

# Design of Sewage Treatment Plant with Sequential Batch Reactor: A Review

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**Abstract:** Sequential batch reactor (SBR) is the most budding option for treatment of municipal wastewater. It works on fill-draw procedure for anaerobic and aerobic sewage treatment. SBR operating is in a single tank which operates in time rather than in space. It has acquired a worldwide attention as it can treat various types of effluents such as domestic, Municipal, saline, tannery, brewery, and Dairy wastewater, landfill leachates under various circumstances. Is it require less area to operate easy to function and is economical even in small scales. The extensive procedure of SBR is based on five components that is Fill, React, Settle, Decent, and Ideal. The modification process is very simple because of flexible character of SBR. Solids Retention Time SRT, hydraulic retention time HRT, cycles can be altered and for this reason it provides wide scope for treatment for a single reactor which is the most prominent factor along with the other treatment facilities SBR can be used successfully.

**Key words:** Sequential batch reactor (SBR), municipal wastewater, aerobic and anaerobic wastewater treatment, Hydraulic Retention Time (HRT), Solids Retention Time (SRT)

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Discharge standards in the environment are becoming more severe, biological sewage treatment based on conventional continuous flow-based process is facing serious difficulties. The Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) is a technological modification in the well known Activated Sludge Process (ASP). The most recent standards of effluent discharge are achieved in the SBR batch process providing variation in process adaptability and options in design and process control which is nothing but a modified transformation of activated sludge process. R.L. Irvine in the duration of 1914 to 1920 SBR was well known for fill and draw methods which the basic conviction of SBR as a another Technology cause process control technology and variation Technology was greatly improved over underlying years.

Industrial wastewater with high quality and little networks of wastewater treatment was treated by SBR Technology and primarily utilized. Treatment of industrial sewage which has hard to extract organic Chemicals has

additionally discover a wide acknowledgment apart from utilization of SBR Technology constrained to the field of sewage treatment because of adaptability in design and excellent control in process which is accomplished by the cutting edge technology. SBR process is adequately mechanized, it is known to spare more than 60 % of the working costs required for a conventional ASP and can accomplish high effluent quality in an exceptionally short aeration time.

Activated sludge process is modified to SBR. It contrast from sludge treatment plants since it consolidate entirely of treatment steps and procedures into a solitary basin, or tank, though traditional facilities depend on different basins. As per USEPA report of 1999, the SBR is close to activated sludge treatment plant which works in the interval of time rather than in space.

Sewage treatment plant (STP) assumes a significant job for the humankind. The primary capacity of these plants is to make the water of the sewage clean that originates from home.

Better operational adaptability and incredible procedure control prospects of Sequencing batch reactors (SBR), are in effect broadly utilized in the treatment of sewage that is these days is quickly getting defiled by new and increasingly pollutants complex in nature.

Treatment happens in an individual tank rather than different basins, at areas that are having a constant measure of space, releasing a little are footprints. The utilization of an effective decanter which dispense requirement of different clarifiers reliably accomplishes a minimum total suspended solids estimation of under 10 milligrams per litre. Acclamation of the treatment cycle to experience anoxic, anaerobic and aerobic conditions of sewage to accomplish phosphorus evacuation, denitrification, nitrification and biological nutrient evacuation. Not exactly 5 milligrams per litre of biochemical oxygen demand can be accomplished reliably. In a similar basin denitrification, anoxic transformation and aerobic transformation of alkalis to form

nitrate (nitrification) can accomplish a total nitrogen cut off point of under 5 milligrams per litre. Biological treatment (phosphorus retaining anaerobic organisms) and substance operators (iron and Aluminium salts) can be utilized as a blind to achieve cutoff points of Under 2 milligrams per litre of phosphorus inside the basin and cycle of treatment. Rectification of SBR can be done to more established sewage treatment facilities as the basins are already present. Lower limits of effluents can be achieved and accomplished by practical methods adopted by the SBR. A more noteworthy level is required for discharge limits which are obtained by expansion of SBR treatment ultimately followed by tertiary filtration system. The thought ought to be significant piece off the plan procedure.

