

CO₂ Capture and Sequestration Research in SKLCC

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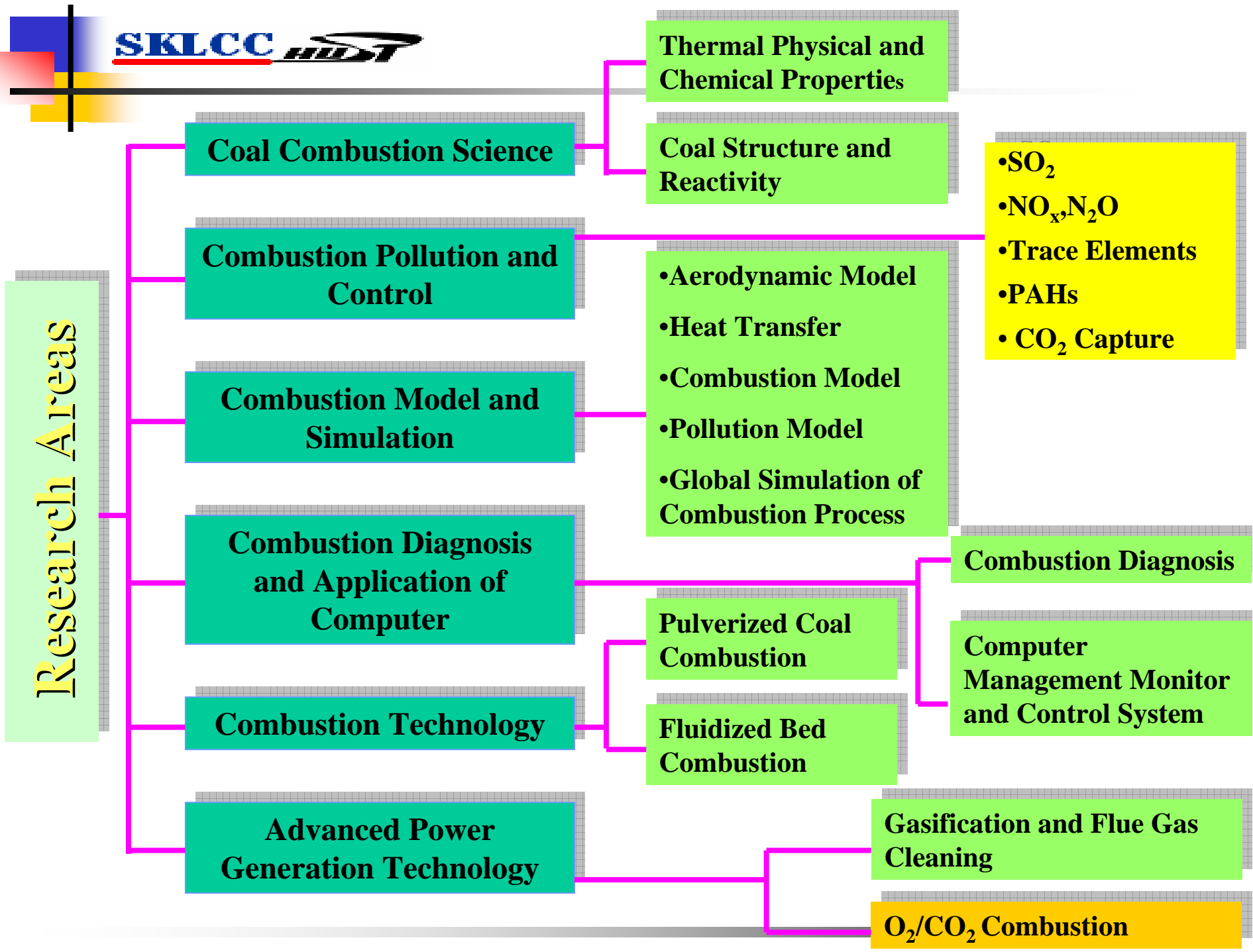
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- **Introduction of SKLCC**
 - **Current Research and Progress**
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煤燃烧国家重点实验室

History: 1981
Faculty and Staffs: 30
Graduate Students: 150





Research Areas

Coal Combustion Science

Thermal Physical and Chemical Properties

Coal Structure and Reactivity

- SO₂
- NO_x, N₂O
- Trace Elements
- PAHs
- CO₂ Capture

Combustion Pollution and Control

- Aerodynamic Model
- Heat Transfer
- Combustion Model
- Pollution Model
- Global Simulation of Combustion Process

Combustion Model and Simulation

Combustion Diagnosis and Application of Computer

Combustion Diagnosis

Computer Management Monitor and Control System

Combustion Technology

Pulverized Coal Combustion

Fluidized Bed Combustion

Advanced Power Generation Technology

Gasification and Flue Gas Cleaning

O₂/CO₂ Combustion

International publications: more than 200



(1997-2004)

**International
Cooperation**

MIT (US)

University of Connecticut (US)

University of Utah (US)

West Kentucky University (US)

University of Albert (Canada)

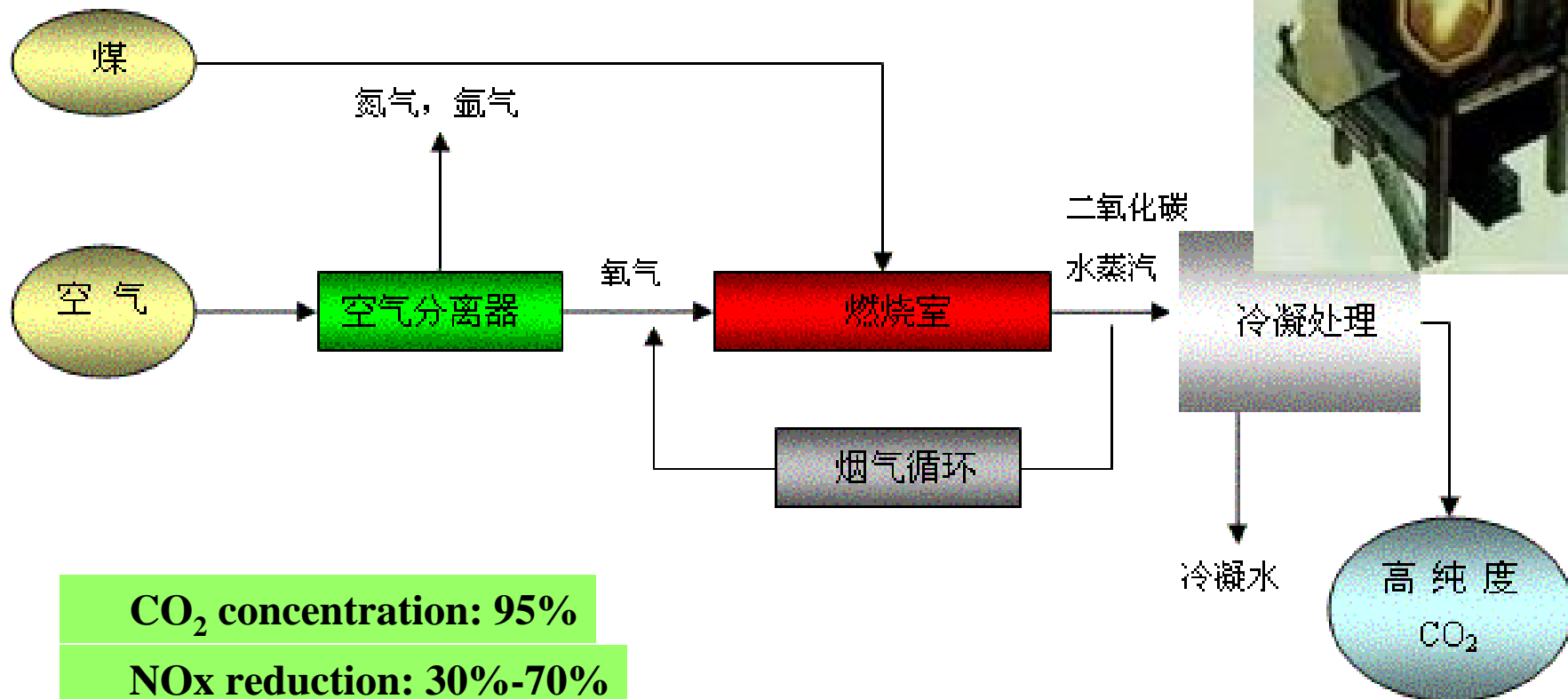
Clumbia University (Canada)

