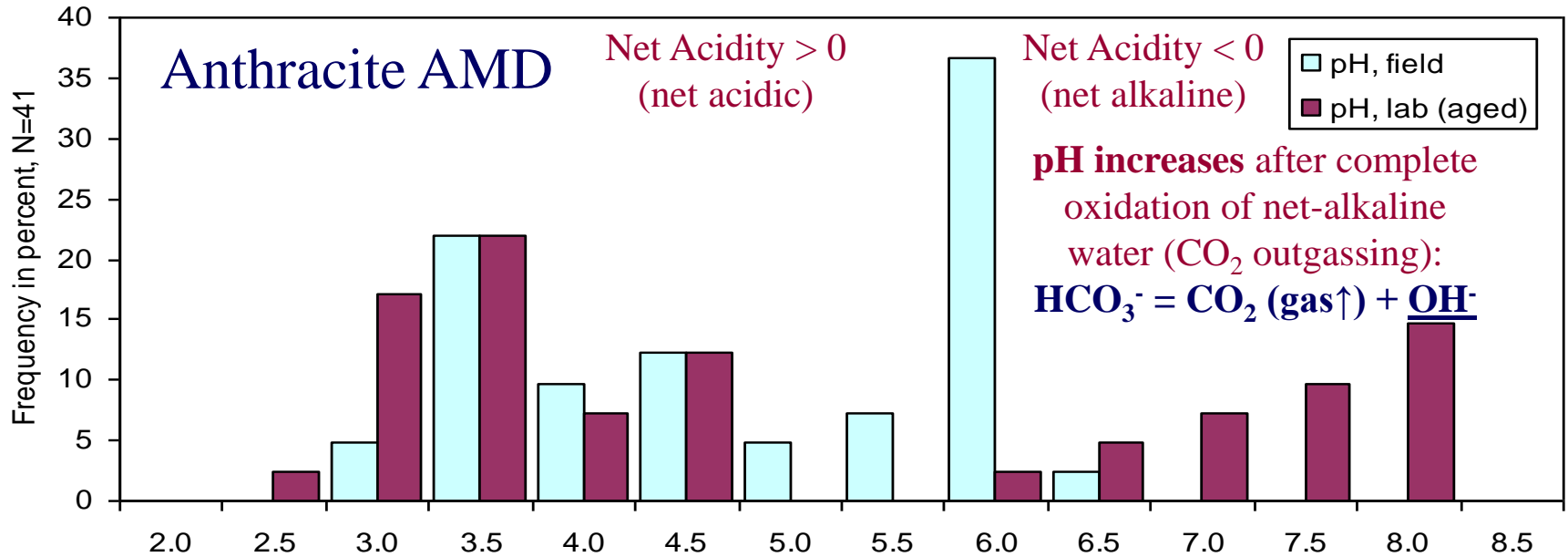
System variables for up to 11 treatment steps

*Input values for two different solutions, A and B, may be entered. Suffix "B" applies to variable names for solution B.

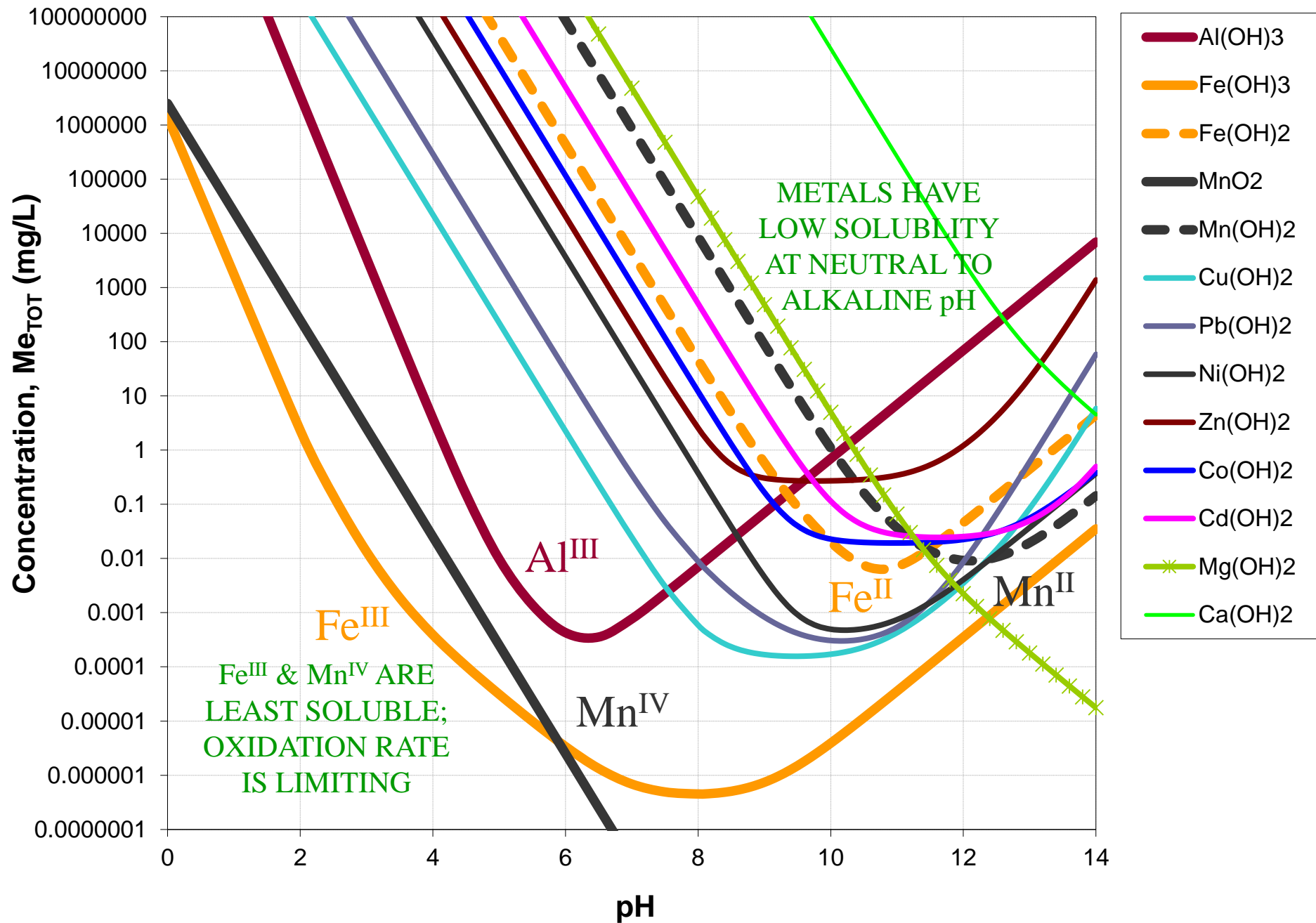
pH, Oxidation State, and Speciation Affect Attenuation of Metals



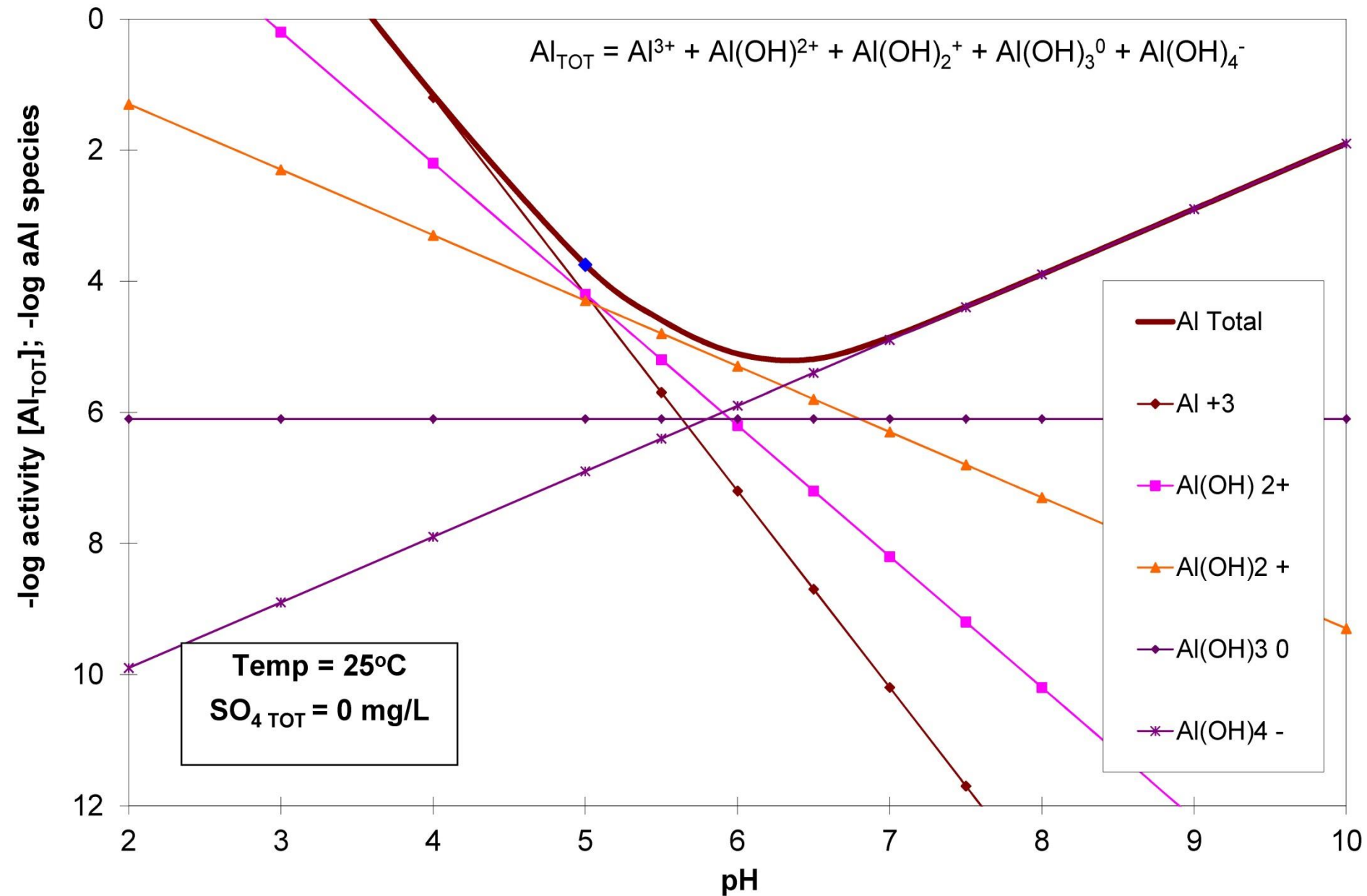
Bimodal pH, Net Acidic, and Net Alkaline AMD