## 2. BASIC PROCESS OF TREATMENT

SBR operation is mainly depending on a fill and rule comprising of five stages mainly - Fill, React, Settle, Decant and Idle. Various operational applications can be achieved by changing these means.

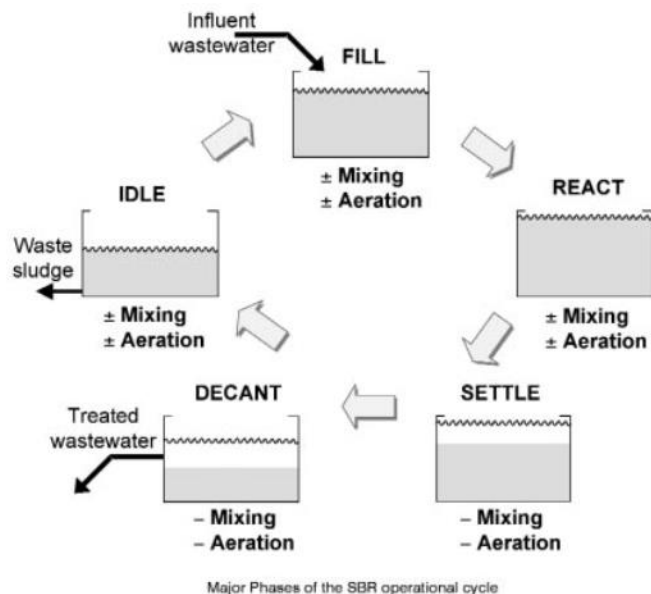


Fig-1: SBR operational cycle and its major phases.

### 2.1 Fill phase

The influence sewage gets entered in the tank during the phase known as fill phase. For making a domain for biological reactions to the microorganisms present in activated sludge acquires food from the influent wastewater

Static fill - Aeration and blending not provided under the situation of static field as influent sewage enters the basin. For the plants that do not require to denitrifying on nitrifying

and when there is a period of low flow and power is to be saved, at the beginning phase of a facility and at initial startup, static fill is utilized. As of the situation that the blenders and aerator are not required for state of the loading to a energy saving component.

Mixed fill - this type of process Aeration is not provided but mechanical blending is provided. Uniform mixture of influent sewage and Biomass is produced by the action of blending. During mixed fill process anaerobic situation are produced. Phosphorus is released by the Biomass under the anaerobic condition. Aerobic situation is accomplished the Phosphorus release is absorbed by the Biomass. Denitrification is promoted when anoxic conditions are established because of no Aeration. Anoxic condition will not promote the release of phosphorus.

Aerated fill - the mechanical blending and variation both are activated in the aerated fill condition. The anaerobic or anoxic condition is changed to aerobic condition by the circulation of air through the contents of the basin. There are no changes or adjustments required to lessen organic matter and to accomplish nitrification in aerated fill phase. But it is mandatory to switch the aeration off so as to promote denitrification which is achieved by anoxic conditions. During the phase the nitrification and denitrification is achieved by switching the air off and on by the blowers thus anoxic and oxic situations are created. Dissolved oxygen is limited to 0.2 milligrams per litre in this phase and is monitored while ensuring the occurrence of an anoxic condition in idle cycle.

### 2.2 React phase

Additional decrease or cleaning of sewage parameters are taken into consideration in the react phase. In this phase the mechanical blending and aeration system are in working but no sewage enters the tank. The phase of organic removal increments drastically since organic matter loading and extra volume is not there. Phase leads to extraction of the vast majority of carbonaceous BOD. Most of the denitrification happens during the blending fill phase. By permitting the blending and variation additional nitrification happens. In the react phase some extra Phosphorus in addition to Phosphorus discharge at blended fill is taken up.

### 2.3 Settle phase

Pertaining to tranquil conditions - no blending and aeration happens and no influent enters the tank. Activated sludge is permitted to settlement during the settle phase. The clear supernatant is differentiated by the settled activated sludge as a flocculant mass by framing of particular interface.