University of Newcastle (Australia)

Current Research and Progress in SKLCC

- **Oxy-fuel Combustion**
- **Chemical Looping Combustion**
- **CO₂ Capture Based on CCR**
- **CO₂ Sequestration by Mineral Carbonation**

Oxy-Fuel Combustion



CO₂ concentration: 95%

NO_x reduction: 30%-70%

SO₂ removal by limestone: 40%-90%

Thermal efficiency increase: 3%

Easy and efficient CO₂ separation, recovery

How about NO_x and SO_x emissions in O_2/CO_2 pulverized coal combustion?

Highly efficient, clean
coal combustion

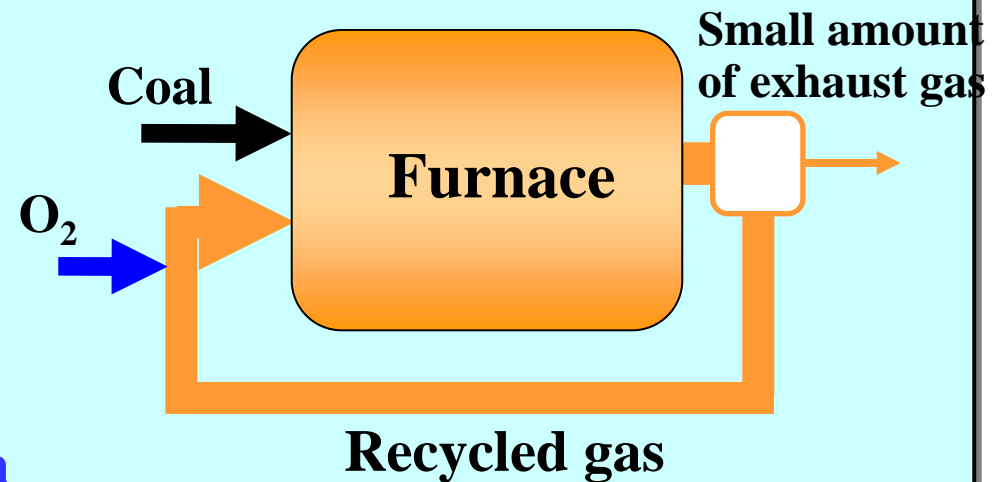


O_2/CO_2 Pulverized coal combustion

- Easy and efficient CO_2 separation
- Extremely low NO_x emission
- Low SO_2 emission



**Characteristics and
mechanisms
unknown**



Recirculation of mass

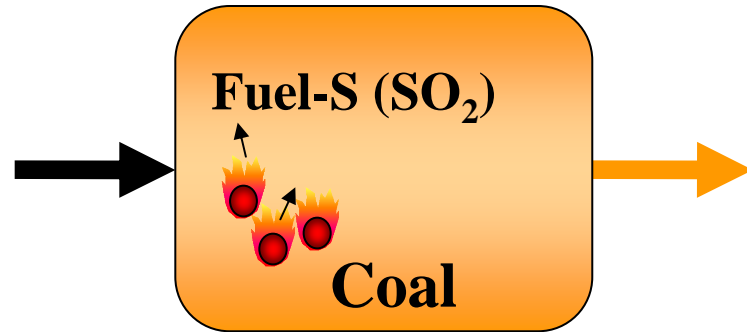


Enrichment of mass (CO_2 , NO_x ,
 SO_x) in furnace



Small amount of exhausted gas
as a system

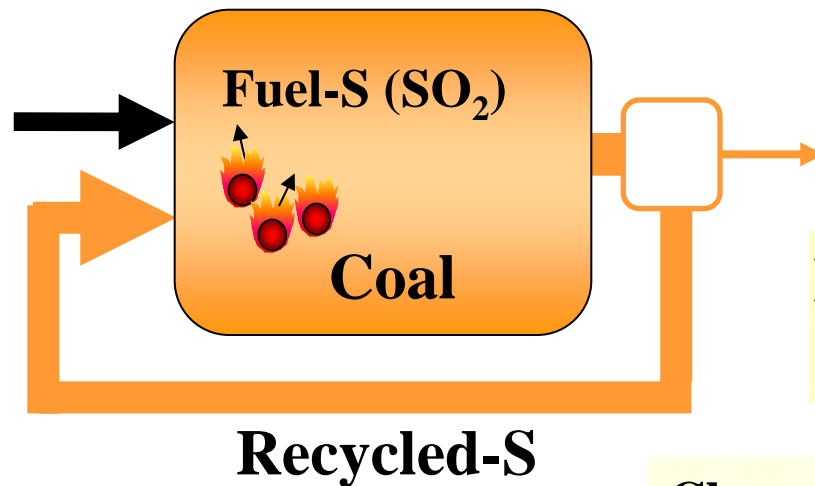
Conventional pulverized coal combustion



CaSO_4 decomposition

Low desulfurization efficiency

O_2/CO_2 pulverized coal combustion



High CO_2 concentration

- Enhance desulfurization reaction?
- Inhibit CaSO_4 decomposition?