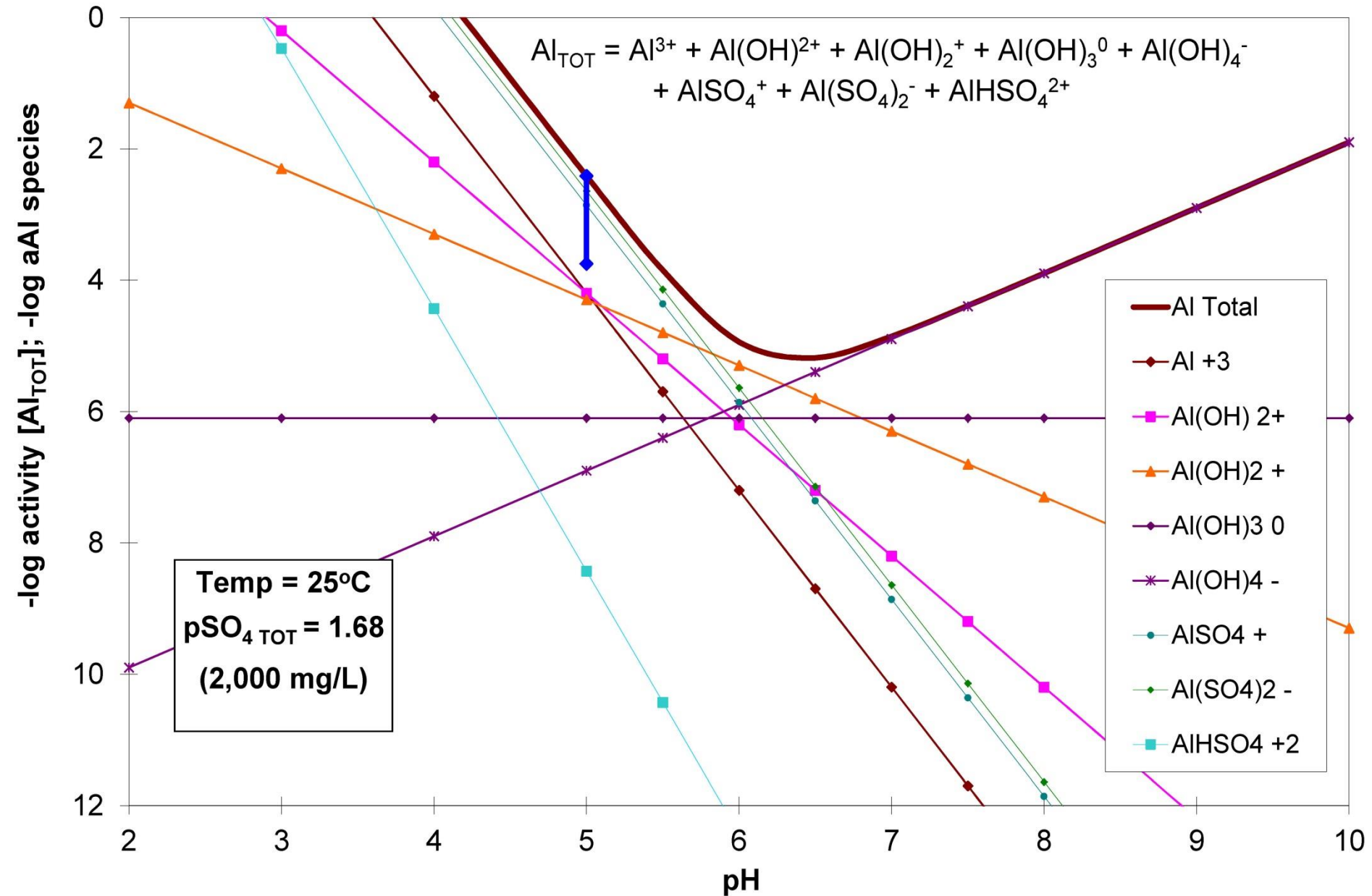
Solubilities of Metal Hydroxides



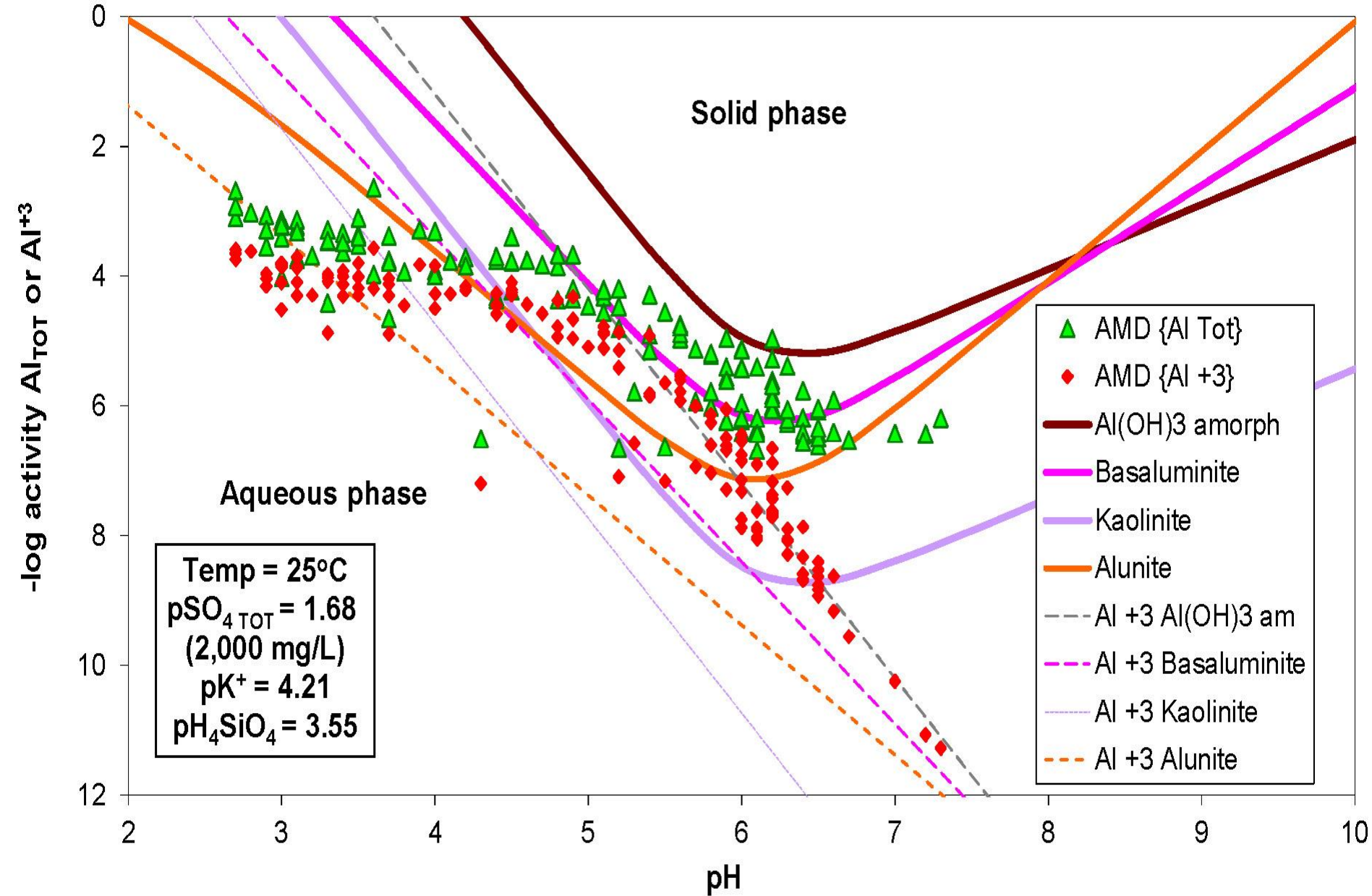
Al Solubility



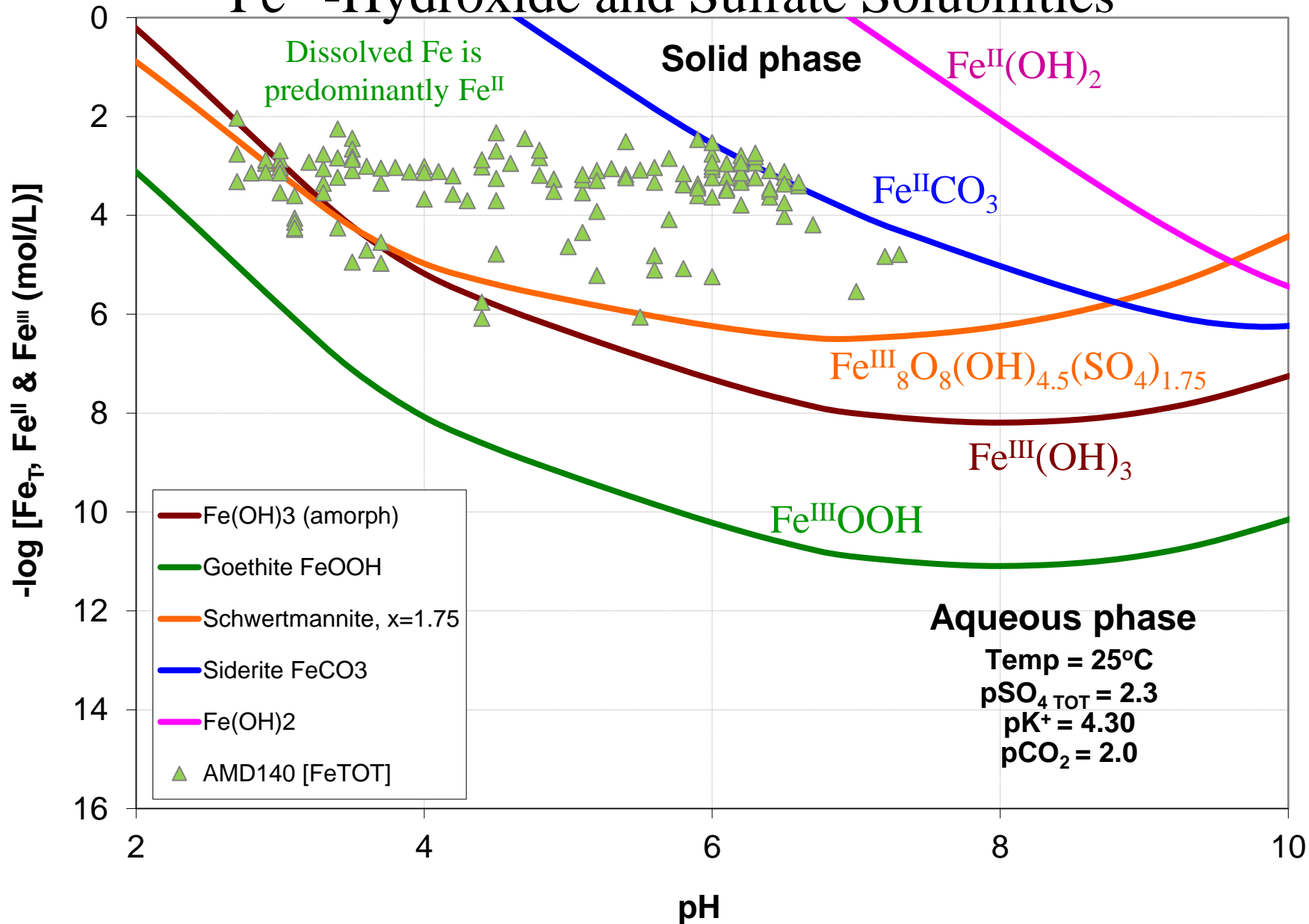
Al Solubility Considering Aqueous Sulfate Species



Al Solubility Considering Aqueous Sulfate Species



Fe Limited by Fe^{II}-Carbonate and Fe^{III}-Hydroxide and Sulfate Solubilities



Iron Oxidation Kinetics are pH Dependent

(pH is affected by gas exchange, hydrolysis, neutralization; abiotic and microbial processes can be involved)

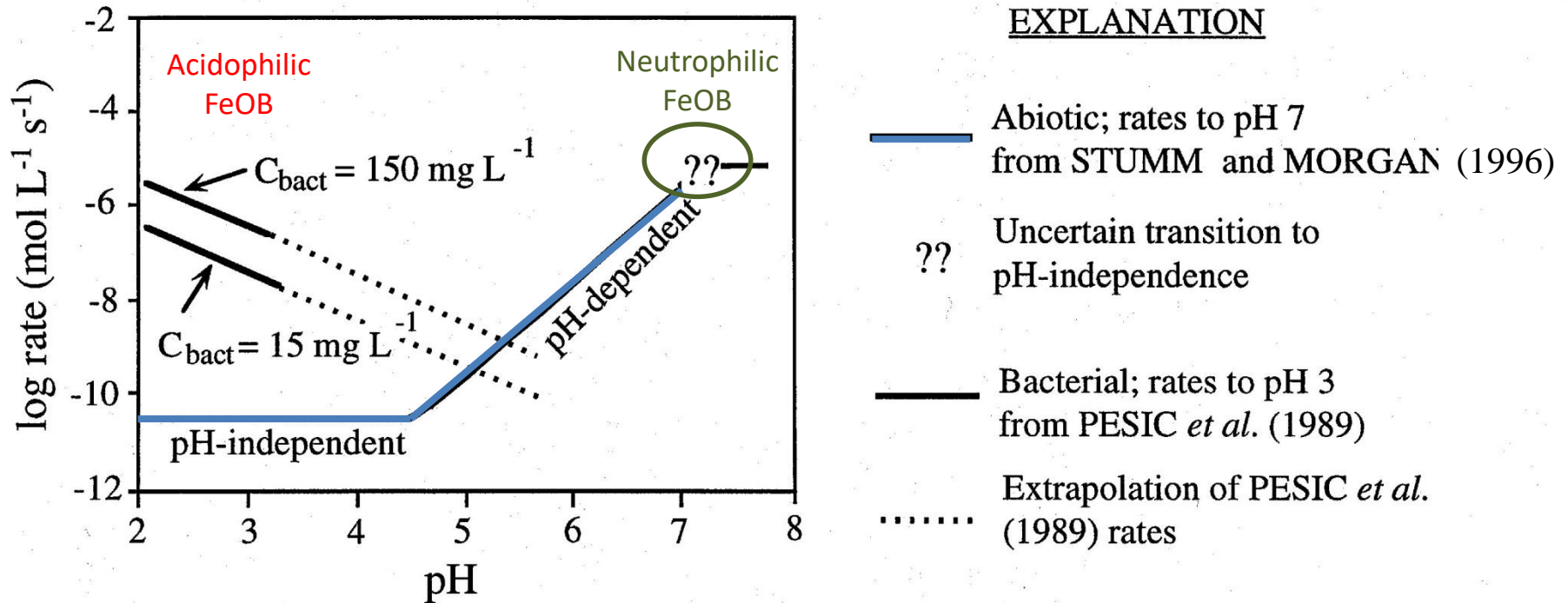


Fig. 3. Rate of Fe(II) oxidation versus pH based on abiotic and biological rate laws (Kirby *et al.*, 1999)

** C_{bact} is concentration of iron-oxidizing bacteria (FeOB), in mg/L, as dry weight of bacteria ($2.8E-13$ g/cell or $2.8E-10$ mg/cell).

The AMDTreat Fell oxidation kinetic model uses most probable number of iron-oxidizing bacteria per liter (MPN_{bact}).

$C_{bact} = 150$ mg/L is equivalent to $MPN_{bact} = 5.3E11$, where $C_{bact} = MPN_{bact} \cdot (2.8E-10)$.

Neutrophilic rate is adjusted for optimum conditions of pH (6.5-7.5) and low DO (1.9-2.2 mg/L) (Eggerichs *et al.*, 2014).

Additionally, catalysis by adsorption to solids (heterogeneous oxidation) depends on pH (>5).

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat Examples

Gas Exchange, pH, and Metals Attenuation



Caustic Titration with Pre-Aeration (Decarbonation)

St. Michael: pre-aeration decreases CO_2 acidity, caustic usage, and sludge

CausticTitration.exe

File Select folder for input/output water-quality

Select Workspace C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMDTreat_geochem_data\StMichael

One or two initial solutions:

	Soln#A	Soln#B
Design flow (gpm)	5200	0
Mix fraction	1	0 <i>Only Soln#A</i>
Temp (C)	15.4	0.01
SC ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$)	1923	0
DO (mg/L)	0.01	0.01 <i>DO must be > 0</i>
pH	5.7	0
Acidity (mg/L)	254.2	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate NetAcidity	223	0
Alk (mg/L)	50.8	0
TIC (mg/L as C)	57.3	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate TIC	63.5	0
Fe (mg/L)	148	0
Fe2 (mg/L)	148	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimate Fe2	0	0
Al (mg/L)	0.34	0
Mn (mg/L)	3.6	0
SO4 (mg/L)	1078	0
Cl (mg/L)	32.8	0
Ca (mg/L)	242	0
Mg (mg/L)	88.7	0
Na (mg/L)	27.8	0
K (mg/L)	9.15	0
Si (mg/L)	18.8	0
NO3N (mg/L)	0	0
TDS (mg/L)	0	0
DOC (mg/L as C)	0.1	0
Humate (mg/L as C)	0.1	0

Caustic Chemical Treatment Type

Hydrated Lime, $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$

Pebble Quick Lime, CaO

Caustic Soda, NaOH 20 wt% soln

Soda Ash, Na_2CO_3

Not Aerated *Instantaneous equilibration with input DO*

Pre-Aerated

TimeSecs 54 *Duration of pre-aeration in sec*

$k\text{LaCO}_2$ 0.1/s 0.05 *CO_2 outgassing rate constant in sec^{-1}*

factr.kCO2 1 *Adjustment CO_2 outgassing rate (x $k\text{LaCO}_2$)*

factr.kO2 2.1 *Adjustment O_2 ingassing rate (x $k\text{LaCO}_2$)*

H2O2.mol 0 *Hydrogen peroxide added**

Estimate H2O2.mol/L 0.001332 **multiply Fe2.mg by 0.000009 to get $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]$*

0.0001143 35wt% 0.0001082 50wt%

H2O2 wt% units gal/gal (memo, not used)

factr.kFeH2O2 1 *Adjustment to H_2O_2 rate*

Aerated to Equilibrium *Equilibration with specified log(Pco_2 , atm)*

User Specified "Steady-State" Conditions:

Steady-state logPCO2 -3.4 *Selected mineral precipitation points*

Saturation Index I_g(IAP/K) to Precipitate Selected Solids:

Al(OH) ₃	0.0	Basaluminite	3.0
Fe(OH) ₃	0.0	Schwertmannite	1.0
CaCO ₃	0.3	FeCO ₃ or MnCO ₃	2.5

Generate Titration Output Print PHREEQC Output Report

Plot Dis. Metals Plot Ca, Acidity Plot Sat Index Plot PPT Solids

Optional on-screen graphical displays of selected output

CausticTitration.exe created by C.A. Cravotta III, U.S. Geological Survey, Version 1.4.5, August 2021

Options: no aeration, kinetic pre-aeration (w/wo H_2O_2), and equilibrium aeration.

Allows selection and evaluation of key variables that affect chemical usage efficiency.

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Caustic Titration with Pre-Aeration (Decarbonation)

St. Michael: pre-aeration decreases CO₂ acidity, caustic usage, and sludge

A. CausticTitration.exe: Not aerated (CaO reacted to achieve pH 8.5 is 675 mg/L as CaCO₃)

pH	Caustic asCaCO3mg	Fe_mg	Fe2_mg	Al_mg	Mn_mg	TDS_mg	NetAcidity_mg	SolidsPPT_mg	CO2_mg	O2_mg
5.699391	0.000000	148.253946	148.184017	0.340583	3.606177	1,844.993285	219.160655	0.000000	184.696702	0.000000
5.698863	0.000000	148.192824	148.184017	0.340589	3.606188	1,844.843522	219.051235	0.116997	184.743198	0.000000
6.000000	36.694286	148.189513	148.184989	0.340591	3.606212	1,881.558706	182.288486	0.125192	152.974763	0.000000
6.500000	112.570987	148.188619	148.186989	0.125352	3.606260	1,956.151328	106.359043	0.753005	87.623936	0.000000
7.000000	171.880310	148.189212	148.188493	0.204352	3.606297	2,016.003903	47.027779	0.526362	37.108986	0.000000
7.500000	304.913856	148.187159	148.186724	0.340595	3.606254	1,955.324734	108.502893	194.644240	8.208932	0.000000
8.000000	420.943189	148.184464	148.184105	0.340589	3.606190	1,859.127523	204.623649	406.792768	0.939037	0.000000
8.500000	674.529768	31.972639	31.972263	0.340599	3.606297	1,671.810545	44.644131	687.418049	0.074199	0.000000
9.000000	737.552245	3.319670	3.319157	0.340602	3.606323	1,629.448665	1.378623	753.285879	0.007021	0.000000
9.500000	752.060641	0.379644	0.378671	0.340601	3.606321	1,629.762183	-7.720410	763.426508	0.000694	0.000000
10.000000	767.704290	0.055916	0.053479	0.340601	2.441687	1,639.455711	-21.535525	767.660752	0.000068	0.000000
10.500000	1,067.563230	0.018483	0.011410	0.340618	0.266277	1,695.835449	-39.623063	935.930409	0.000005	0.000000
11.000000	1,171.884112	0.027497	0.005748	0.055888	0.034796	1,729.690739	-65.761207	987.130878	0.000000	0.000000

B. CausticTitration.exe: Pre-aerated, CO₂ decreased almost 90% (CaO reacted to achieve pH 8.5 is 290 mg/L as CaCO₃)

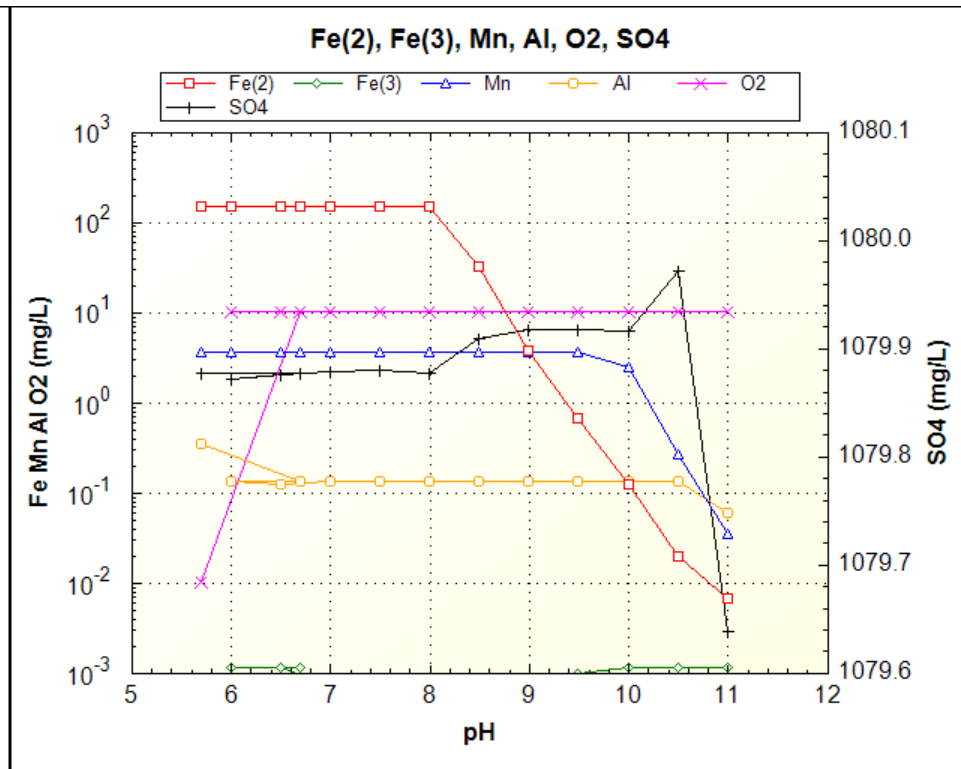
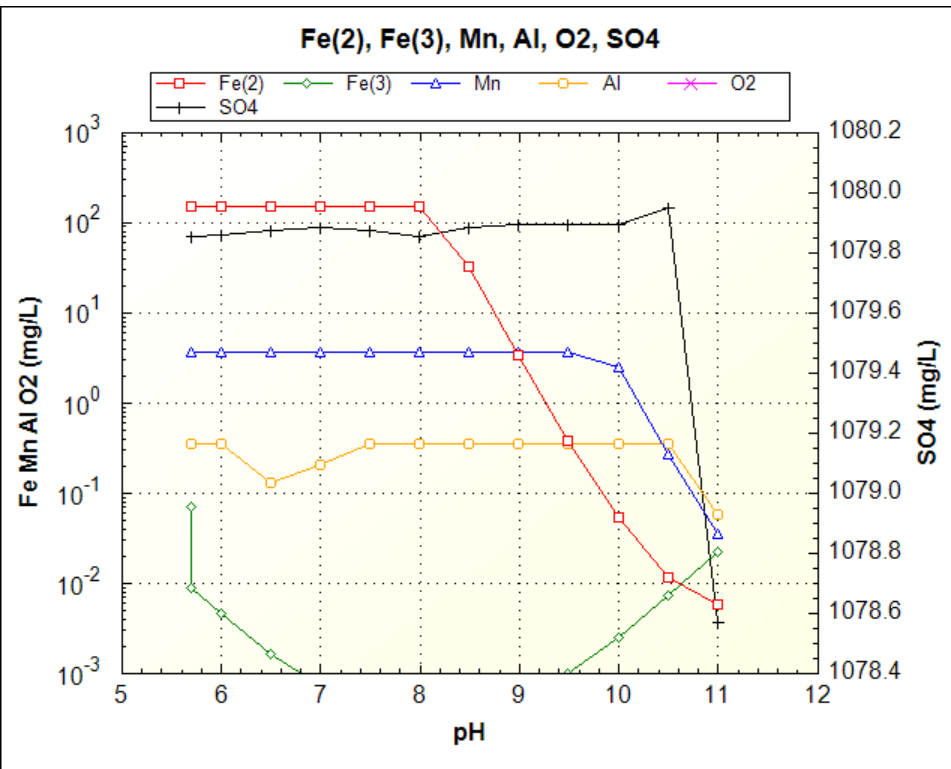
pH	Caustic asCaCO3mg	Fe_mg	Fe2_mg	Al_mg	Mn_mg	TDS_mg	NetAcidity_mg	SolidsPPT_mg	CO2_mg	O2_mg
5.700000	0.000000	148.253944	148.253944	0.340583	3.606177	1,796.954955	218.906769	0.000000	184.683994	0.010018
6.697709	0.000000	148.153294	148.152157	0.131429	3.606182	1,795.523678	218.803412	0.797321	17.796470	10.215814
6.000000	-28.616060	148.152569	148.151421	0.131434	3.606169	1,766.883972	247.467641	0.000009	42.257085	10.215762
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Caustic Titration with Pre-Aeration (Decarbonation)

St. Michael: pre-aeration decreases CO_2 acidity, caustic usage, and sludge

CausticTitration.exe: **Not aerated** (Graph1)

CausticTitration.exe: **Pre-aerated** (Graph1)