The mass of sludge formed is known as sludge blanket. If the settlement of solids matter is not quick resulting in withdrawal of some amount of sludge in the following decant phase which thereby corrupt quality of effluent thus it is an important part of cycle.

## 2.4 Decant phase

Effluent in the form of clear supernatant is expelled utilizing the decanter in the decant phase. The effluent release valves are opened by sending a sign to the decanter as soon as the settle phase is finished. It consisting of fixed-arm and floating decanter. The orifice opening is marginally kept underneath the surface of water by the floating decanters so as to limit the expulsion of solid matters in the effluent expelled by the decant phase. Adaptability to shift fill and draw mass is offered by the floating decanters. To lower how to raise the degree of decanter is permitted by the operator by using fixed arm decanter which are more affordable to design. The volume that enters the basin is equivalent to the volume of decanter is supposed to be idle in the fill phase. Likewise it is significant that no surface froth and filth being decanted. Maximum distance in vertical form tank bottom to the decanter is kept so as to abstain from upsetting Biomass which is settled.

## 2.5 Idle phase

The progression happens between fill phase and the decant phase. On the basis of operating procedure and rate of influent flow, variation in time happens. Modest quantity of activated sludge from the bottom of SBR basin is siphoned out during the phase - the procedure is named as wasting.

## 3. LITERATURE REVIEW

Lin S.H. also, Cheng K.W., (2001) did investigation based on treatment of municipal wastewater which is finished by SBR treatment prior to which coagulation as first procedure. The batch wise working advancement in the SBR process are held along with the permission of continuous sewage inflow, this was an alternate design of SBR which endeavored this examination. 12 hours of SBR process cycle was experimented. Baffle plates which are perforated which are two in numbers and containing huge numbers of 2mm pores involved an absolute surface Territory of 20% of the baffle plates, partitioned SBR basin in three equivalent compartments. Settle and draw activities are minimized buy impact of continuous in swimming wastewater with the help of the perforated baffle plates. In a comparison with the conventional SBR and upgraded SBR a conclusion was made that same results were obtained with an additional merit of flow which is continuous. Biochemical Oxygen demand

extraction was found to be 97.8% and COD removal was 91.8 percent. Conclusion was made by the author having chemical coagulation being best alternative for sewage pre-treatment before SBR entry. A certain scope in improvisation was found out in modified version of SBR as it does not provide a prominent change in results.

Li and Zang (2002) read execution of SBR in the treatment of wastewater from dairy industry having different HRT and organic loadings. For 10000 milligrams per litre COD and HRT of one day, the extraction efficiency of Total Kjeldal Nitrogen, total solids, COD, nitrogen, volatile solids was voted as 3.75 %, 63.4%, 80.2 %, 38.3 % and 66.3 % individually.

Kargi and Uygur (2003) by creating results on test information by treating manufactured sewage in SBR and utilising reserves with box Wilson factual investigation design on improvement in nutrition expulsion effectiveness. COD per Phosphorus proportion COD per nitrogen proportion were the three factors and targeted capacities were phosphorus, nitrogen and COD evacuation efficiencies. Relapse examination was used to resolve coefficients and all the test results were related to box Wilson reaction work in order to get the extraction efficiency is in SBR.

Uygur and Kargi (2004) explore different avenues regarding four components of SBR - (oxic, anoxic, aerobic and anaerobic phase) with hydraulic retention time of (1 hour/ 1 hour/ 3hour/ 1 hour) were examined for various phenol concentration For the extraction of nutrients from synthetic sewage. Phenol concentrations work between 0 - 600 milligrams per litre. Phosphorus and nitrogen extraction was found to be 65 % and 90% individually and extraction of COD was found to be 90% concentration of phenol of 400 milligrams per litre. Over 400 milligrams per litre of phenol concentration SBR was radically influenced. The SVI was having a radical increment between 45 ml per gram to 9 ml per gram.