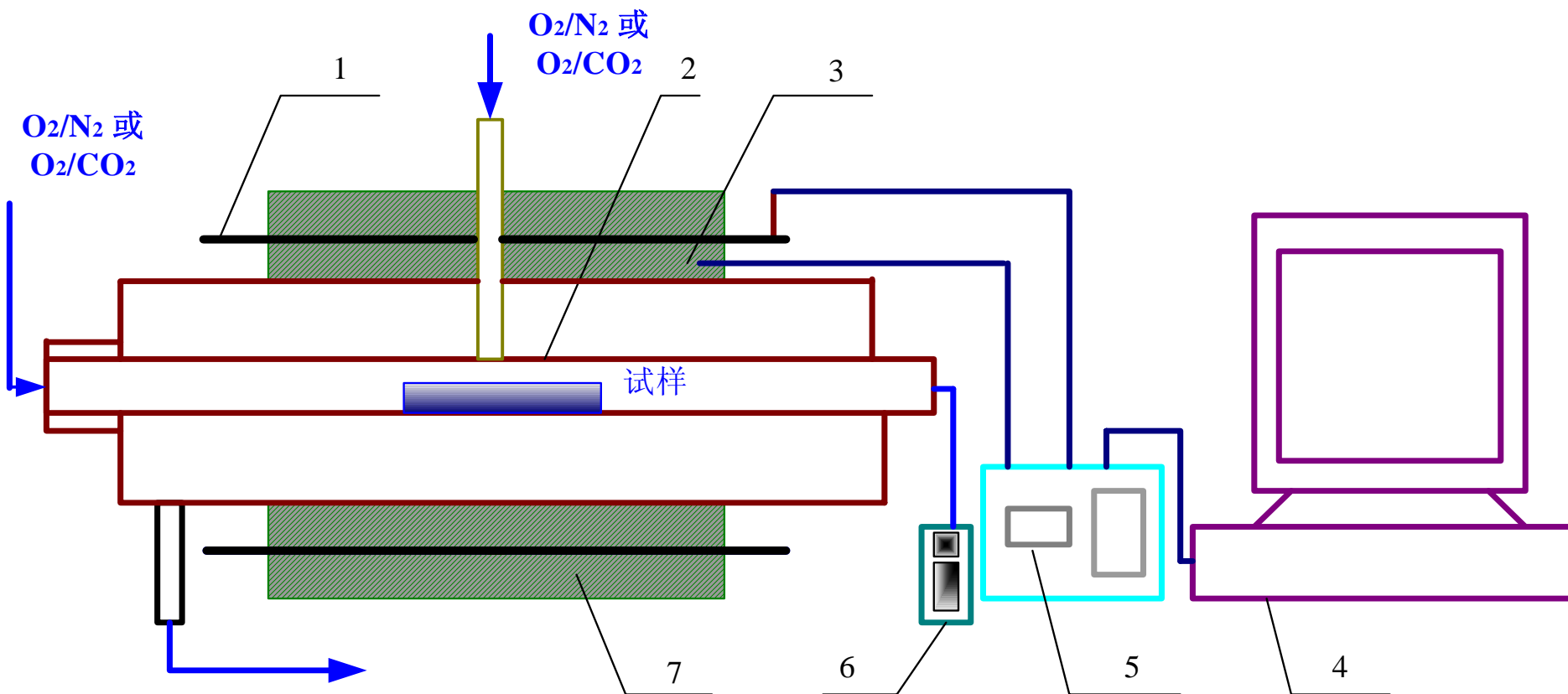
Possibility of high **in-furnace** desulfurization efficiency

Characteristics and mechanisms: **unknown**

SKLCC's Progress

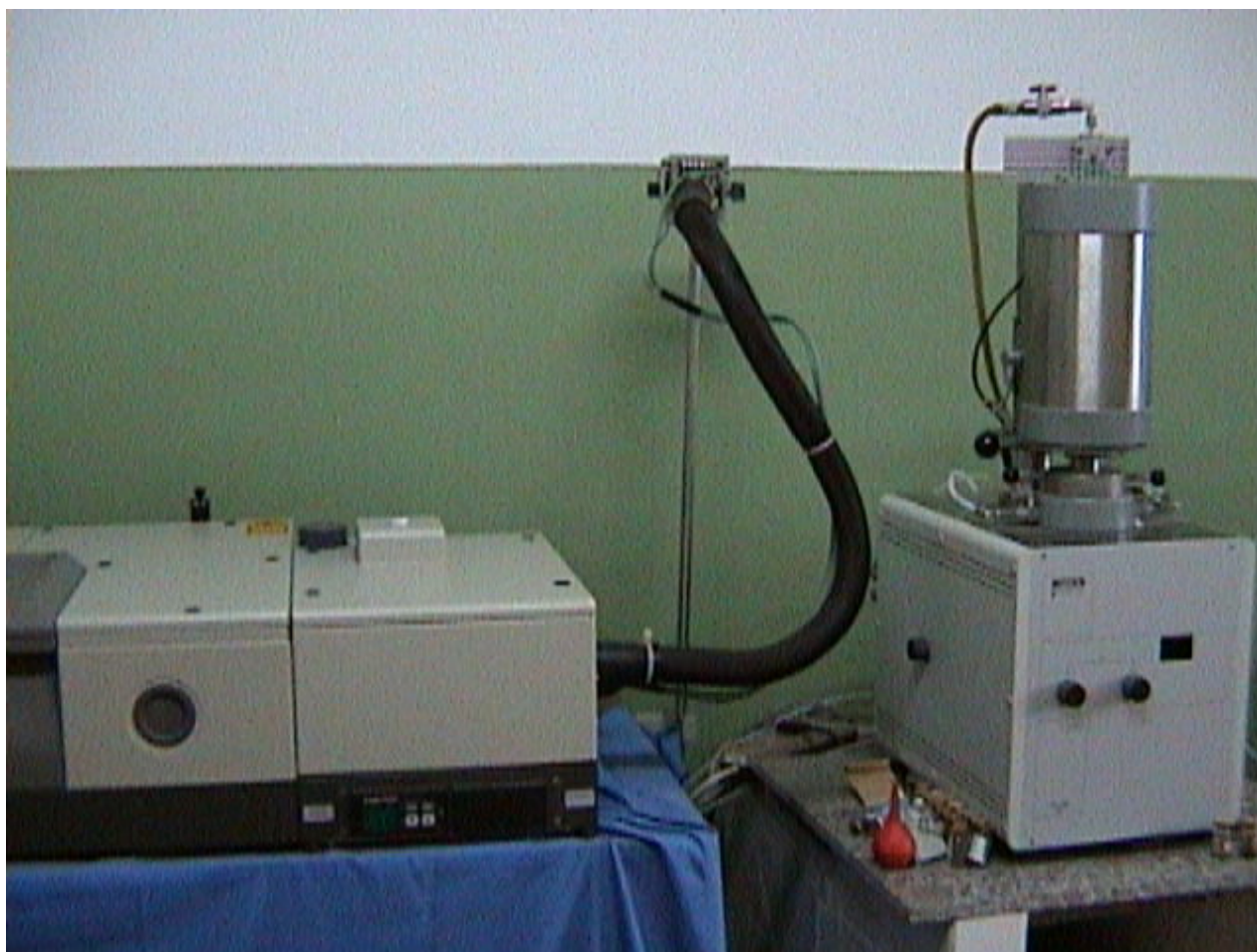
- **Flame Characteristics and Combustion behavior**
 - **The mechanism of SO₂ and NO_x reduction**
 - **Limestone desulfurization reaction mechanism in O₂/CO₂**
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Experimental Facility