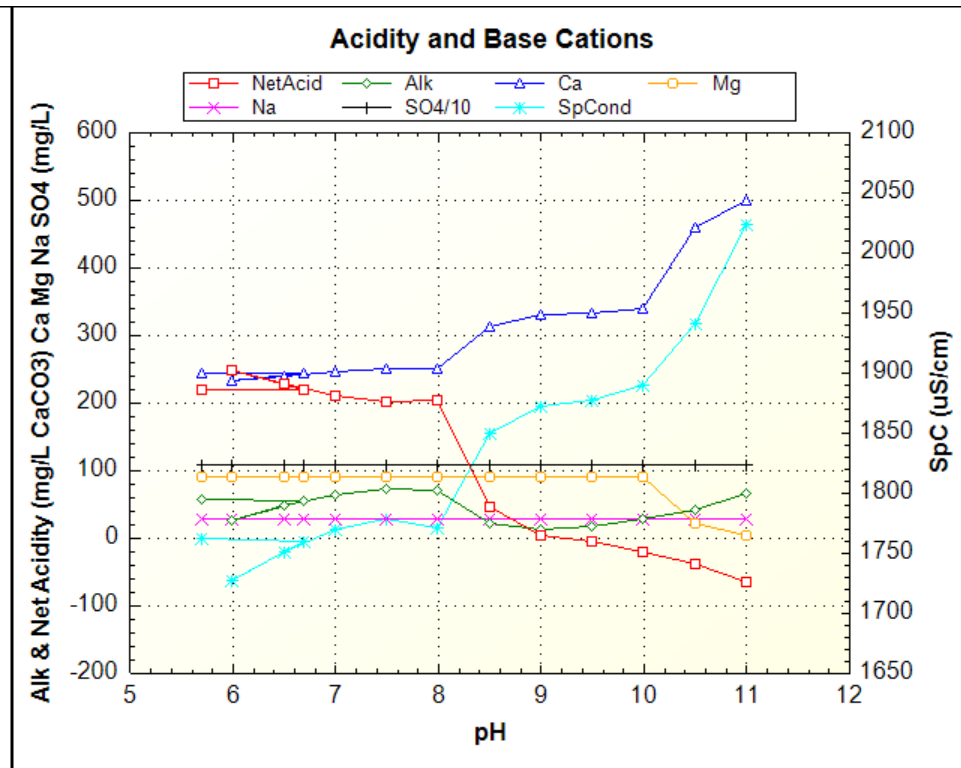
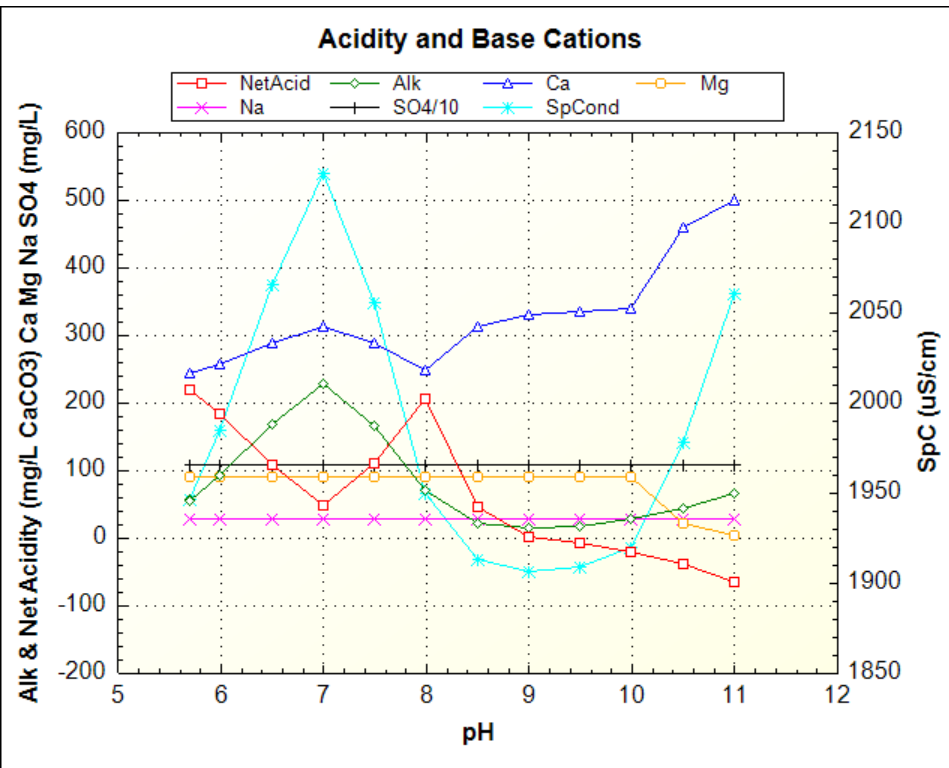


Caustic Titration with Pre-Aeration (Decarbonation)

St. Michael: pre-aeration decreases CO_2 acidity, caustic usage, and sludge

CausticTitration.exe: **Not aerated** (Graph2)

CausticTitration.exe: **Pre-aerated** (Graph2)

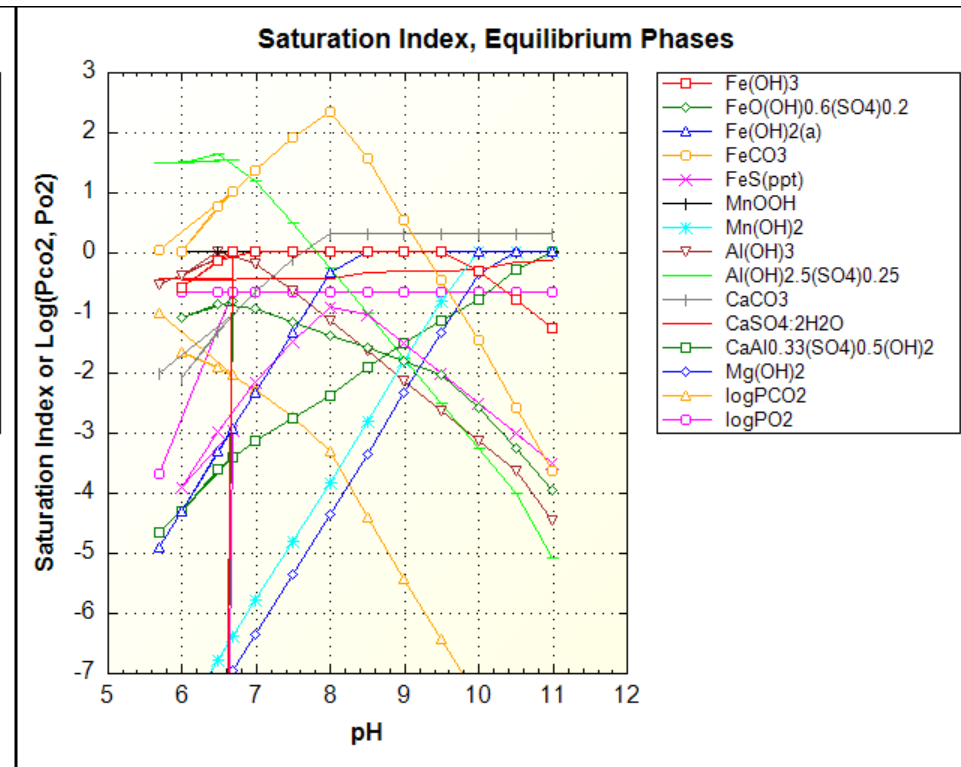
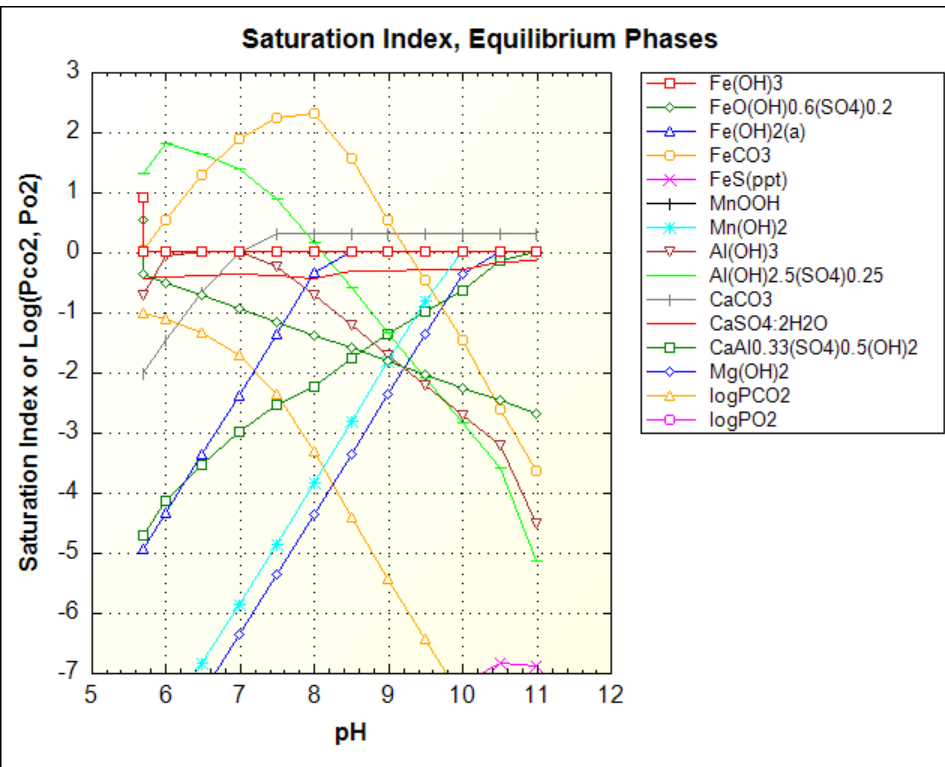


Caustic Titration with Pre-Aeration (Decarbonation)

St. Michael: pre-aeration decreases CO_2 acidity, caustic usage, and sludge

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CausticTitration.exe: **Pre-aerated** (Graph3)

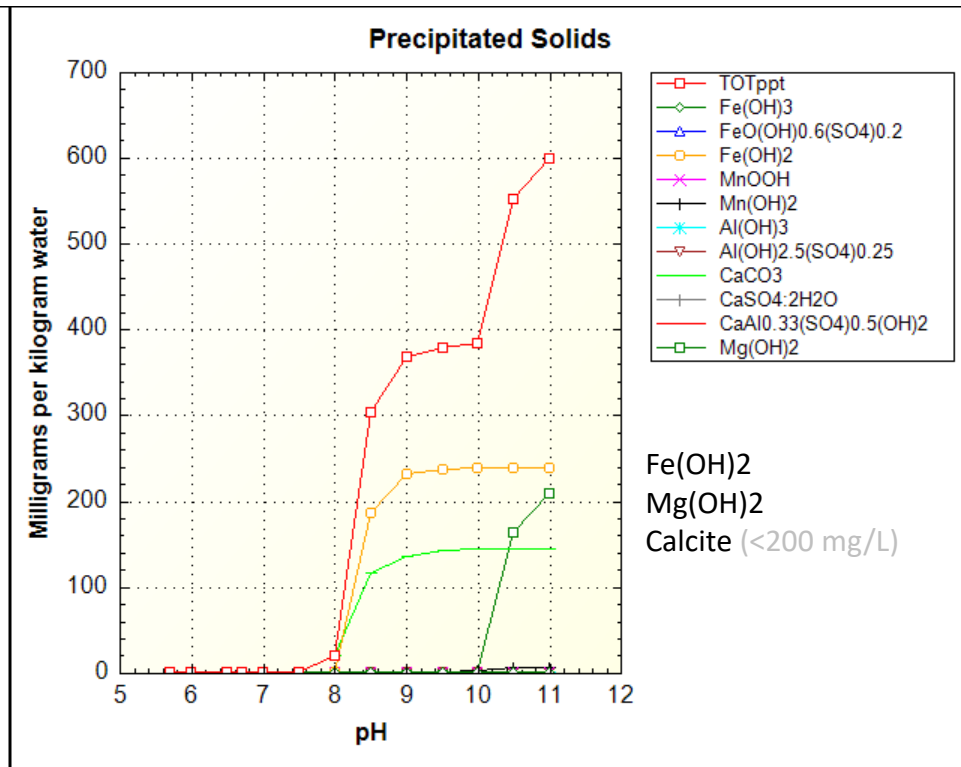
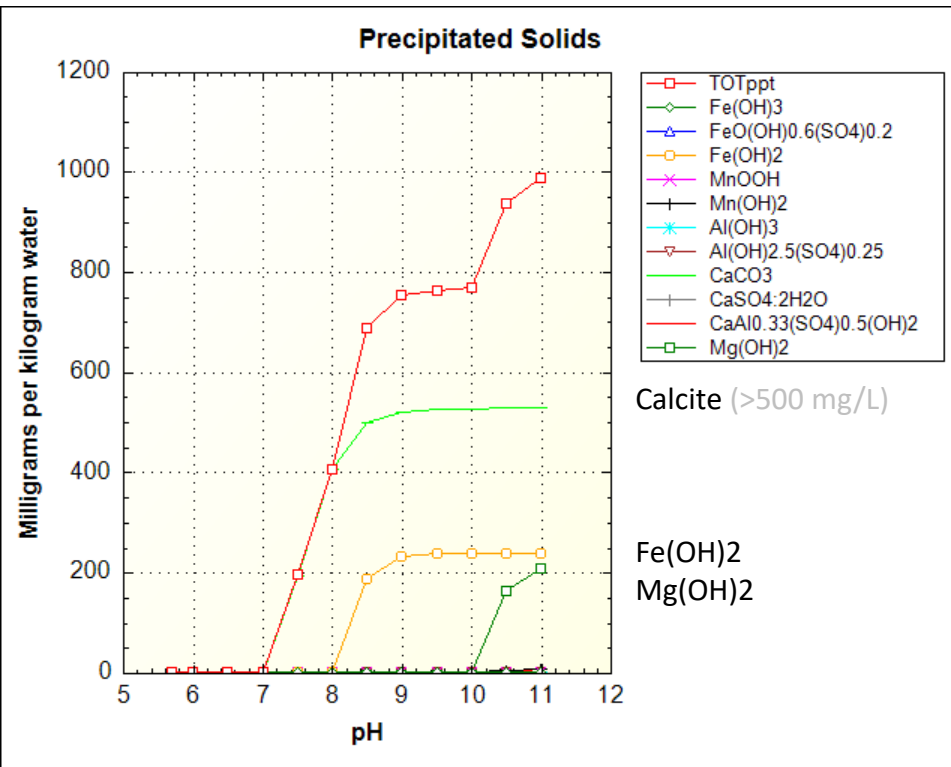


Caustic Titration with Pre-Aeration (Decarbonation)

St. Michael: pre-aeration decreases CO_2 acidity, caustic usage, and sludge

CausticTitration.exe: **Not aerated** (Graph4)

CausticTitration.exe: **Pre-aerated** (Graph4)



pH ≥ 8.5: Calcite > 500 mg/L
 pH ≥ 10.5: Mg(OH)₂ > 100 mg/L

pH ≥ 8.5: Calcite < 200 mg/L
 pH ≥ 10.5: Mg(OH)₂ > 100 mg/L

Automatic scale change for Y axis

PHREEQC-N-AMDTreat: Parallel & Sequential Models

Kinetics Constants, Adjustment Factors

Kinetics (adjustment factor applied to all steps)

factr.kCO2	1	factr.kO2	2.1	EXPcc	0.67
factr.kFeHOM	1	factr.kFeHET	1	factr.kFeNO3	0.25
factr.kFeH2O2	1	factr.kbact	1	factr.kFeII MnOx	1
factr.kMnHOM	1	factr.kMnHFO	1	factr.kMnHMO	0.5
factr.kSHFO	1	factr.kSOC	100	factr.kDOC	1
SI_CaCO3	0.3	SI_Al(OH)3	0.0	SI_Fe(OH)3	0.0
SI_FeCO3,MnCO3	2.5	SI_Basaluminite	3.0	SI_Schwertmannite	1.0

Outgassing/Ingassing (CO₂/O₂)

Iron Oxidation
(homogenous+heterogeneous
abiotic + microbial)

Manganese Oxidation

Organic Carbon Oxidation

Solids Precipitation
(saturation index/equilibrium)

Caustic can be added at steps 1 - 5

If adding caustic at step 1, 2, 3, 4, and/or 5: choose caustic agent, activate relevant +Caustic checkbox(es) and enter target pH value for the step(s)

CaO Ca(OH)₂ Na₂CO₃ NaOH 20 wt% soln

H₂O₂ estimate, stoichiometric FeII oxidation

Estimate H2O2.mol/L 0.000177
1.52E-05 35wt% 1.44E-05 50wt%

System variables: Duration Temp Peroxide Aeration Limestone/Compost Sorbent Mass/Composition (for each step)

Step	+Caustic?→pH?	Time.hrs	Temp2.C	H2O2.mol	kLaCO2.1/s	Lg(PCO2.atm)	SAcc.cm2/mol	M/M0cc	SOC.mol	HMeO.mg	Fe%	Mn%	Al%	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	6	15.1	0	0.00066	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aer3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2:	Caustic Addition:		H₂O₂:		Outgassing & Ingassing:		Limestone / Organic Carbon:			Sorbent (recirculated solids):				Aer2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3:	Steps 1 - 5						Surface area (SAcc.cm2/mol)			Mass total Fe+Mn+Al (HMeO.mg)				Aer1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4:					Rate (kLaCO2.1/s)		Mass available (M/M0cc)			Composition (%) Fe, Mn, and Al				Aer0
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<input type="checkbox"/> 6:	Specify target pH				factr.kO2		calcite saturation limit (SI_CaCO3)							NULL
<input type="checkbox"/> 7:					steady-state logPCO2		Organic carbon mass available (SOC.mol)							NULL
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<input type="checkbox"/> 10:							factr.kDOC (dissolved organic carbon)							NULL
<input type="checkbox"/> 11:		0	15.1	0	0	-3.4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	NULL

Generate Kinetics Output

Print PHREEQC Output Report

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: "ParallelTreatment.exe"

Oak Hill Boreholes (June-July 2013)

Select folder for input/output water-quality
 Select Workspace C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMDTreat_geochem_data\WestBranch\OakHill_AerationExp

One or two initial solutions:
 Design flow (gpm) 4694 0
 Mix fraction 1 0
 Temp (C) 15.1 0.01
 SC (uS/cm) 1280 0
 DO (mg/L) 1.6 0.01
 pH 6.4 0
 Acidity (mg/L) 0 0
 Estimate NetAcidity -107.8 0
 Alk (mg/L) 150 0
 TIC (mg/L as C) 0 0
 Estimate TIC 63.5 0
 Fe (mg/L) 19.7 0
 Fe2 (mg/L) 19.7 0
 Estimate Fe2 0 0
 Al (mg/L) 0.056 0
 Mn (mg/L) 3.6 0
 SO4 (mg/L) 400 0
 Cl (mg/L) 7.9 0
 Ca (mg/L) 79 0
 Mg (mg/L) 64 0
 Na (mg/L) 31.6 0
 K (mg/L) 1.74 0
 Si (mg/L) 5.72 0
 NO3N (mg/L) 0.1 0
 TDS (mg/L) 0 0
 DOC (mg/L as C) 0.1 0
 Humate (mg/L as C) 0.1 0

Kinetics Constants, Adjustment Factors

factr.kCO2	1	factr.kO2	2.1	EXPcc	0.67
factr.kFeHOM	1	factr.kFeHET	1	factr.kFeNO3	0.25
factr.kFeH2O2	1	factr.kbact	1	factr.kFeIIIMnOx	1
factr.kMnHOM	1	factr.kMnHFO	1	factr.kMnHMO	0.5
factr.kSHFO	1	factr.kSOC	100	factr.kDOC	1
SI_CaCO3	0.3	SI_Al(OH)3	0.0	SI_Fe(OH)3	0.0
SI_FeCO3,MnCO3	2.5	SI_Basaluminite	3.0	SI_Schwertmannite	1.0

If adding caustic at step 1, 2, 3, 4, and/or 5: choose caustic agent, activate relevant +Caustic checkbox(es) and enter target pH value for the step(s)

CaO Ca(OH)2 Na2CO3 NaOH 20 wt% soln

Estimate H2O2.mol/L 0.000177
 1.52E-05 35wt% 1.44E-05 50wt%
 H2O2 wt% units gal/gal (memo, not used)

Step	+Caustic?-->pH?	Time.hrs	Temp2.C	H2O2.mol	kLaCO2.1/s	Lg(PCO2.atm)	SAcc.cm2/mol	M/M0cc	SOC.mo	HMeO.mg	Fe%	Mn%	Al%	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	6	15.1	0	0.00066	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aer3
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	6	15.1	0	0.00010	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aer1
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	6	15.1	0.00018	0.000005	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	H2O2
<input type="checkbox"/> 6:		0	15.1	0	0	-3.4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	NULL
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Plot Dis. Metals Plot Ca, Acidity Plot Sat Index Plot PPT Solids

ParallelTreatment.exe created by C.A. Cravotta III, U.S. Geological Survey, Version 1.4.5, August 2021

Kinetic parameters use "literature values" with multiplication factors for adjustment.

