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DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



19MEB203 -THERMAL ENGINEERING

UNIT 1-Fuels & Combustion

Type 1 Problems

Ex.1 A sample of coal has following composition on mass basis Carbon 82%, Hydrogen 8%, Sulphur 2%, Oxygen 4% and Ash 4%.

Calculate using Dulong's formula higher and lower calorific value of fuel. **(S-08,09,W-10,11)**

Solⁿ: Given

Composition of coal on mass basis.

Carbon (C) = 0.82

Hydrogen (H₂) = 0.08

Sulphur (S) = 0.02

Oxygen (O₂) = 0.04

Ash = 0.04

We know Dulong's formula.

$$\text{H.C.V. of Coal} = 33800 C + 144000 (H_2 - O_2/8) + 9270 S \text{ KJ/Kg.}$$

Putting above values in formula.

$$= 33800 \times 0.82 + 144000 (0.08 - 0.04/8) + 9270 \times 0.02$$

$$\text{H.C.V. of coal} = 27716 + 10800 + 185.4 = \underline{38701.4 \text{ KJ/Kg.}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.C.V.} &= \text{H.C.V.} - 9 H_2 \times 2466 \\ &= 38701.4 - 9 \times (0.08) \times 2466 \\ &= 38701.4 - 1775.52 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{L.C.V.} = \underline{36925.88 \text{ KJ/Kg.}}$$

Type 2 Problem

Ex.1 The following is the percentage composition of a sample of coal on mass basis.

C = 85, H₂ = 4, O₂ = 10 and remaining is ash find minimum mass of air required for complete combustion of 1 Kg. of coal.

Solⁿ : Given

Composition of coal on mass basis.

Carbon (C) = 0.85

Hydrogen (H₂) = 0.04

Oxygen (O₂) = 0.10

Minimum mass of air required for complete combustion of 1 Kg. of fuel.

$$= \frac{100}{23} (2.67 C + 8 H_2 + S - O_2) \text{ Kg.}$$

$$= \frac{100}{23} (2.67 \times 0.85 + 8 + 0.04 + 0 - 0.10)$$

$$= \frac{100}{23} (2.2695 + 0.32 - 0.1)$$

$$= 40.82 \text{ Kg. per Kg. of Coal burnt.}$$

Type 3 Problem

Ex.3 During a boiler trial the coal analysis on mass basis was reported as C = 62.4%, H₂ = 4.2%, O₂ = 4.5%, Moisture = 15% and Ash 13.9%. Calculate minimum air required to burn 1 Kg. of coal also calculate H.C.V. & L.C.V.

Solⁿ : Given

Composition of coal on mass basis.

Carbon (C)	=	62.4	=	0.624
Hydrogen (H ₂)	=	4.2%	=	0.042
Oxygen (O ₂)	=	4.2%	=	0.045
Moisture	=	15%	=	0.15
Ash	=	13.9	=	0.139

Now

Minimum mass of air required for complete combustion of 1 Kg. of fuel.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{100}{23} (2.67 C + 8 H_2 + S - O_2) \text{ Kg.} \\ &= \frac{100}{23} (2.67 \times 0.624 + 8 \times 0.042 + 0 - 0.045) \\ &= \frac{100}{23} (2.136 + 0.264 + 0.009 - 0.004) \\ &= \frac{100}{23} (1.666 + 0.336 - 0.045) \\ &= 8.613 \text{ Kg. per Kg. of Coal burnt.} \end{aligned}$$

We know Dulong's formula.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{H.C.V. of Coal} &= 33800 C + 144000 (H_2 - O_2/8) + 9270 S \text{ KJ/Kg.} \\ &= 33800 \times 0.624 + 144000 (0.042 - 0.045/8) + 9270 \times 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{H.C.V.} = \underline{26329.2 \text{ KJ/Kg.}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.C.V. of Coal} &= \text{H.C.V.} - 9 H_2 \times 2466 \text{ KJ/Kg.} \\ &= 26329.2 - 9 \times 0.042 \times 2466 \\ &= 26329.2 - 932.148 \\ &= \underline{25397.052 \text{ KJ/Kg}} \end{aligned}$$