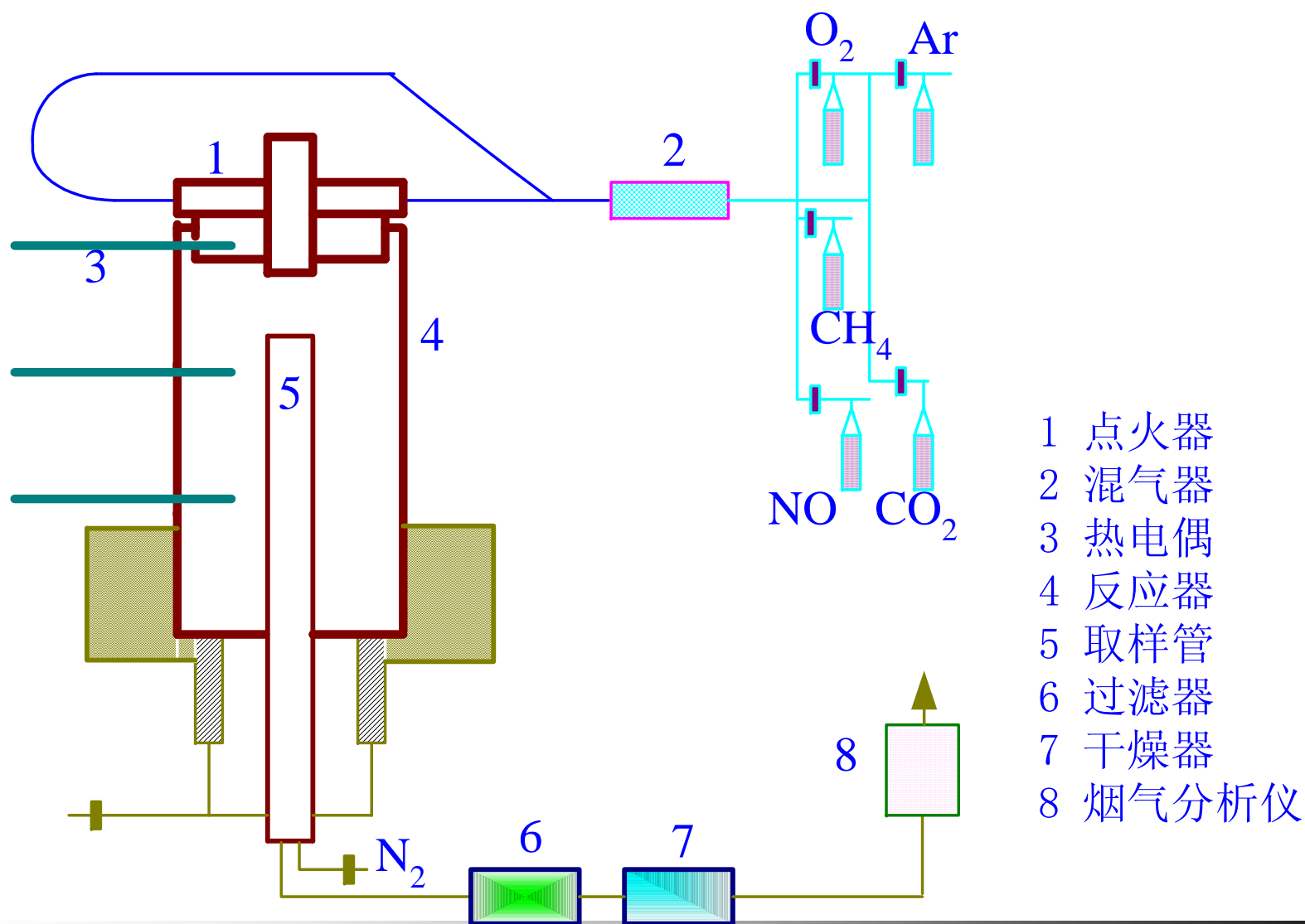


1 硅炭管 2 石英管 3 热电偶 4 计算机 5 温控仪 6 烟气分析仪 7 保温带

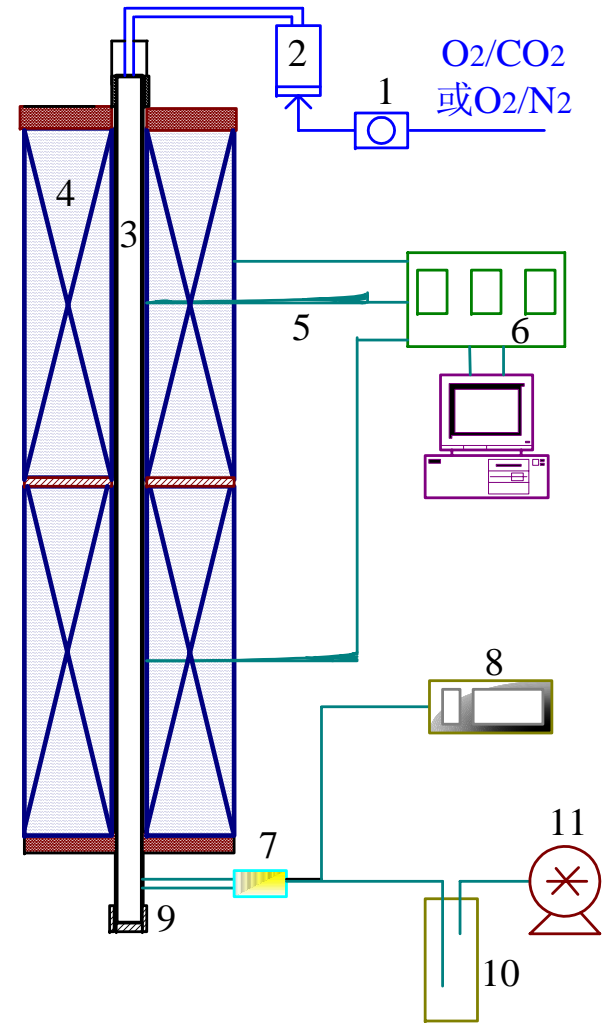
TGA-FTIR



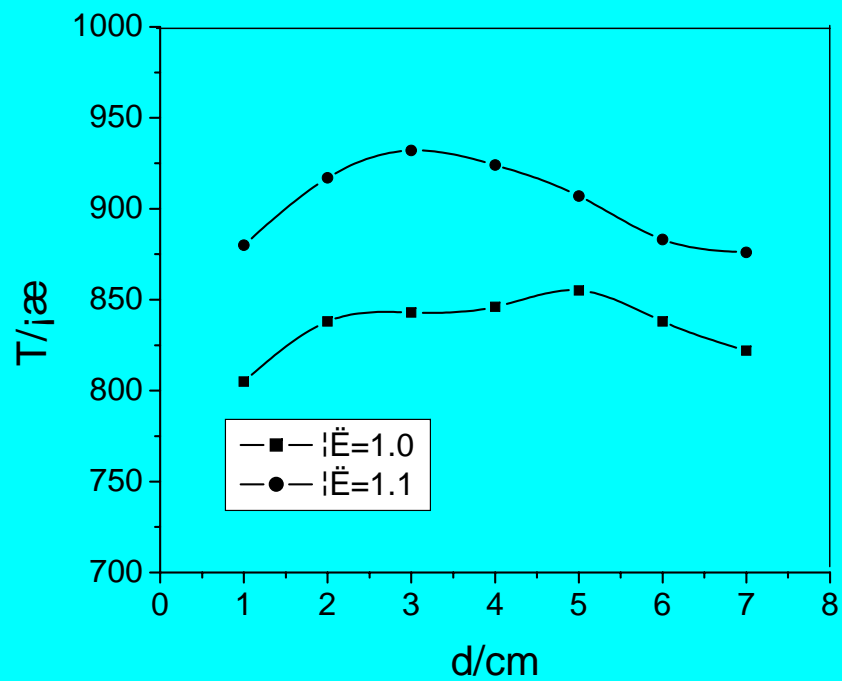
CH₄ combustion device



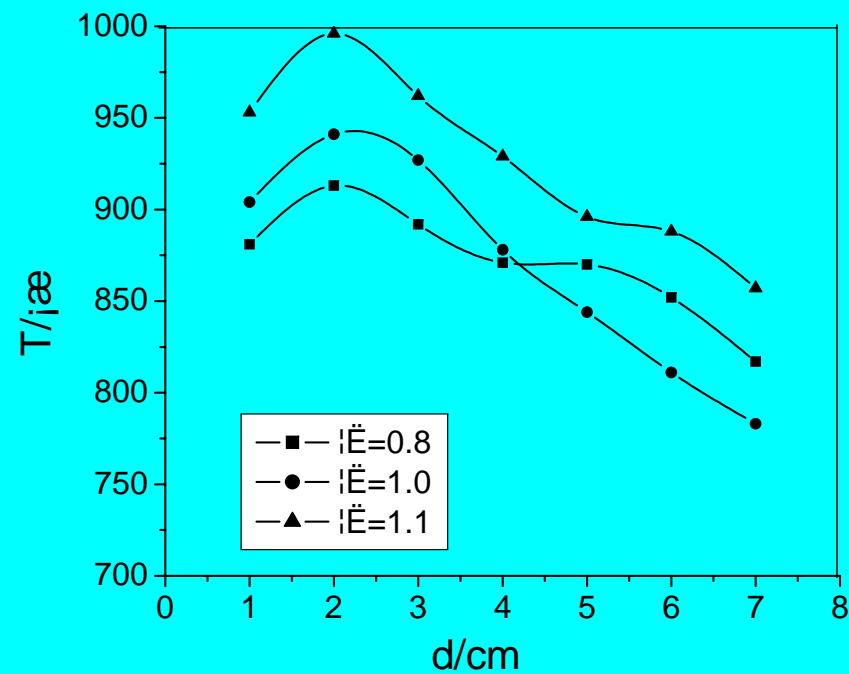