Parallel: independent steps use same influent water quality.

Variable retention times, temperature, CO₂ outgassing, limestone surface area, organic carbon, sorbent mass and composition; H₂O₂, caustic, adjustable rate "factors".

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: Parallel Model

Effects of
 O_2 Ingassing and CO_2 Outgassing on
pH and Fe^{II} Oxidation Rates

Batch Aeration Tests
at Oak Hill Boreholes
(summer 2013, 6-hour duration)



Control Not Aerated



Aerated



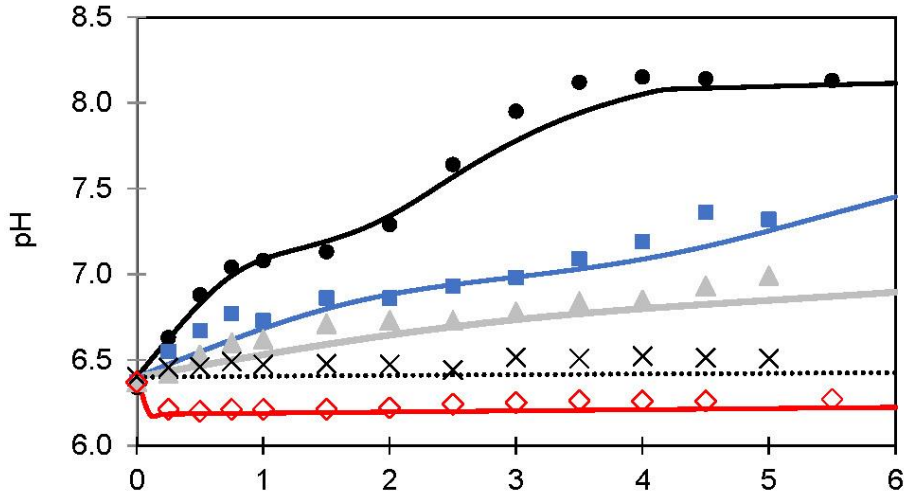
H_2O_2 Addition

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: Parallel Model

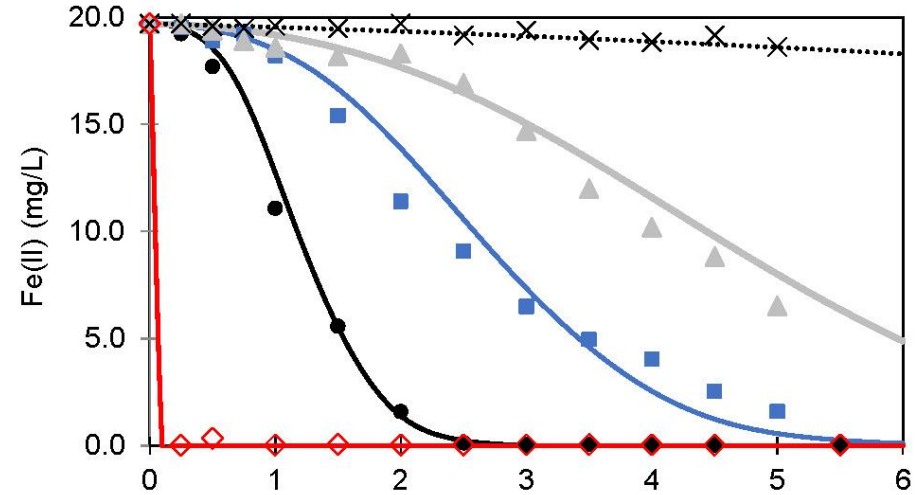
Batch Aeration Tests at Oak Hill Boreholes

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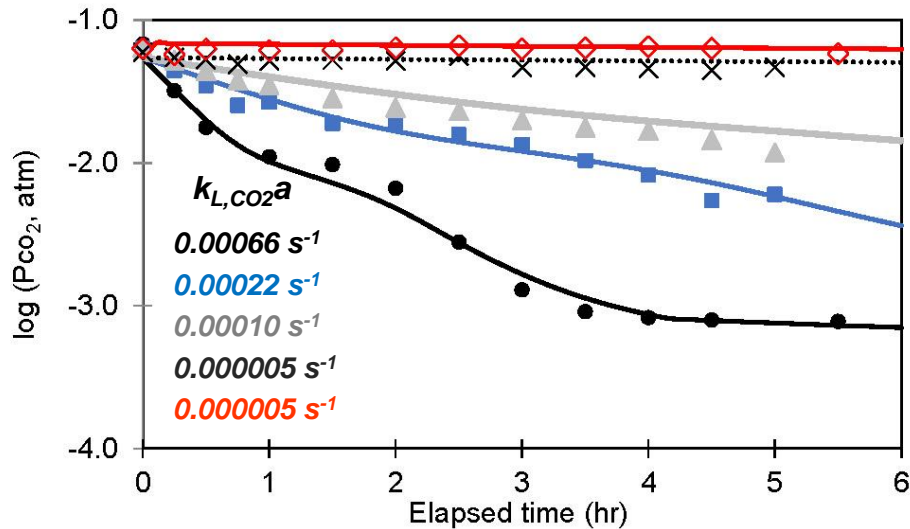
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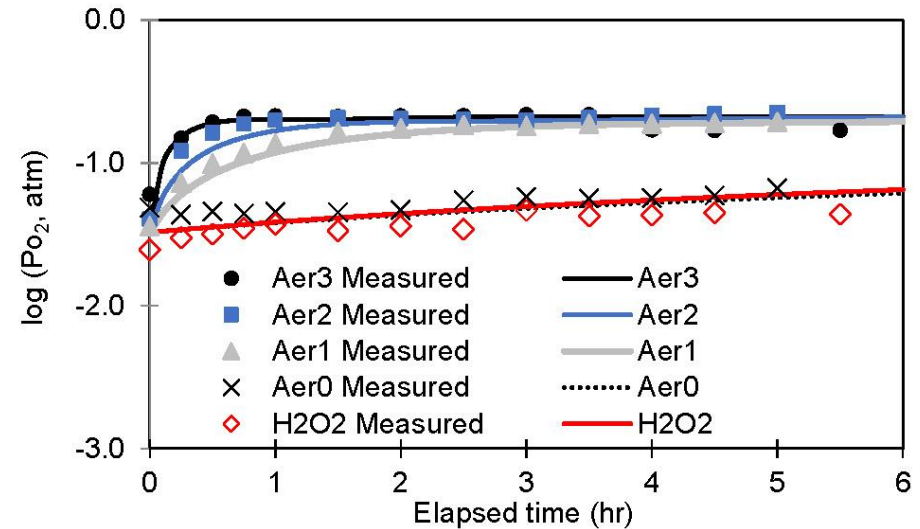
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Carbon Dioxide (Outgassing)



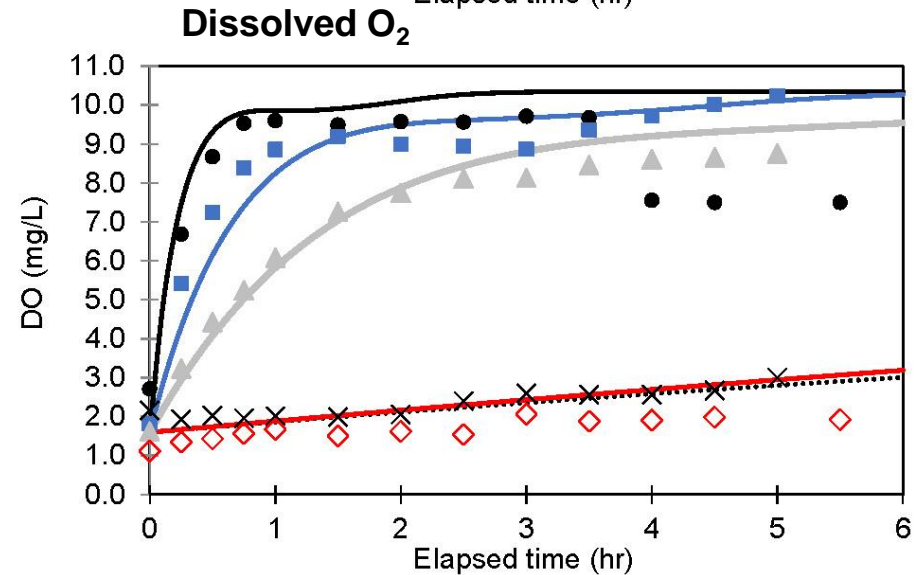
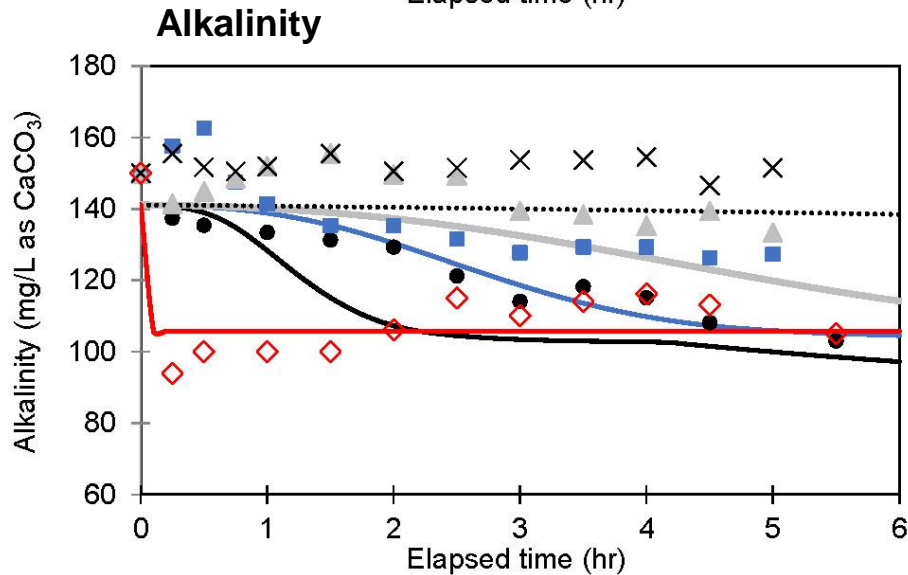
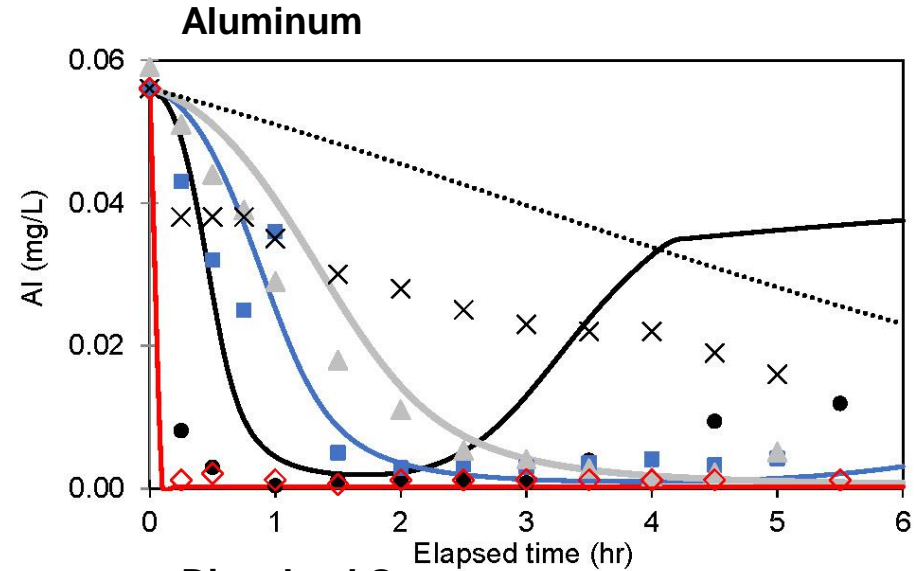
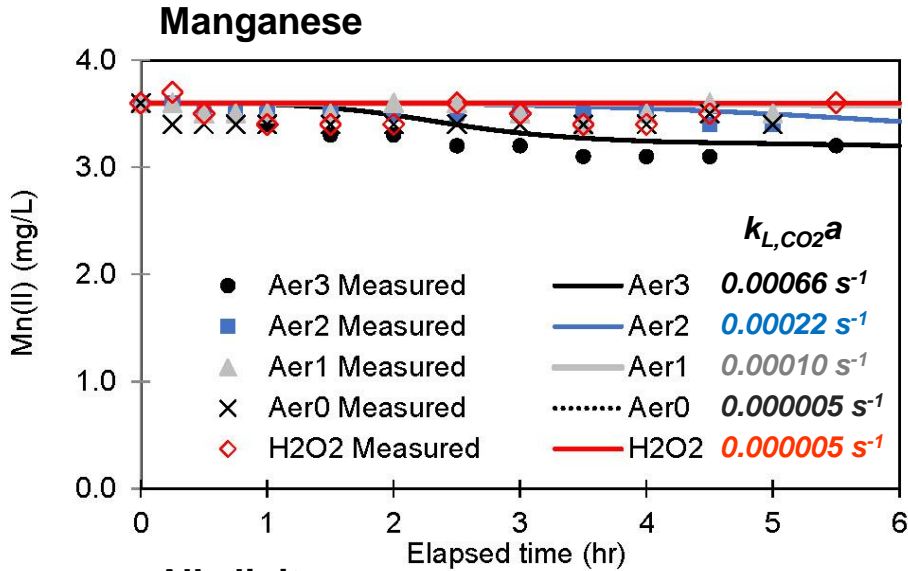
Oxygen (Ingassing)



PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: Parallel Model

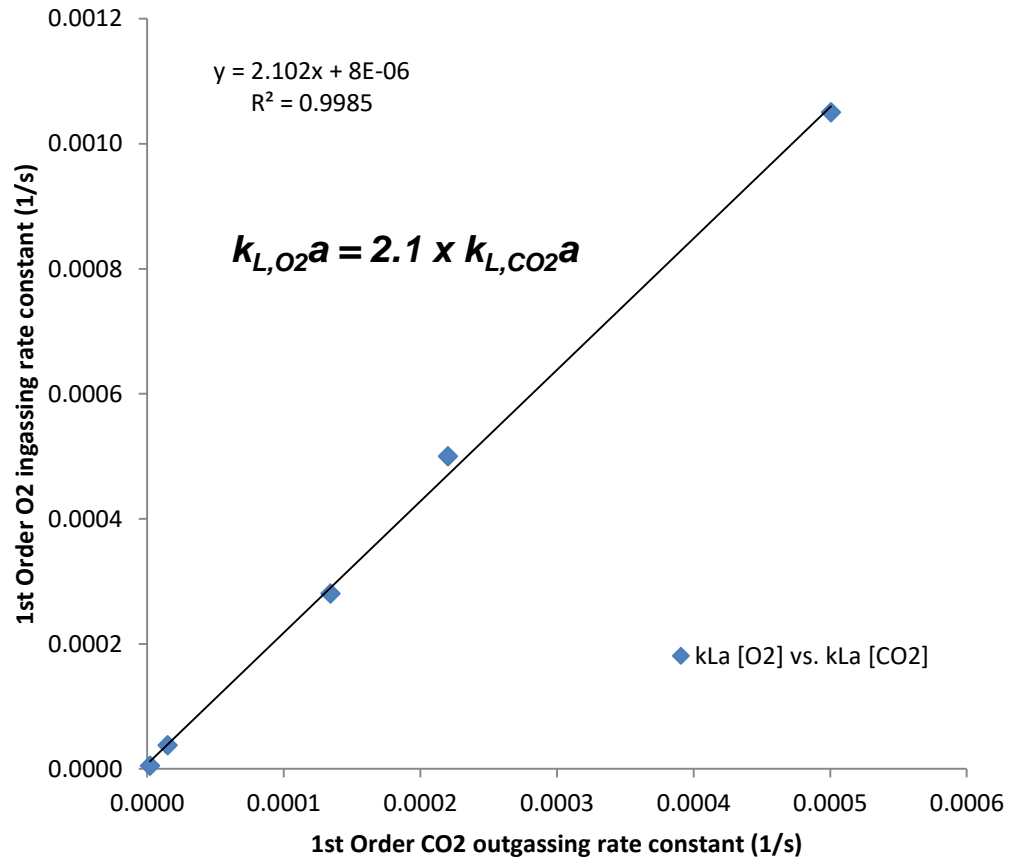
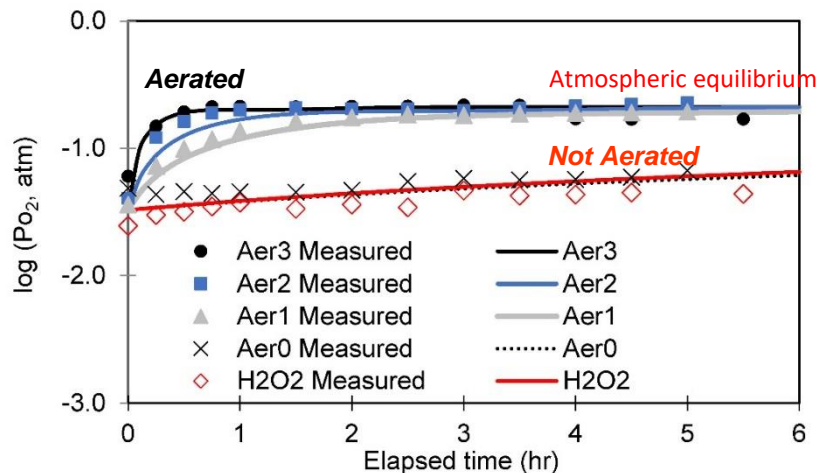
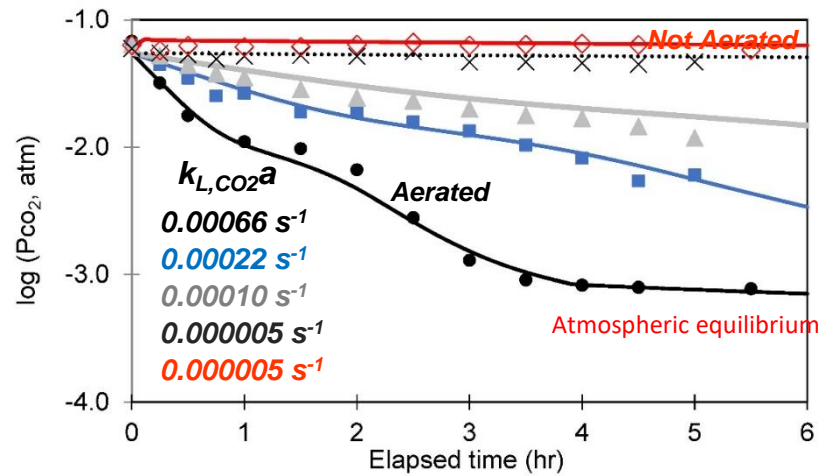
Batch Aeration Tests at Oak Hill Boreholes