Mohseni-Bandpi and Bazari (2004) examined industrial Milk Plant wastewater to be treated by aerobic SBR. Variety of aeration period organic loading and cycle period in the SBR framework were presented and tried. Outcomes acquired were without question acceptable for example the COD removal was over 90% on the whole situation. Demonstration on the treatability and adaptability of the dairy wastewater was investigated in this.

Neczaj et al. (2005) expected in the improvement of leachates which are biologically treated with the application of ultrasound field. The leachates created in Municipal landfills. The manufacture sewage along with the leachates

was diluted within the range of 5% up to 40%. Organic compound extraction above 85% was found at maximum breaking point of 10% latches dilution. With various amplitudes differing from 8 to 16 micrometre, a disintegrator with frequency of 20 kilo hertz is used for sonification. In the SBR organic matter extraction of over 90% was achieved at 12 micrometre amplitude. There requires an improvement in the future scope as it is a very expensive treatment prior to SBR.

Lamine (2007) completed investigation of treatment of grey water with the help of SBR.HRTs which was noted was 0.6 no. of days what's more, load variety was for 2.5 no. of days. 90% of organic issue with COD removal can be accomplished by a viably SBR and can expel nutrients and do the biodegradation. The SVI noted was 100 ml/g and that is exceptionally good. The execution of phosphorus removal was diminished. Concentration of ammonium noted was greater in 0.6 days system of HRT while it was smaller influenced in 2.5 days system of HRT. The matter is of concentrate as advancement is essential for HRT which is to be received by a load variety.

Kulikowska et al. (2007) planned treating landfill leeches with SBR Technology with COD and bod extraction proficiency and Biomass yield coefficient. With various HRT with anaerobic-aerobic condition and aerobic condition comprising and not comprising anoxic phase. In the two conditions one is in which COD extraction productivity was influenced from 4 to 5% and in another in which there was no adjustment in bod extraction effectiveness due to progress in HRT. Except anoxic phase the noted yield was expanded. Anaerobic and aerobic condition was contradicted by the increment in aerobic conditions and traditionally followed by a noteworthy increment in Biomass degradation rate. This Framework was viewed as ideal for Municipal leachates because of lower Biomass.

Kim et al. (2008) examined Municipal sewage and lower quality swine waste water treatment using upgraded SBR including 8 numbers of stages for example fill contact settle decant nitrification refill react and ideal. By fusing the period of contact inside framework and nitrification outside the reactor it was demonstrated that an autonomous nitrification can be accomplished. Extraction of TP TN, and COD were found out to be 60% 81% 87% individually which is far superior than regular treatment. 70% of the alkali nitrogen was found out outside the reactor, thus the Framework does not require external addition of carbon so as to attain successful extraction of the nutrients. A significant loss strength wastewater was concluded to be treated by this procedure.

Moawada et. al. (2009) researched the ability to treat municipal sewage with a combined method of aerobic and anaerobic treatment forms for example Upflow Anaerobic Sludge Blanket (UASB) trailed by aerobic SBR discharge sewage reasonable for irrigation system. 3 trials was tested, which comprises of 4-3 hours variety to HRT of UASB, 6-12 hours period variation of SBR which comprises of aeration cycle variety from 2 -9 hours. The increment in Hydraulic retention time of a SBR system was useful on Total Nitrogen extraction yet having no impact on Total Phosphorus just as extraction efficiencies of COD and BOD. COD removal efficiency was 84 to 89%, BOD removal efficiency was 90 to 95.9 % and TSS removal efficiency was 85 to 93.9% individually which inferred that utilization of SBR after UASB is an excellent innovation.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

Fill react settle dick and ideal is a pattern of periods by which sequential batch reactor (SBR) works. Specific treatment plant can operate by changing oxygen concentration, duration and blending according to its necessity. The fundamental requirement of the plant is a suitable decanter and aeration. Organic matter consisting of microorganisms must be promptly acceptable with the oxygen provided by aeration. Strategic distance is ought to be maintained from the admission of floating matter through the basin by the decanter. The municipal and industrial wastewater treatment is provided with numerous favorable circumstances which is offered by SBR Technology.

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