O₂/CO₂ Coal Combustion Furnace



Flame Characteristics

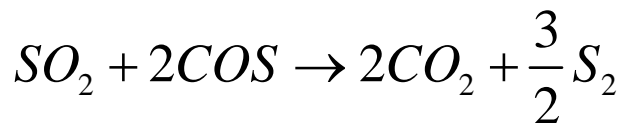
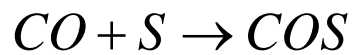
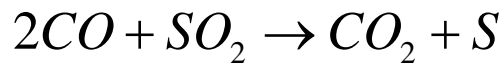
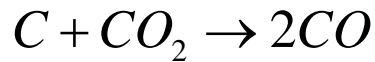
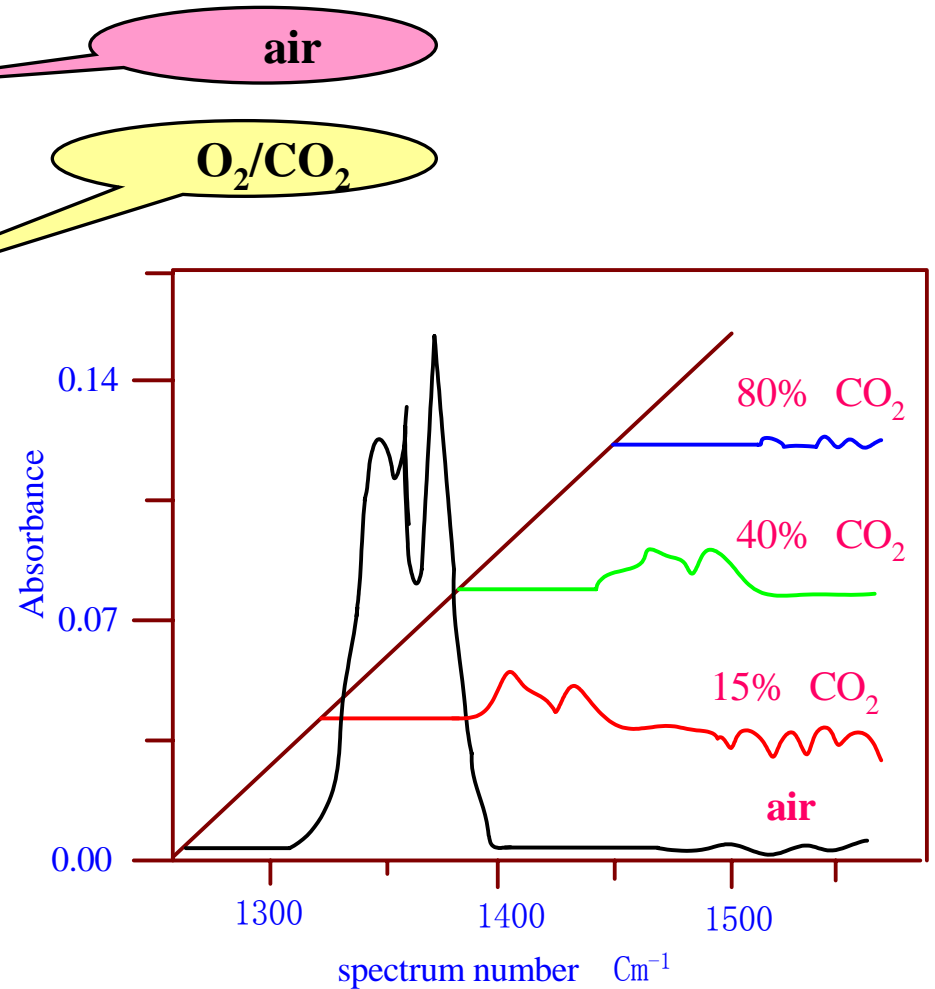