ParallelTreatment.exe:



CO₂ Outgassing is Proportional to O₂ Ingassing (model specifies first-order rates for out/in gassing)

$-d[C]/dt = k_{L,C}a \cdot ([C] - [C]_s)$ exponential, asymptotic approach to steady state



CO₂ Outgassing & O₂ Ingassing Rate Constants Estimated for Various Treatment Technologies

Table S2. Typical empirical values of rate constants for CO₂ outgassing and O₂ ingassing

Site	Temperature (°C)	CO ₂ Outgas		O ₂ Ingas	
		k _{L,CO2a}		k _{L,O2a}	
		(s ⁻¹)	log(s ⁻¹)	(s ⁻¹)	log(s ⁻¹)
Treatment Systems					
Maelstrom (Sykesville, Trent, St.Michaels)	20 Fast	0.03	-1.52	0.063	-1.20
Surface Aerator (Renton, other)	20	0.001	-3.00	0.0021	-2.68
Mechanical Aerator (Lancashire)	20	0.0006	-3.22	0.00126	-2.90
Aeration Cascade/Level Spreader (Silver Cr)	20	0.01	-2.00	0.021	-1.68
Rip-rap Spillway/Ditch (Silver Cr, Pine Forest,	20	0.005	-2.30	0.0105	-1.98
Pond (Silver Cr, Pine Forest, Lion Mining, Flight93)	20	0.00001	-5.00	0.000021	-4.68
Wetland (Silver Cr, Pine Forest, Lion Mining)	20	0.00001	-5.00	0.000021	-4.68
Anoxic limestone drain (Pine Forest)	20 Slow	0.000001	-6.00	0.0000021	-5.68
Oak Hill Aeration Expts.					
Aer3	20 Fast	0.00066	-3.18	0.00139	-2.86
Aer2	20	0.00022	-3.66	0.00046	-3.34
Aer1	20	0.00010	-4.00	0.00021	-3.68
Aer0	20 Slow	0.000005	-5.30	0.000011	-4.98

*Gas mass-transfer rate corrected to 20°C per Rathbun (1998, Eq. 56) using the expression:

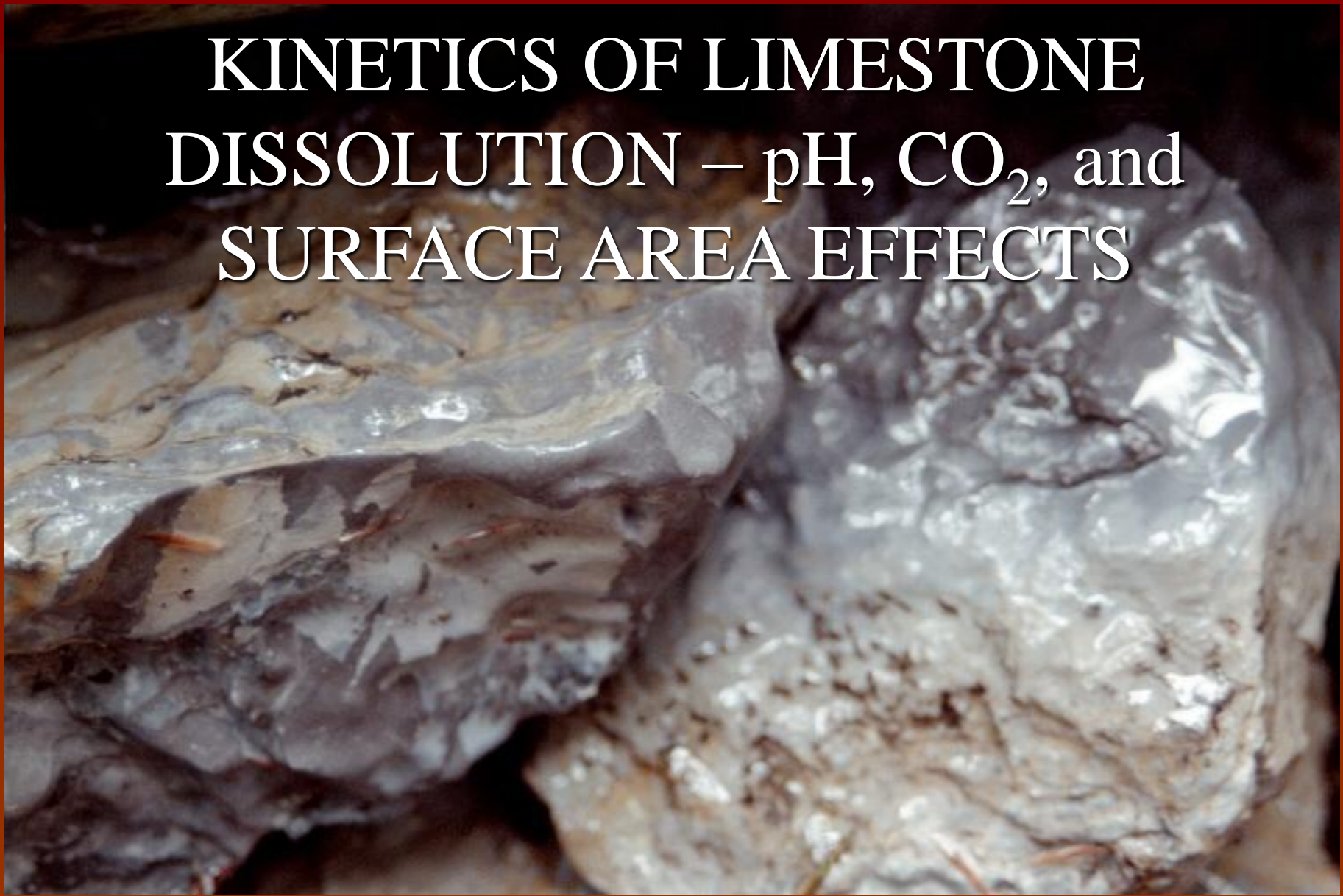
$$k_{L,a_20} = k_{L,a_TC} / (1.0241^{(TC-20)})$$

$$k_{L,a_TC} = k_{L,a_20} * (1.0241^{(TC-20)})$$



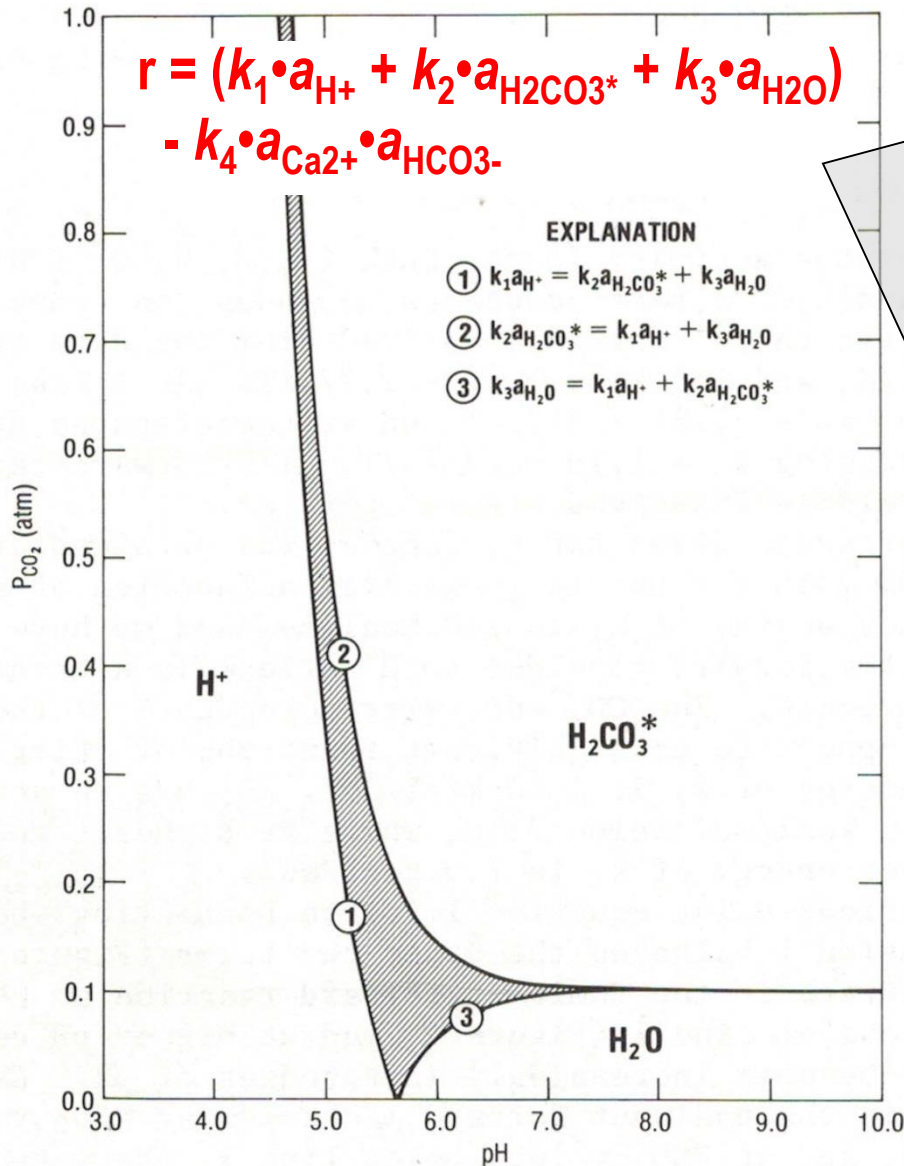
$k_{L,a_20} = (\text{LN}((C_1 - C_s)/(C_2 - C_s)))/t / (1.0241^{(\text{TEMP}_{PC} - 20)})$, where C is CO₂ or O₂.
Dissolved O₂, temperature, and pH were measured using submersible electrodes.
Dissolved CO₂ was computed from alkalinity, pH, and temperature data.

KINETICS OF LIMESTONE DISSOLUTION – pH, CO₂, and SURFACE AREA EFFECTS



Limestone Dissolution Rate Model for AMD Treat

("PWP" model emphasizes pH and CO₂)



According to Plummer, Wigley, and Parkhurst (1978), the rate of CaCO₃ dissolution is a function of three forward (dissolution) reactions:



and the backward (precipitation) reaction:



Although H⁺, H₂CO₃^{*}, and H₂O reaction with calcite occur simultaneously, the forward rate is dominated by a single species in the fields shown. More than one species contributes significantly to the forward rate in the gray stippled area. Along the lines labeled 1, 2, and 3, the forward rate attributable to one species balances that of the other two.

Limestone Dissolution Rate Model for AMDTreat (surface area correction for coarse aggregate)

Surface area for various coarse aggregates (bold indicates sizes commonly used in limestone beds; 2NS used in cubitainers).

Gradation Number		Weight (g) Average Particle	Particle Dimensions (cm)				Particle Surface Area (cm ²)			Unit Surface Area (cm ² /g)		
AASHTO	PA		Long Axis	Inter-mediate	Short Axis	Average Axis	Rectan-gular Prism	Sphere	Ellipsoid	Rectan-gular Prism	Sphere	Ellipsoid
R-5		22160.145	45.72	22.86	13.34	27.31	3919.35	2342.26	2862.08	0.18	0.11	0.13
R-4		7113.133	30.48	16.51	8.89	18.63	1841.93	1089.98	1319.11	0.26	0.15	0.19
R-3		1185.522	16.51	8.89	5.08	10.16	551.61	324.29	395.61	0.47	0.27	0.33
1	4	341.978	8.89	6.35	3.81	6.35	229.03	126.68	155.24	0.67	0.37	0.45
3	3A	78.166	5.08	3.81	2.54	3.81	83.87	45.60	56.39	1.07	0.58	0.72
5		9.771	2.54	1.91	1.27	1.91	20.97	11.40	14.10	2.15	1.17	1.44
57	2B	3.257	2.54	1.27	0.635	1.48	11.29	6.90	8.25	3.47	2.12	2.53
	2NS	9.771	2.54	1.91	1.27	1.91	20.97	11.40	14.10	2.15	1.17	1.44
67	2	1.832	1.91	0.95	0.635	1.16	7.26	4.26	5.28	3.96	2.32	2.88
	1NS	1.221	1.27	0.95	0.635	0.95	5.24	2.85	3.52	4.29	2.33	2.89
7		1.221	1.27	0.95	0.635	0.95	5.24	2.85	3.52	4.29	2.33	2.89
8		0.382	0.95	0.79	0.3175	0.69	2.62	1.49	1.70	6.87	3.90	4.44
	1B	0.382	0.95	0.79	0.3175	0.69	2.62	1.49	1.70	6.87	3.90	4.44

Particle dimensions were estimated on the basis of ranges for graded materials reported in Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, 2000, Erosion and sediment pollution control program manual: Harrisburg, Pennsylvania Dept. Environmental Protection Bureau of Watershed Management, Document No. 363-2134-008, 180 p. (tables 9 and 10A).

Plummer, Wigley, and Parkhurst (1978) reported unit surface area (SA) of 44.5 and 96.5 cm²/g for “coarse” and “fine” particles, respectively, used for empirical testing and development of PWP rate model. These SA values are 100 times larger than those for typical limestone aggregate. Multiply cm²/g by 100 g/mol to get surface area (A) units of cm²/mol used in AMDTreat rate model.

Surface area computed for various geometric forms:

Sphere: $4\pi(\text{Average of Axes}/2)^2$

Rectangular Prism: $2(\text{Long Axis} \times \text{Short Axis}) + 2(\text{Long Axis} \times \text{Intermediate Axis}) + 2(\text{Short Axis} \times \text{Intermediate Axis})$

Ellipsoid: $(\pi D^2)/S$, where $D = 2(\text{vol}/(4/3\pi))^{1/3}$ $S = 1.15 - 0.25E$ $E = \text{Long Axis}/D$

Volume computed for same geometric forms:

Sphere: $4/3\pi(\text{Average Axis}/2)^3$

Rectangular Prism: $(\text{Long Axis} \times \text{Short Axis} \times \text{Intermediate Axis})$

Ellipsoid: $4/3\pi(\text{Long Axis}/2 \times \text{Short Axis}/2 \times \text{Intermediate Axis}/2)$

For ellipsoid sphere, this reduces to $0.5236 \times \text{Long Axis} \times \text{Short Axis} \times \text{Intermediate Axis}$

Santomartino and Webb (2007, AG, 22:2344–2361) estimated volume of ellipsoid as $0.6 \times \text{volume of rectangular prism of same dimensions}$.

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat "TreatTrainMix2.exe":

Select folder for input/output water-quality

TreatTrainMix2.exe Sequential Model of Successive Treatment Steps (1-11)

Select Workspace: C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMDTreat_geochem_data\WestBranch\OAK+PKN

One or two initial solutions:

	Soln#A	Soln#B
Design flow (gpm)	2830	8976
Mix fraction	0.24	0.76
Temp (C)	14.7	10.9
SC (uS/cm)	1000	570
DO (mg/L)	2	9.9
pH	6.3	6.4
Acidity (mg/L)	-111	-20
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate NetAcidity	-110.6	-19.9
Alk (mg/L)	150	34
TIC (mg/L as C)	0	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate TIC	73.3	15.7
Fe (mg/L)	18	5.15
Fe2 (mg/L)	18	5.15
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimate Fe2	0	0
Al (mg/L)	0.06	0.07
Mn (mg/L)	3.7	2.45
SO4 (mg/L)	390	240
Cl (mg/L)	8.8	17.5
Ca (mg/L)	99	40.5
Mg (mg/L)	55	42
Na (mg/L)	32	10
K (mg/L)	1.74	1.77
Si (mg/L)	5.72	5.72
NO3N (mg/L)	0.1	0.1
TDS (mg/L)	0	0
DOC (mg/L as C)	0.1	0
Humate (mg/L as C)	0.1	0

Kinetics Constants, Adjustment Factors

factr.kCO2	1	factr.kO2	2.1	EXPcc	0.67
factr.kFeHOM	1	factr.kFeHET	1	factr.kFeNO3	0.25
factr.kFeH2O2	1	factr.kbact	1	factr.kFeII MnOx	1
factr.kMnHOM	1	factr.kMnHFO	1	factr.kMnHMO	0.5
factr.kSHFO	1	factr.kSOC	100	factr.kDOC	1
SI_Fe(OH)3	0.0	SI_Al(OH)3	0.0	SI_CaCO3	0.3
SI_Schwertmannite	1.0	SI_Basaluminite	3.0	SI_FeCO3,MnCO3	2.5

Kinetic parameters use "literature values" with multiplication factors for adjustment.