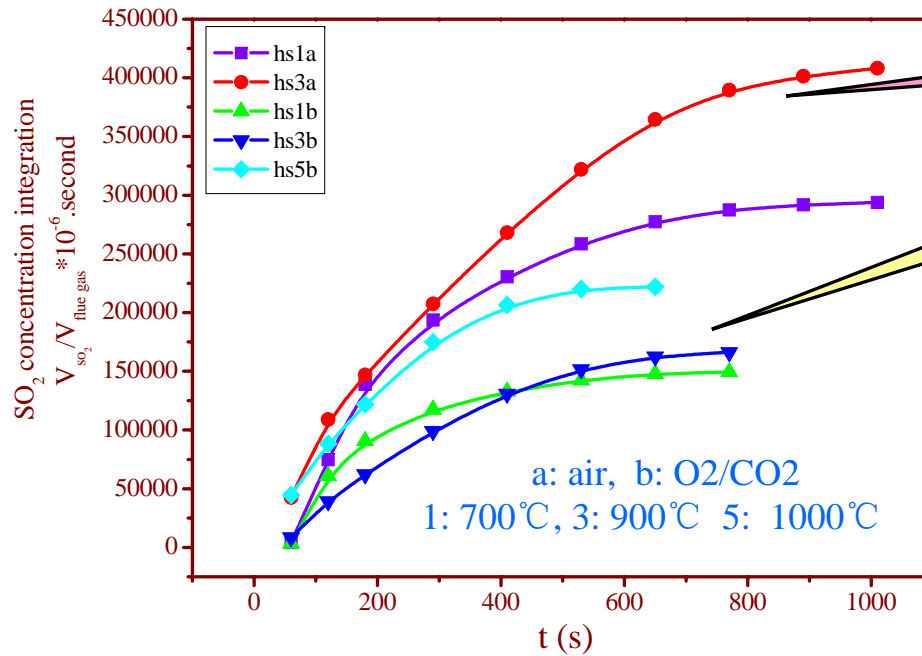


60% CO_2



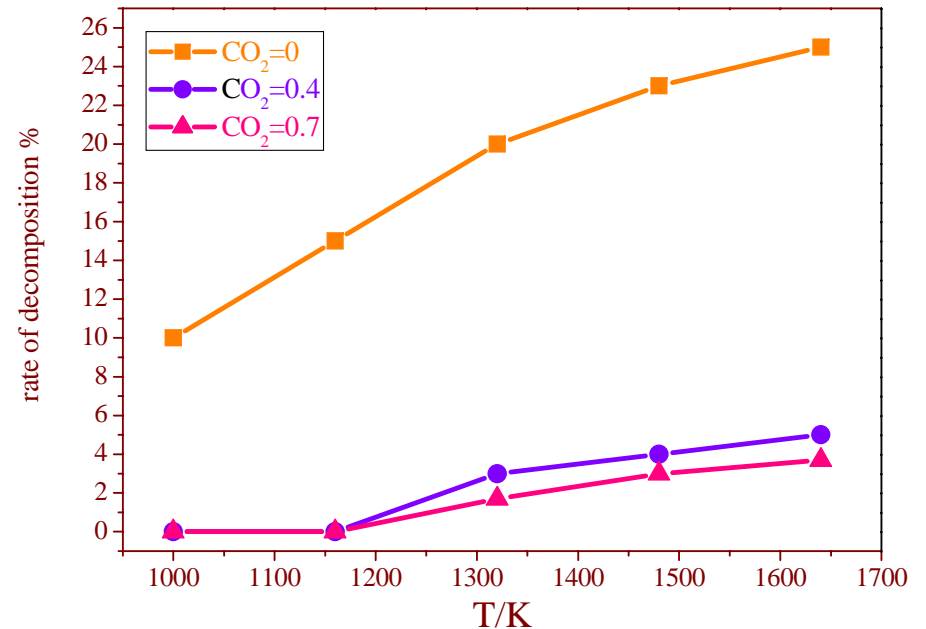
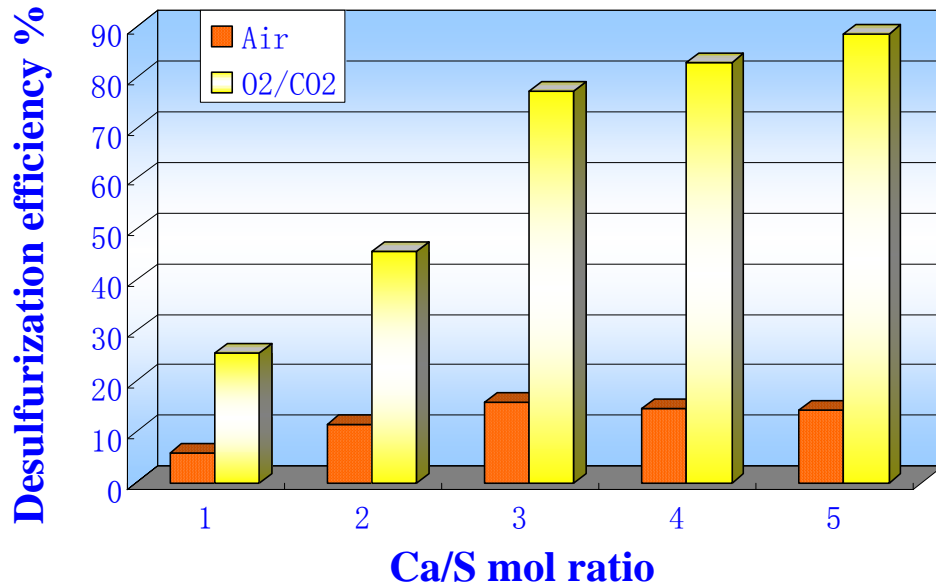
40% CO_2

SO₂ Emission



SO₂ emission decreased about 30-60% for different coals at different temperatures