Solids Precipitation (SI=0 is equilibrium)

Option to add specified caustic agent to adjust pH at beginning of steps 1-5:

If adding caustic at step 1, 2, 3, 4, and/or 5: choose caustic agent, activate relevant +Caustic checkbox(es) and enter target pH value for the step(s)

CaO
 Ca(OH)2
 Na2CO3
 NaOH
 20 wt% soln

Estimate H2O2.mol/L 7.4E-05
 6.4E-06 35wt% 6E-06 50wt%
 H2O2 wt% units gal/gal (memo, not used)

Step	+Caustic?->pH?	Time.hrs	Temp.2C	H2O2.mol	kLaCO2.1/s	Lg(PCO2.atm)	SAcc.cm2/mol	M/M0cc	SOC.mol	HMeO.mg	Fe%	Mn%	Al%	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	0.25	14.7	0	0.000005	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Sedimentation pond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	0.05	14.7	0.000074	0.005	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	H2O2+Mixing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	4	15.1	0	0.000005	-3.4	0	1	0	3	99.8	0.1	0.1	Oxidation/settling pond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	0.01667	15.1	0	0.005	-3.4	33	1	R-3	2	99.8	0.1	0.1	Aeration riprap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	1	15.5	0	0.000005	-3.4	144	0.1	AASH DO#5	2	95	5	0	Aerobic wetland
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6:		0.0333	15.5	0	0.005	-3.4	33	1	R-3	2	95	5	0	Aeration riprap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7:		0.5	16	0	0.0005	-3.4	72	1	AASH DO#3	20	10	90	0	Mn removal bed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8:		0.01667	17	0	0.005	-3.4	33	1	R-3	1	100	0	0	Ditch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9:														
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10:														
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11:														

Sequential. Variable retention times, temperature, H₂O₂, caustic, CO₂ outgassing, limestone surface area, organic carbon, sorbent, plus adjustable rates.

Plot Dis. Metals
 Plot Ca. Acidity
 Plot Sat Index
 Plot PPT Solids

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PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: TreatTrainMix2 Model Pine Forest ALD* + Pond + Aerobic Wetlands



<u>Step</u>	<u>Treatment</u>
0	Untreated
1	ALD
2	Riprap
3	Pond
4	Riprap
5	Wetland
6	Cascade
7	Wetland
8	Cascade
9	Wetland
10	Riprap
11	NULL

*Flushable ALD, Biofouled

PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: TreatTrainMix2 Model

TreatTrainMix2.exe: Passive treatment

Biofouled ALD+Aerobic Pond+Wetlands
Pine Forest (151212)

select Workspace C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMDTreat_geochem_data\MillCreek\PineForestLowerTreatment

	Soln#A	Soln#B
Design flow (gpm)	690	0
Mix fraction	1	0
Temp (C)	11.63	0.01
SC (uS/cm)	700	0
DO (mg/L)	0.4	0.01
pH	5.79	0
Acidity (mg/L)	0	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate NetAcidity	-1.7	0
Alk (mg/L)	33	0
TIC (mg/L as C)	0	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate TIC	39.2	0
Fe (mg/L)	14	0
Fe2 (mg/L)	14	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimate Fe2	0	0
Al (mg/L)	0.09	0
Mn (mg/L)	3.1	0
SO4 (mg/L)	330	0
Cl (mg/L)	4	0
Ca (mg/L)	56	0
Mg (mg/L)	51	0
Na (mg/L)	7.4	0
K (mg/L)	0.54	0
Si (mg/L)	5.4	0
NO3N (mg/L)	1.5	0
TDS (mg/L)	450	0
DOC (mg/L as C)	3.67	0
Humate (mg/L as C)	0.67	0

kinetics Constants, Adjustment Factors

factr.kCO2	1	factr.kO2	2.1	EXPcc	0.67
factr.kFeHOM	1	factr.kFeHET	1	factr.kFeNO3	0.25
factr.kFeH2O2	1	factr.kbact	2	factr.kFeIIMnOx	1
factr.kMnHOM	1	factr.kMnHFO	1	factr.kMnHMO	0.5
factr.kSHFO	1	factr.kSOC	100	factr.kDOC	5
SI_Fe(OH)3	0.0	SI_Al(OH)3	0.0	SI_CaCO3	0.3
SI_Schwertmannite	1.0	SI_Basaluminite	3.0	SI_FeCO3,MnCO3	2.5

If adding caustic at step 1, 2, 3, 4, and/or 5: choose caustic agent, activate relevant +Caustic checkbox(es) and enter target pH value for the step(s)

CaO Ca(OH)2 Na2CO3 NaOH 20 wt% soln

Estimate H2O2.mol/L 0.000126
1.08E-05 35wt% 1.02E-05 50wt%
H2O2 wt% units gal/gal (memo, not used)

Step	+Caustic?-->pH?	Time hrs	Temp.2.C	H2O2.mol	kLaCO2.1/s	Lg(PCO2.atm)	SAcc.cm2/mol	M/M0cc	SOC.mol	HMeO.mg	Fe%	Mn%	Al%	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	4	11.63	0	0.00001	-3.4	72	1	0	116	99	0.1	0.9	ALD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	0.0083	11.6	0	0.02	-3.4	33	1	0	1	95	5	0	Aeration riprap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	13	12.16	0	0.00002	-3.4	0	1	0	3	95	5	0	Oxidation/settling pond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	0.0028	12.16	0	0.005	-3.4	0	1	0	1	95	5	0	Aeration cascade
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	8	12.15	0	0.00005	-3.4	0	1	0.1	3	60	40	0	Aerobic wetland
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6:		0.0028	12.15	0	0.005	-3.4	0	1	0	1	60	40	0	Aeration riprap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7:		6.1	12.04	0	0.00005	-3.4	0	1	0.1	2	40	60	0	Aerobic wetland
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8:		0.0028	12.04	0	0.005	-3.4	0	1	0	1	40	60	0	Aeration riprap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9:		1.1	11.88	0	0.00001	-3.4	0	1	0.1	2	20	80	0	Aerobic wetland
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10:		0.0042	11.88	0	0.005	-3.4	0	1	0	1	20	80	0	Aeration riprap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11:		0	11.88	0	0	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	NULL

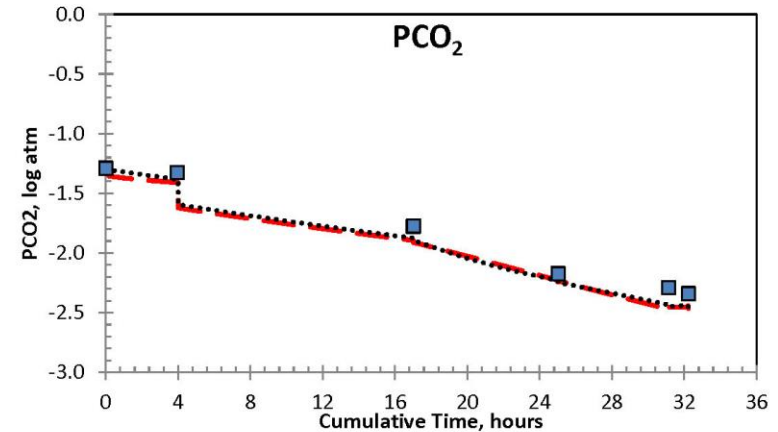
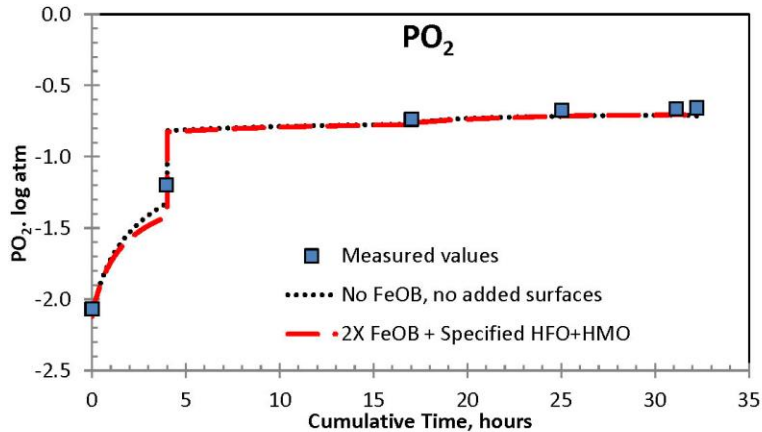
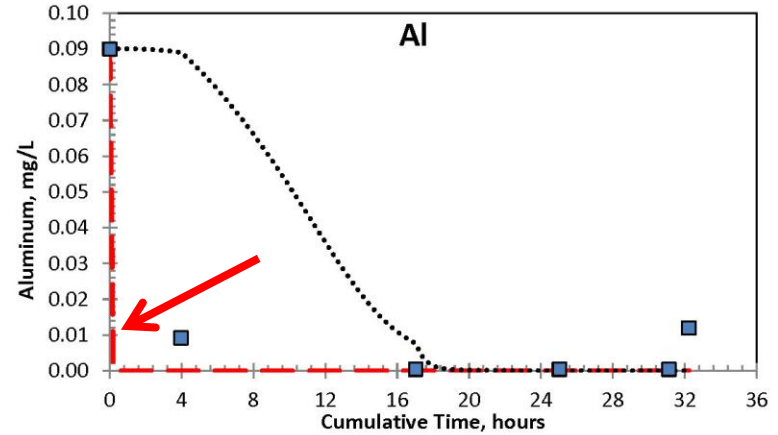
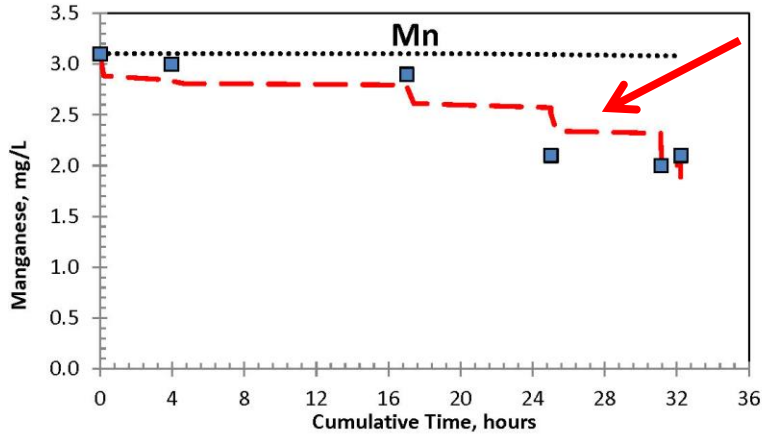
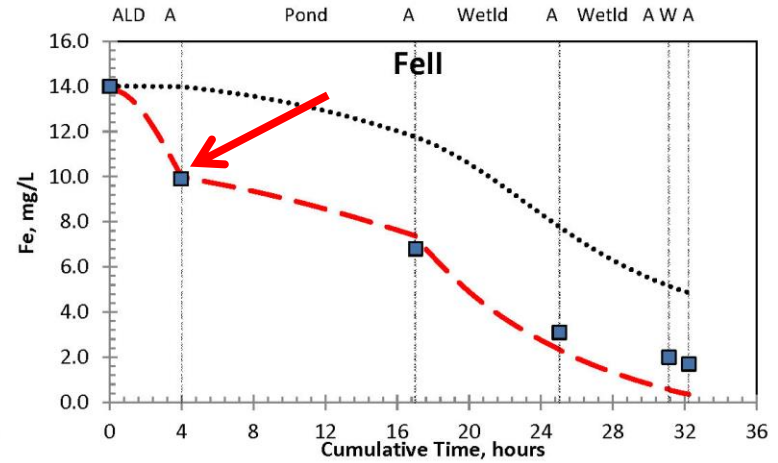
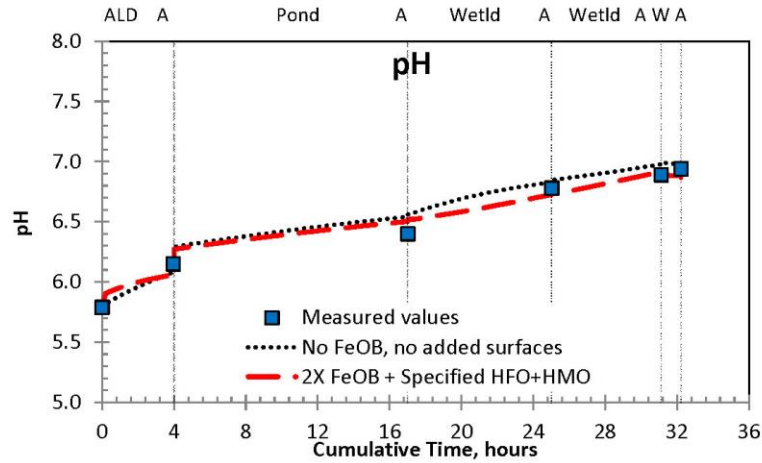
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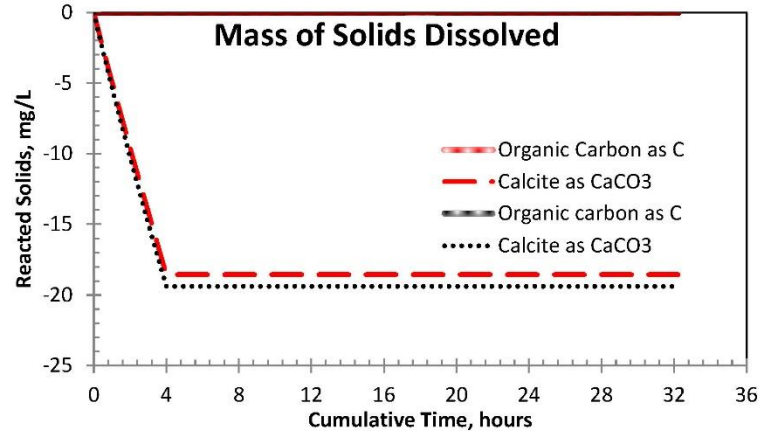
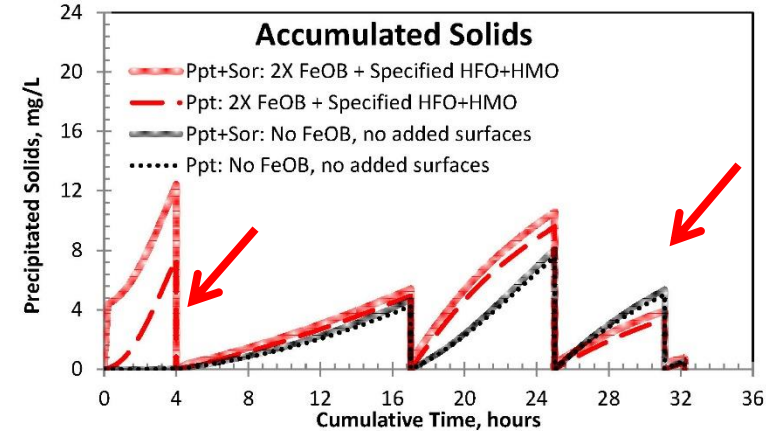
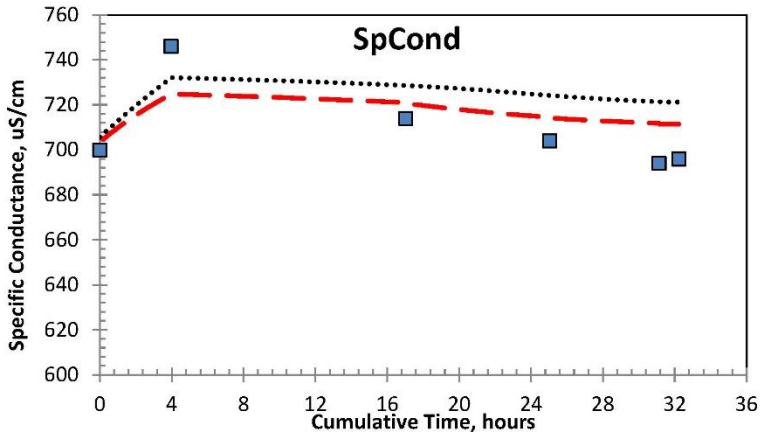
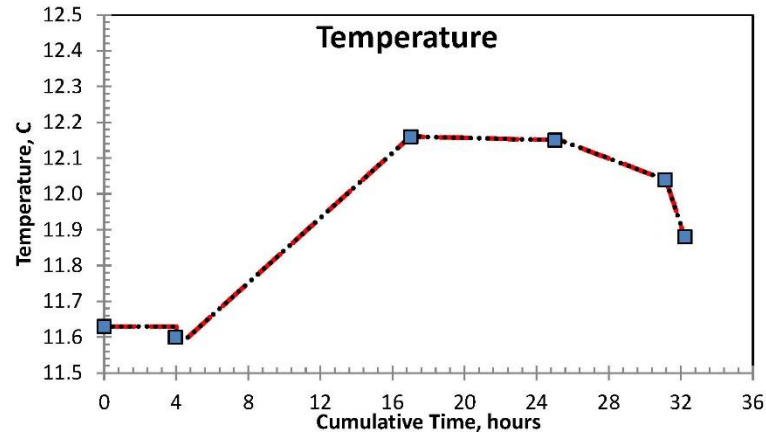
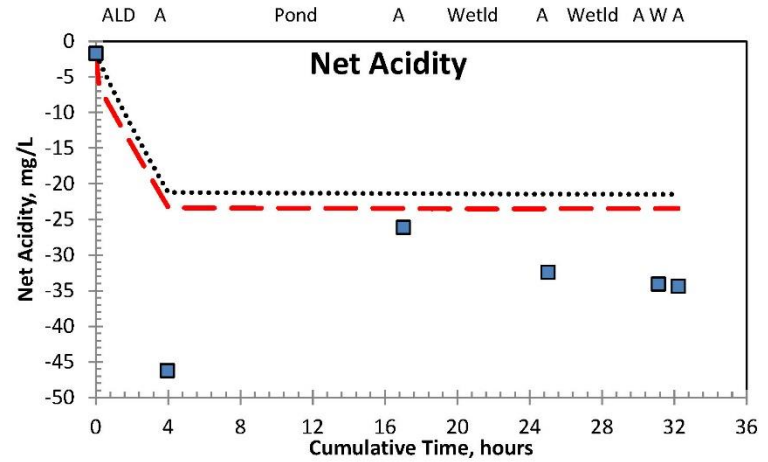
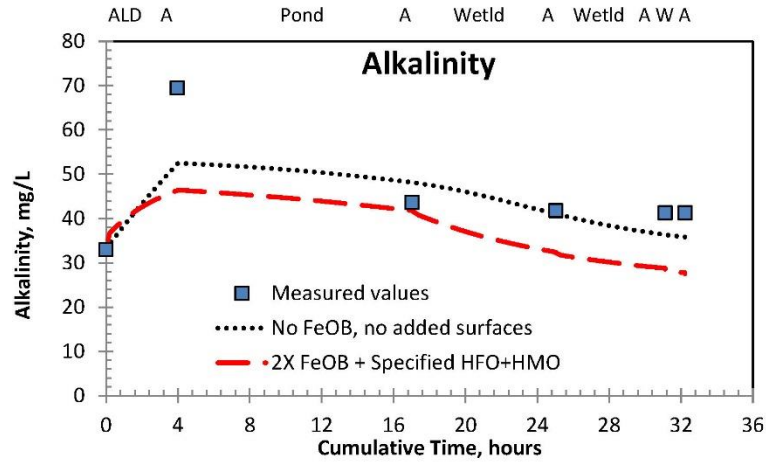
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Variable retention times, temperature, (caustic, H₂O₂,) CO₂ outgassing/ingassing, limestone surface area, organic carbon, sorbent, plus adjustable rates.