SO₂ Removal by Limestone



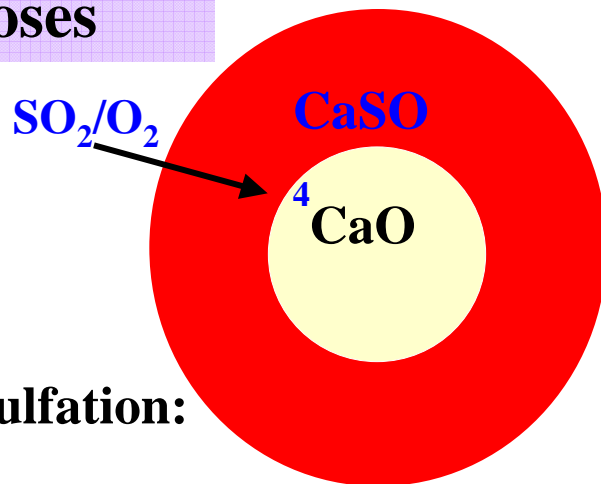
CaSO₄ decomposition

➤ The presence of high concentration CO₂ can improve the SO₂ removal efficiency with limestone injection.

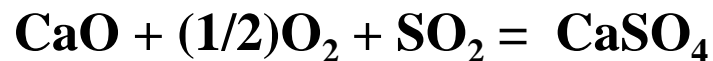
Fundamental Mechanisms

Low CO₂ concentration

CaCO₃
decomposes



Indirect sulfation:



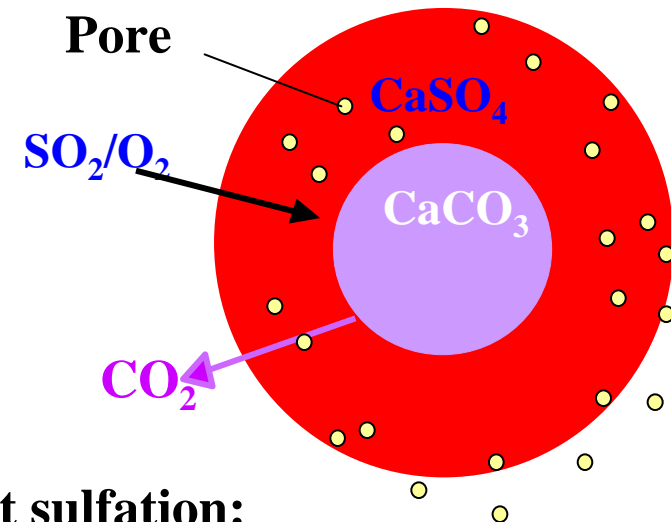
CaO Sintering

SO₂ is difficult to get into the particle

Low reaction rate

High CO₂ concentration

CaCO₃ does not decompose



Direct sulfation:



Sintering is mitigated

CO₂ formation and diffusion results in a porous product layer

SO₂ is easy to get into the particle



SO₂ reduction mechanism in Oxy-fuel recycle combustion system

Small amount of SO₂ emission

Small amount of exhausted gas

COS formation

SO₂ retention by CaO in the coal

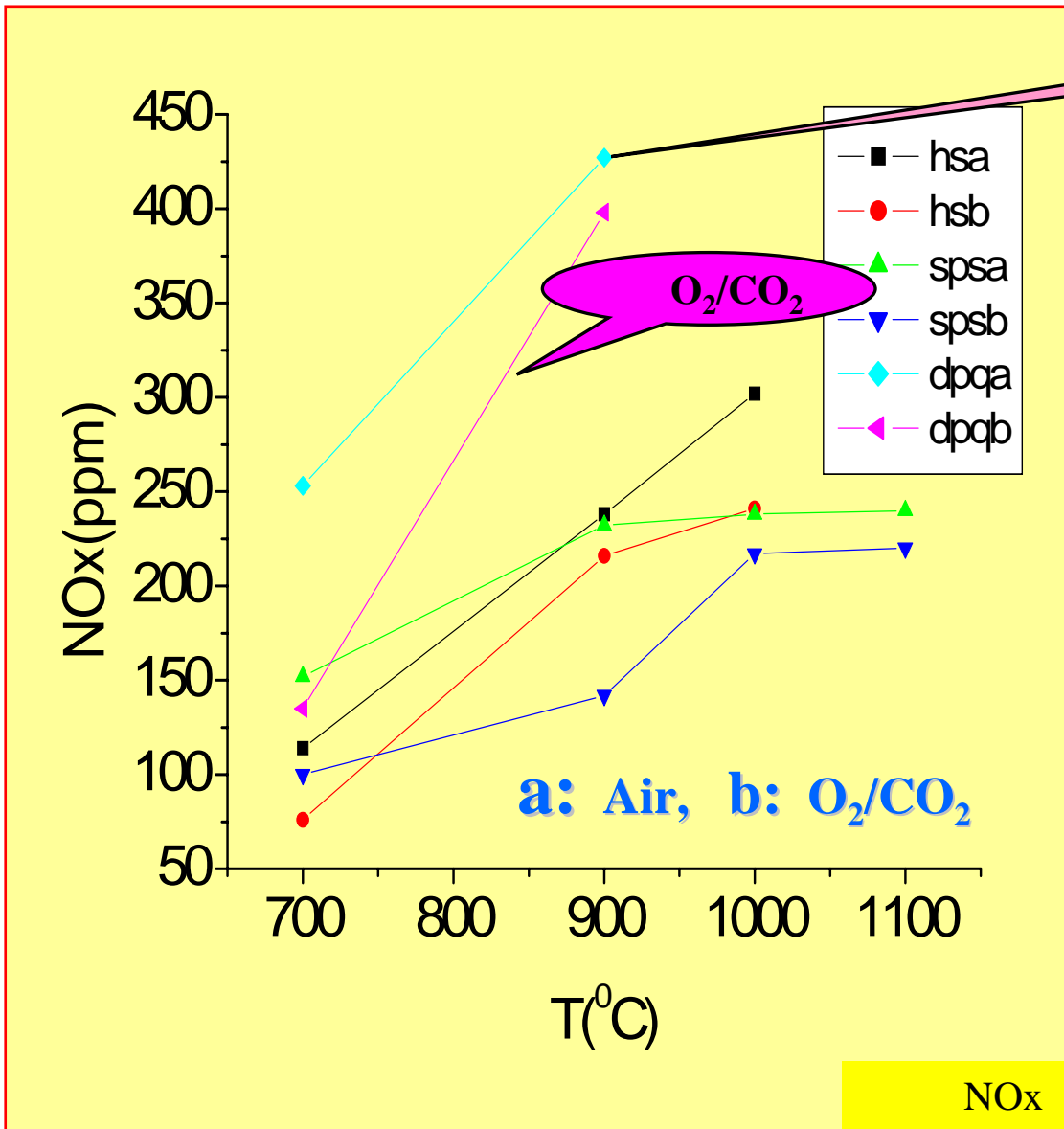
Higher Limestone desulfurization efficiency