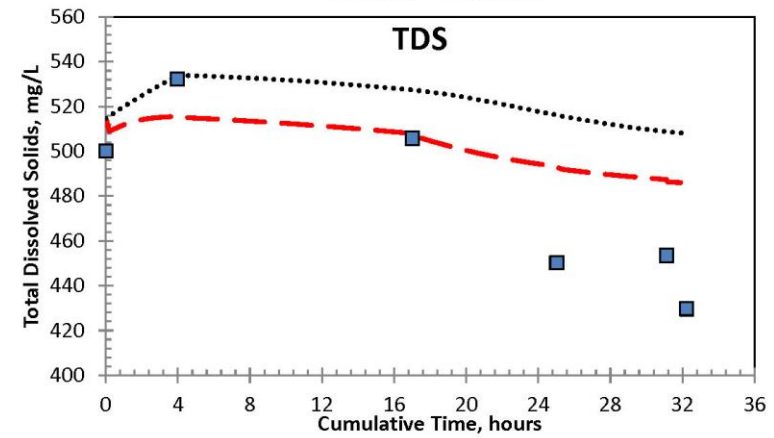
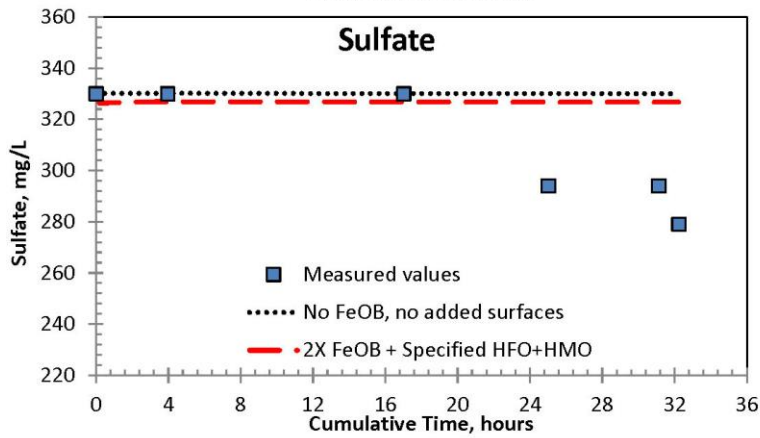
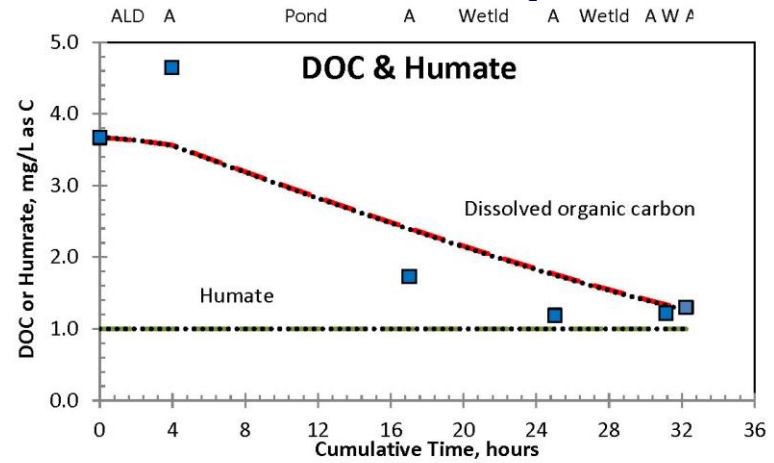
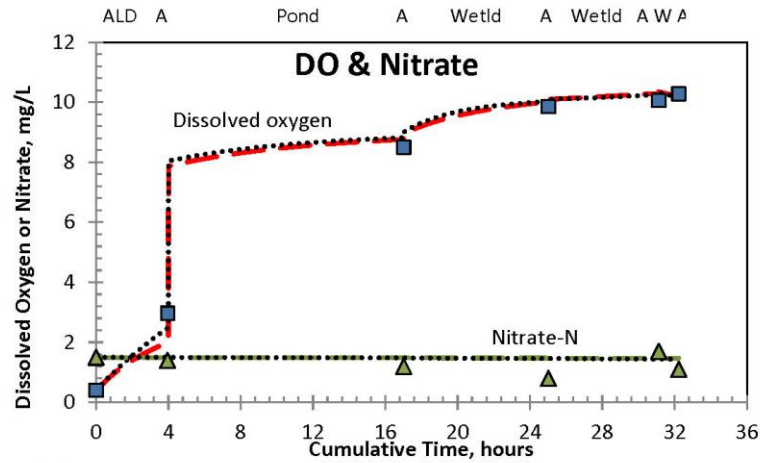
Pine Forest ALD + Aerobic Wetlands (151212)



Pine Forest ALD + Aerobic Wetlands (151212)



Pine Forest ALD + Aerobic Wetlands (151212)



Pre-Aeration, Lime Dosing, Solids Recirculation

TreatTrainMix2.exe: Active treatment

St. Michael AMD:
net acidic with
high Fe & CO₂
moderate Mn

Select Workspace: C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMDTreatTrainREYs_wateq\StMichael

Soln#A	Soln#B
Design flow (gpm)	5200
Mix fraction	1
Temp (C)	15.4
SC (uS/cm)	1923
DO (mg/L)	2.2
pH	5.7
Acidity (mg/L)	254.2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate NetAcidity	223
Alk (mg/L)	50.8
TIC (mg/L as C)	57.3
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimate TIC	63.5
Fe (mg/L)	148
Fe2 (mg/L)	148
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimate Fe2	0
Al (mg/L)	0.34
Mn (mg/L)	3.6
SO4 (mg/L)	1078
Cl (mg/L)	32.8
Ca (mg/L)	242
Mg (mg/L)	88.7
Na (mg/L)	27.8
K (mg/L)	9.15
Si (mg/L)	18.8
NO3N (mg/L)	0
TDS (mg/L)	0
DOC (mg/L as C)	0.1
Humate (mg/L as C)	0.1

Kinetics Constants, Adjustment Factors

factr.kCO2	1	factr.kO2	2.1	EXPcc	0.67
factr.kFeHOM	1	factr.kFeHET	1	factr.kFeNO3	0.25
factr.kFeH2O2	1	factr.kbact	1	factr.kFeIIIMnOx	1
factr.kMnHOM	1	factr.kMnHFO	1	factr.kMnHMO	0.5
factr.kSHFO	1	factr.kSOC	100	factr.kDOC	1
SI_Fe(OH)3	0.0	SI_Al(OH)3	0.0	SI_CaCO3	2.5
SI_Schwertmannite	1.0	SI_Basaluminite	3.0	SI_FeCO3,MnCO3	2.5

If adding caustic at step 1, 2, 3, 4, and/or 5: choose caustic agent, activate relevant +Caustic checkbox(es) and enter target pH value for the step(s)

CaO Ca(OH)2 Na2CO3 NaOH 20 wt% soln

Estimate H2O2.mol/L 0.001332

0.0001143 35wt% 0.0001082 50wt%
H2O2 wt% units gal/gal (memo, not used)

Step	+Caustic?->pH?	Time.hrs	Temp.2.C	H2O2.mol	kLaCO2.1/s	Lg(PCO2.atm)	SAcc.cm2/mol	M/M0cc	SOC.mo	HMeO.mg	Fe%	Mn%	Al%	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	0.015	16.1	0	0.05	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Maelstrom (54 sec)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8.5	0.015	16.1	0	0.0001	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Lime Fe(OH)2 ppt equil
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9.3	0.110	18.4	0	0.0001	-3.4	0	1	0	227.7	97.51	1.95	0.53	Lime+Solids Fe(OH)3 ppt
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8.5	0.110	18.4	0	0.0001	-3.4	0	1	0	0	97.51	1.95	0.53	Lime pH 8.4 effl to clarifier
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5:	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.5	14.20	18.9	0	0.0000001	-3.4	0	1	0	1.7	100	0	0	Clarifier 4.43 Mgal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6:		0.03	19.5	0	0.0005	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Outflow ditch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7:		0	19.5	0	0	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	NULL
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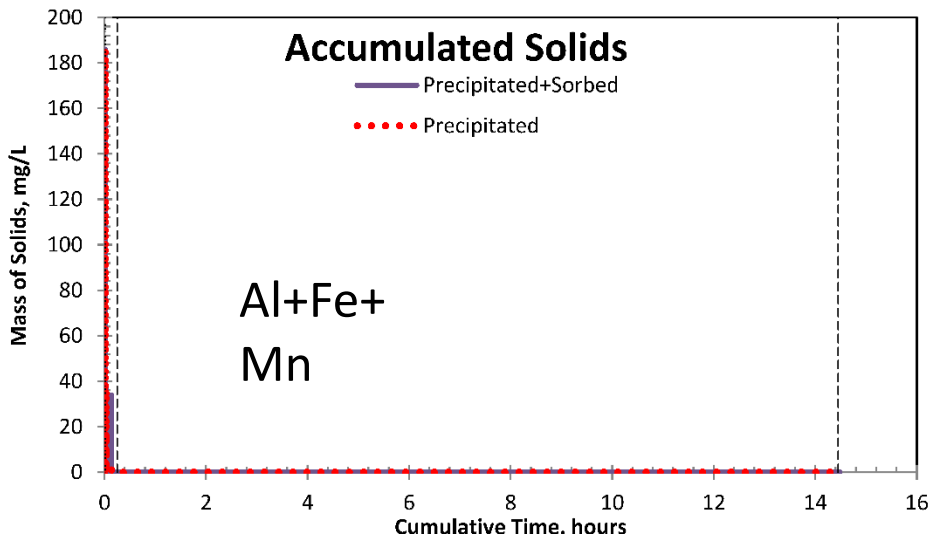
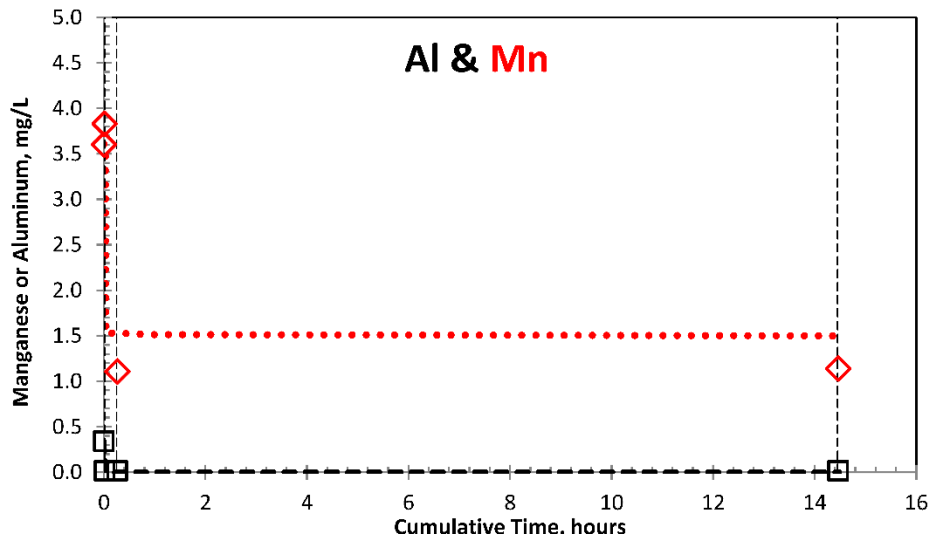
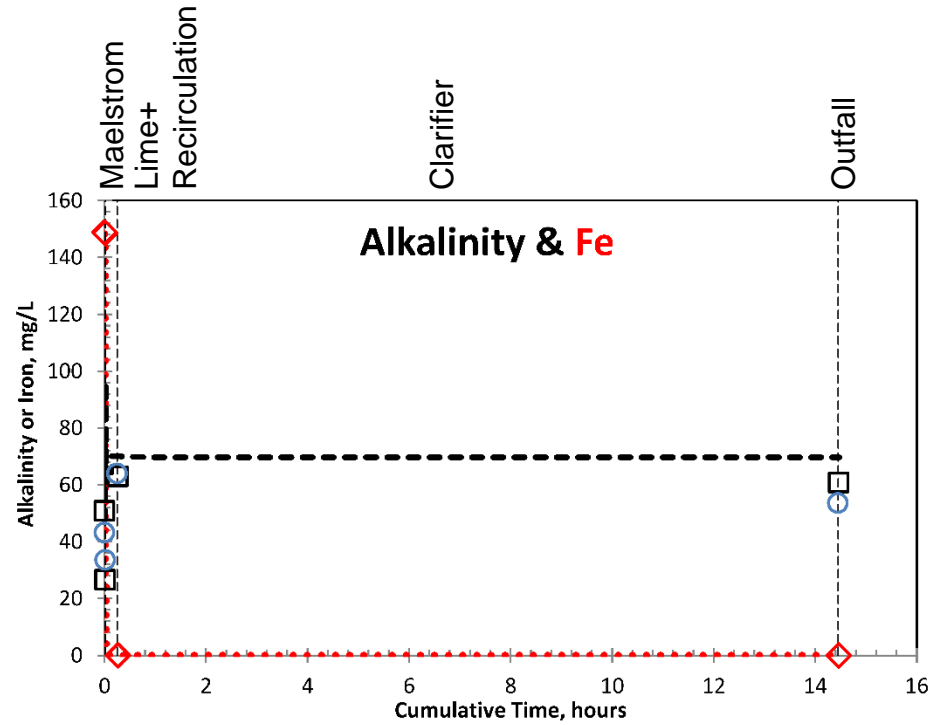
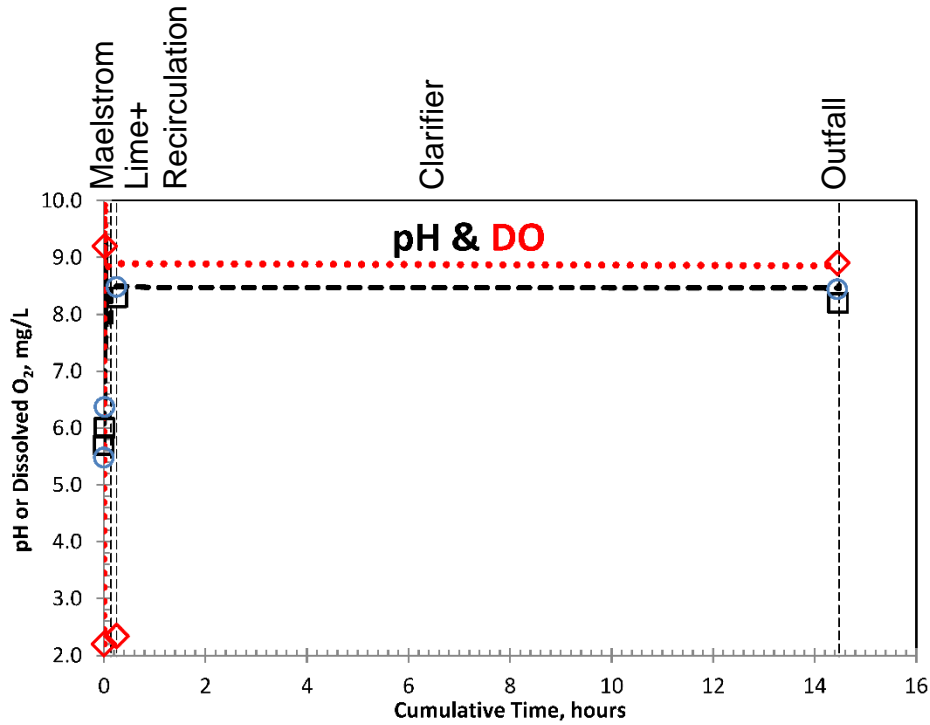
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UI for active treatment of net-acidic AMD through (1) Maelstrom oxidizer; (2-4) lime dosing and sludge recirculation; (5) clarifier; and (6) outflow ditch.

Pre-Aeration, Lime Dosing, Solids Recirculation St. Michael AMD, Cambria County, PA



PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat: TreatTrainMix2 Model Application

Hypothetical Passive Treatment Scenarios
for Howe Bridge Mine Discharge

"ALD" + Aerobic Ponds + "OLD" + Mn-Removal Bed

TreatTrainMix2.exe: Passive treatment

Howe Bridge, high Fe & Mn

select Workspace C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMD Treat Validation Simulations\HOWBRALD

	Soln#A	Soln#B	Kinetics Constants, Adjustment Factors					
Design flow (gpm)	16.1	0	factr.kCO2	1	factr.kO2	2.1	EXPcc	0.67
Mix fraction	1	0	factr.kFeHOM	1	factr.kFeHET	1	factr.kFeNO3	0.25
Temp (C)	11.3	0.01	factr.kFeH2O2	1	factr.kbact	1	factr.kFeIIIMnOx	1
SC (uS/cm)	1270	0	factr.kMnHOM	1	factr.kMnHFO	1	factr.kMnHMO	0.5
DO (mg/L)	1.12	0.01	factr.kSHFO	1	factr.kSOC	100	factr.kDOC	1
pH	5.88	0	SI_Fe(OH)3	0.0	SI_Al(OH)3	0.0	SI_CaCO3	0.3
Acidity (mg/L)	180	0	SI_Schwertmannite	1.0	SI_Basaluminite	1.0	SI_FeCO3,MnCO3	2.5
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate NetAcidity	210.5	0	If adding caustic at step 1, 2, 3, 4, and/or 5: choose caustic agent, activate relevant +Caustic checkbox(es) and enter target pH value for the step(s) <input type="radio"/> CaO <input checked="" type="radio"/> Ca(OH)2 <input type="radio"/> Na2CO3 <input type="radio"/> NaOH 20 wt% soln					
Alk (mg/L)	60	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate H2O2.mol/L 0.001152					
TIC (mg/L as C)	32.4	0	9.89E-05 35wt% 9.36E-05 50wt%					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimate TIC	58.8	0	H2O2 wt% units gal/gal (memo, not used)					

	Soln#A	Soln#B	Step	+Caustic?->pH?	Time.hrs	Temp.2.C	H2O2.mol	kLaCO2.1/s	Lg(PCO2.atm)	SAcc.cm2/mol	M/M0cc	SOC.mol	HMeO.mg	Fe%	Mn%	Al%	Description
Fe (mg/L)	128	1E-08	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:	<input type="checkbox"/>	21.7	9.8	0	0.000001	-3.4	72	1	0	19.8	84.0	16.0	0	ALD Howe Bridge 300
Fe2 (mg/L)	129	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2:	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.05	12	0	0.01	-3.4	45	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aeration cascade
<input type="checkbox"/> Estimate Fe2	128	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3:	<input type="checkbox"/>	20.0	12	0	0.00001	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aerobic pond
Al (mg/L)	0.067	1E-08	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4:	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.05	12	0	0.01	-3.4	45	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aeration cascade
Mn (mg/L)	22.3	1E-08	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5:	<input type="checkbox"/>	40.0	12	0	0.0000001	-3.4	45	1	0	20	84.0	16.0	0	Limestone bed
SO4 (mg/L)	684	1E-06	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6:	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.05	12	0	0.005	-3.4	45	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aeration cascade
Cl (mg/L)	4.9	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7:	<input type="checkbox"/>	8.0	12	0	0.00001	-3.4	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aerobic pond
Ca (mg/L)	101	1E-06	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8:	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.05	12	0	0.01	-3.4	45	1	0	0	100	0	0	Aeration cascade
Mg (mg/L)	63	1E-06	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9:	<input type="checkbox"/>	5.0	12	0	0.0000001	-3.4	144	1	0	50	0	100	0	Mn removal bed
Na (mg/L)	12.2	1E-06	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10:	<input type="checkbox"/>	5.0	12	0	0.0000001	-3.4	144	1	0	50	0	100	0	Mn removal bed
K (mg/L)	5.24	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11:	<input type="checkbox"/>	5.0	12	0	0.0000001	-3.4	144	1	0	50	0	100	0	Mn removal bed
Si (mg/L)	7.05	0															
NO3N (mg/L)	0	0															
TDS (mg/L)	1150	0															
DOC (mg/L as C)	0	0															
Humate (mg/L as C)	0	0															

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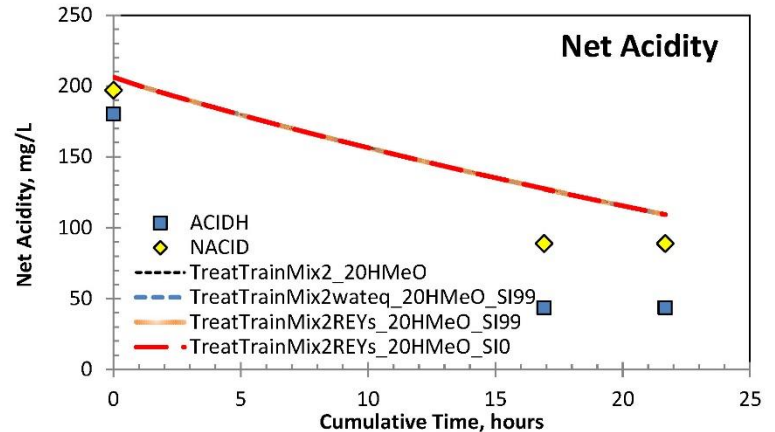
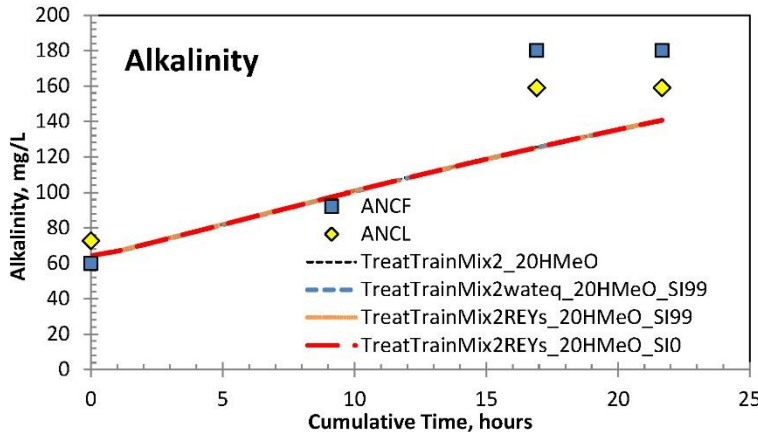
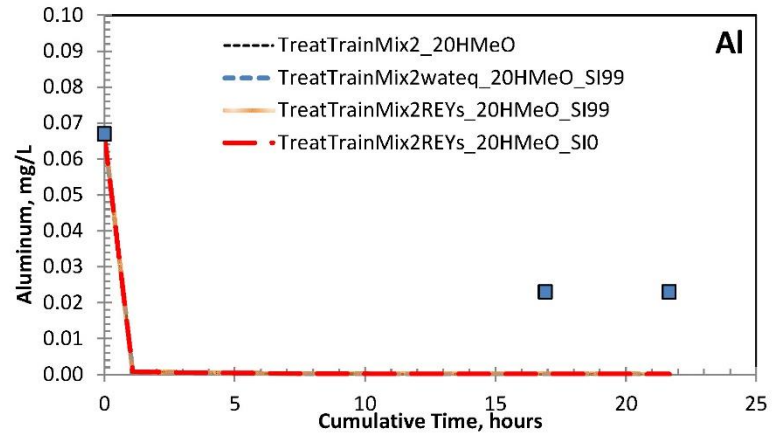
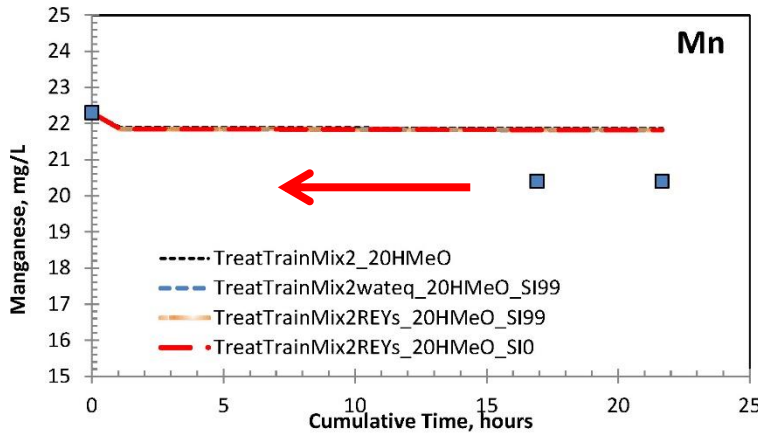
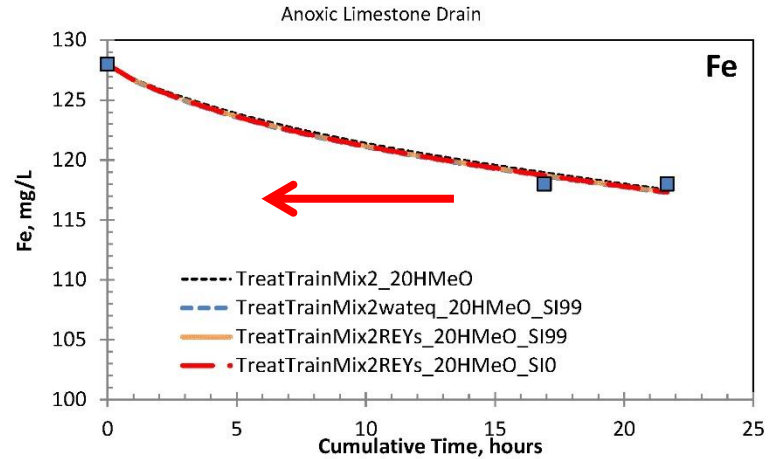
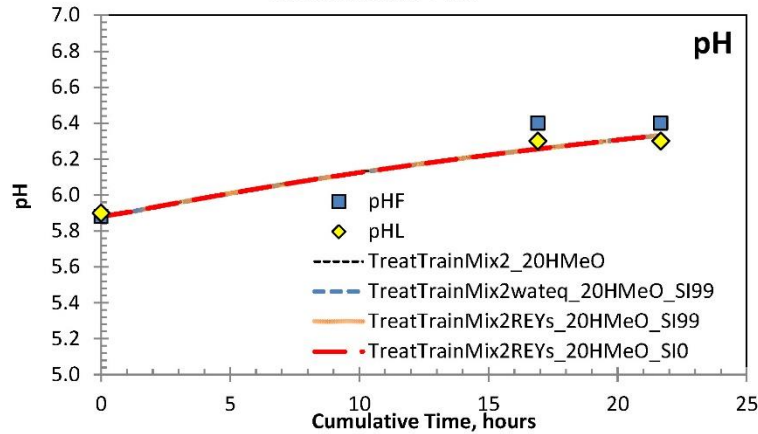
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UI for passive treatment of net-acidic AMD through (1) anoxic limestone drain; with added steps for (3) aerobic pond; (5) oxic limestone bed; (7) aerobic pond; and (9-11) manganese removal bed with intermediate aeration steps (2, 4, 6, 8)

Howe Bridge ALD, only (210608)

Anoxic Limestone Drain



Tools

V-Notch /
Rectangular
Weir

Flumes

California
Pipe
Method

Mass
Balance
Calculator

Iron
Oxidation

pH
Averaging

Acidity
Calculator

PHREEQ-
N-
AMDTreat

Treatment Layout

Limestone Drain

\$22,893.11
\$1,144.66
Value \$56,418.89

Conveyance Ditch

→

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AMDTreat 6.0 Beta PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat tool:

Howe Bridge, high Fe & Mn

Treatment Modules To Be Modeled

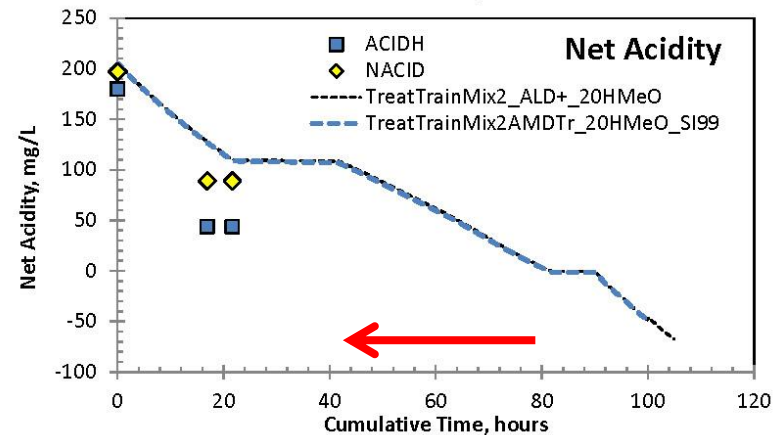
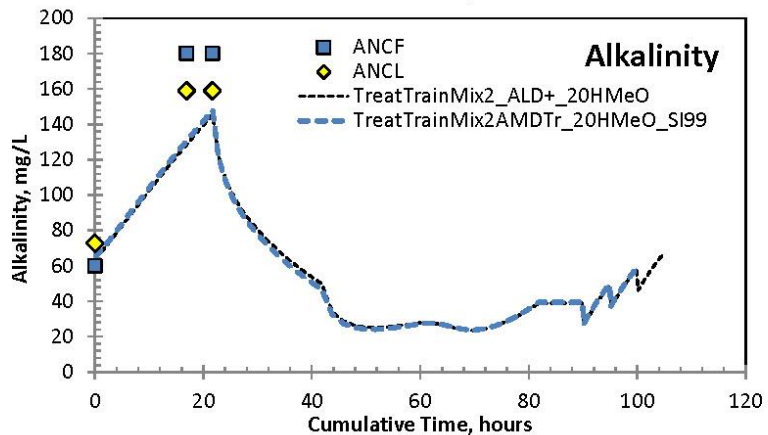
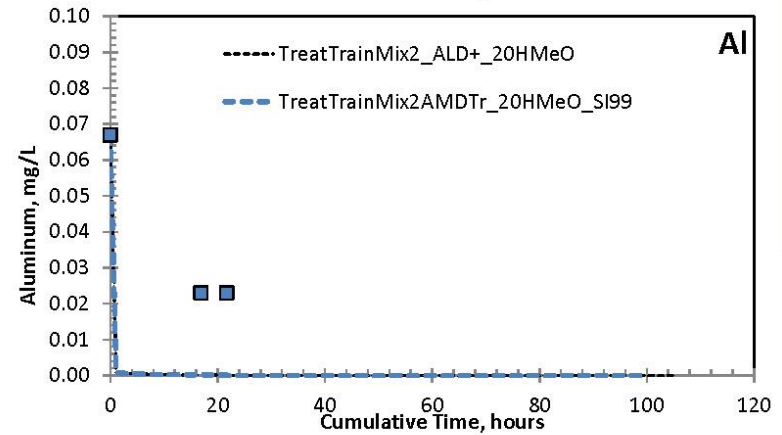
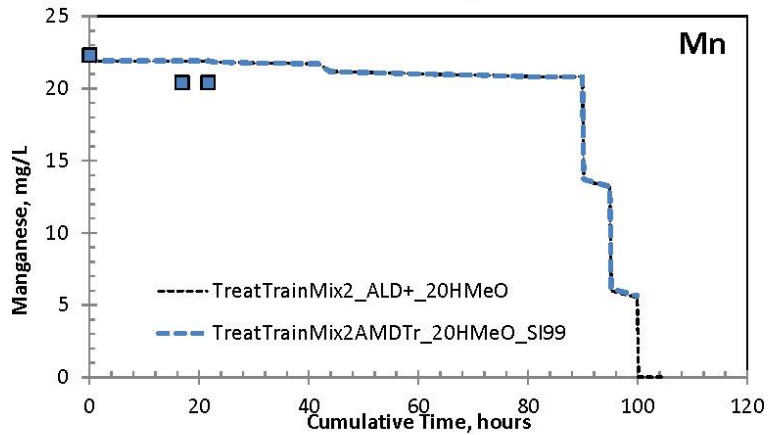
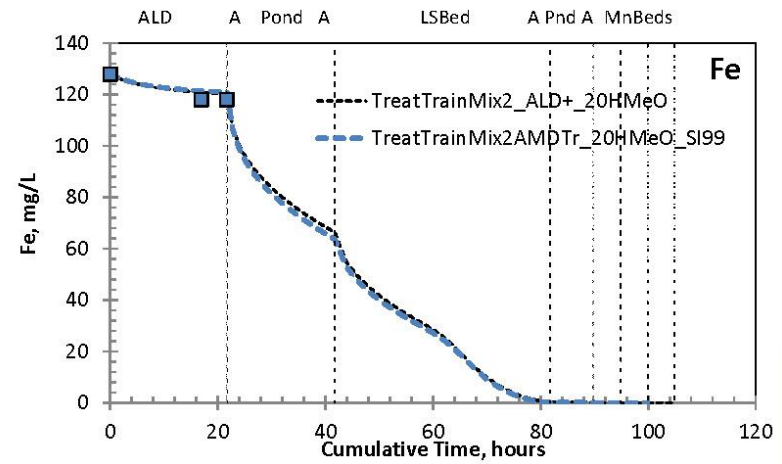
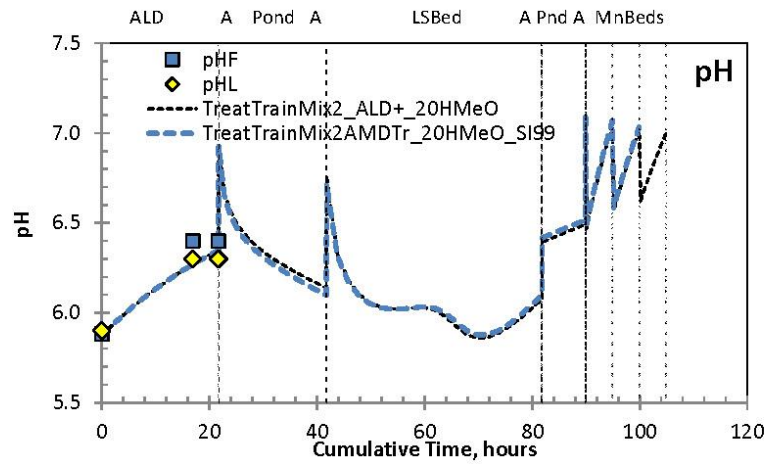
Treatment Module	Step	Treatment Layer/Technology	Treatment pH (s.u.)	Retention Time (hrs)	Temperature (°C)	Decarbonation Rate: kLaCO ₂ (sec ⁻¹)	Limestone Surface Area (cm ² /mol)	Fraction of Limestone Available To React	Solid Organic Carbon	Sorbent Mass (Fe+Mn+Al) (mg/L)	Fe %	Mn %	Al %
ALD	1	Limestone Layer	6.88	21.7000	9.80	0.0000001	AASHTO #3 (72)	1.00	0.00	19.80	84.00	16.00	0.00
Conveyance Ditch	2	Water Layer	6.88	0.0500	12.00	0.0100000	AASHTO #1 (45)	1.00	0.00	0.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
Ponds	3	Water Layer	6.88	20.0000	12.00	0.0000100	0	1.00	0.00	10.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
Conveyance Ditch	4	Water Layer	6.88	0.0500	12.00	0.0100000	AASHTO #1 (45)	1.00	0.00	0.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
Limestone Bed	5	Water Layer	6.88	0.0000	12.00	0.0000100	0	1.00	0.00	0.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
	6	Limestone Layer	6.88	40.0000	12.00	0.0000001	AASHTO #1 (45)	1.00	0.00	20.00	84.00	16.00	0.00
Conveyance Ditch	7	Water Layer	6.88	0.0500	12.00	0.0050000	AASHTO #1 (45)	1.00	0.00	0.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
Ponds	8	Water Layer	6.88	8.0000	12.00	0.0000100	0	1.00	0.00	0.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
Conveyance Ditch	9	Water Layer	6.88	0.0500	12.00	0.0100000	AASHTO #1 (45)	1.00	0.00	0.00	100.0	0.00	0.00
Mn Removal Bed	10	Limestone Layer	6.88	5.0000	12.00	0.0000001	AASHTO #5 (144)	1.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	100.0	0.00
Mn Removal Bed	11	Limestone Layer	6.88	5.0000	12.00	0.0000001	AASHTO #5 (144)	1.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	100.0	0.00
Total Retention Time (hrs)				99.9									

Model Output

Print PHREEQC Output Report Select Workspace C:\Users\cravotta\Documents\AMDTreat_geochem_data\AMDTreatBeta\HoweBrid

AMDTreat 6.0 Beta "PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat" tool (1) anoxic limestone drain; (3) aerobic pond; (5) oxic limestone bed; (7) aerobic pond; and (9-11) manganese removal bed with intermediate aeration steps (2, 4, 6, 8).

Howe Bridge ALD + Aerobic Ponds + OLD + Mn-Removal Bed



Treatment Modules

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+ Mn-Removal Bed**

**Total capital cost:
\$193,632**

**Net present value cost:
\$783,225**

**Project footprint:
1.40 acres**

Conclusions

- ✓ PHREEQ-N-AMDTreat tools that include equilibrium and kinetics models are useful to evaluate AMD treatment performance and design.
- ✓ Graphical and tabular output indicates the pH and solute concentrations in effluent plus quantity of precipitated solids.
- ✓ By adjusting kinetic variables or chemical dosing, various passive and/or active treatment strategies can be simulated.
- ✓ AMDTreat cost-analysis software can be used to evaluate the feasibility for installation and operation of treatments that produce the desired effluent quality.

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