Increase of η due to inhibition of CaSO₄ decomposition

Increase of η due to recirculation of flue gas (sorbents)

About four times longer than in conventional coal combustion owing to gas recirculation

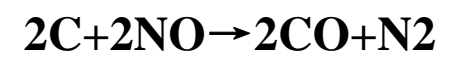
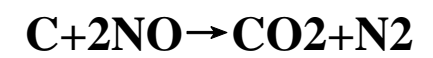
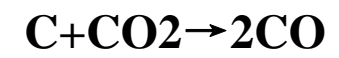
NOx Emission



air

O₂/CO₂

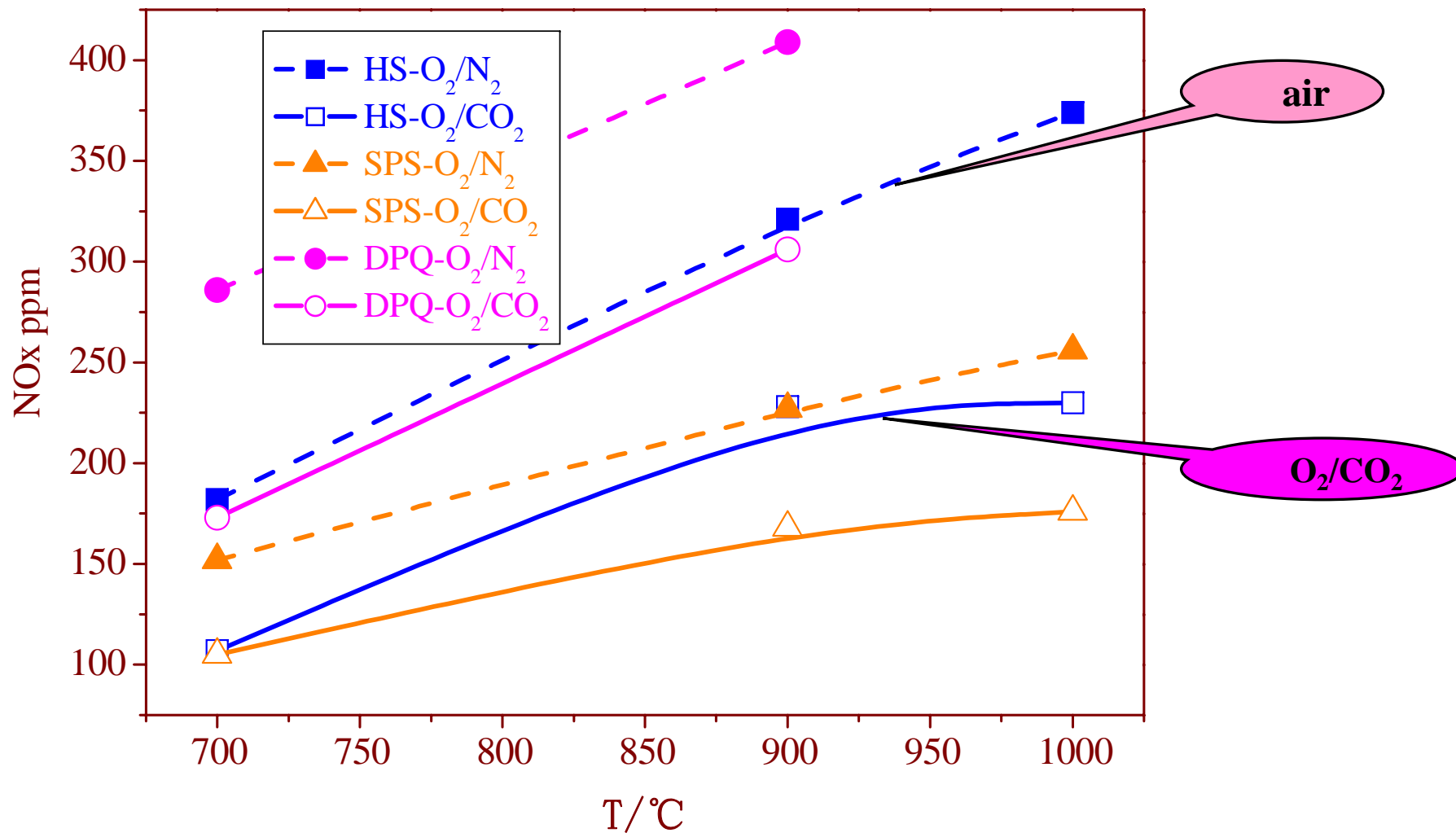
a: Air, b: O₂/CO₂



煤中矿物质尤其是Fe和Ca的存在对半焦与NO的反应有催化作用.

NOx emission decreased about 10-40% for different coals at different temperatures

NO_x Emission in Desulfurization



CaCO₃的存在对CO与NO的表面反应有催化作用。



NO reduction mechanism in Oxy-fuel recycle combustion system

Small amount of NO emission

Small amount of exhausted gas

No thermal NO

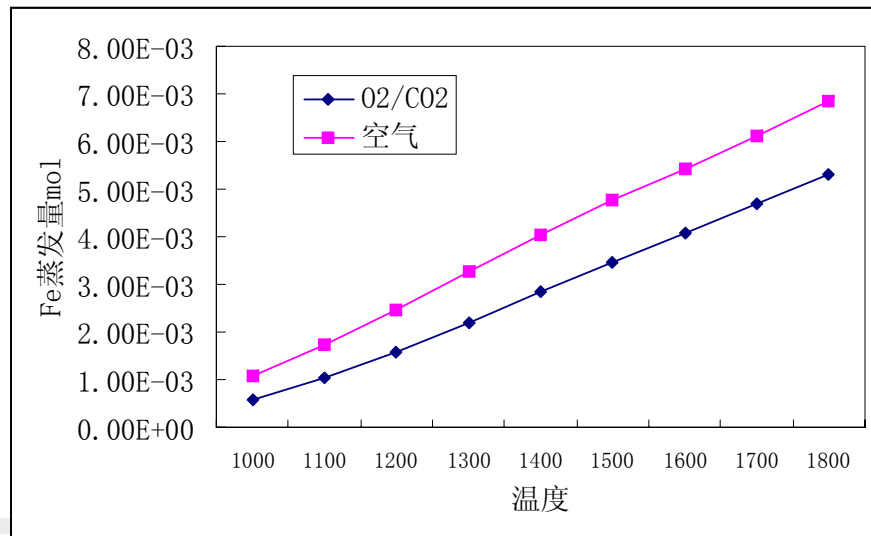
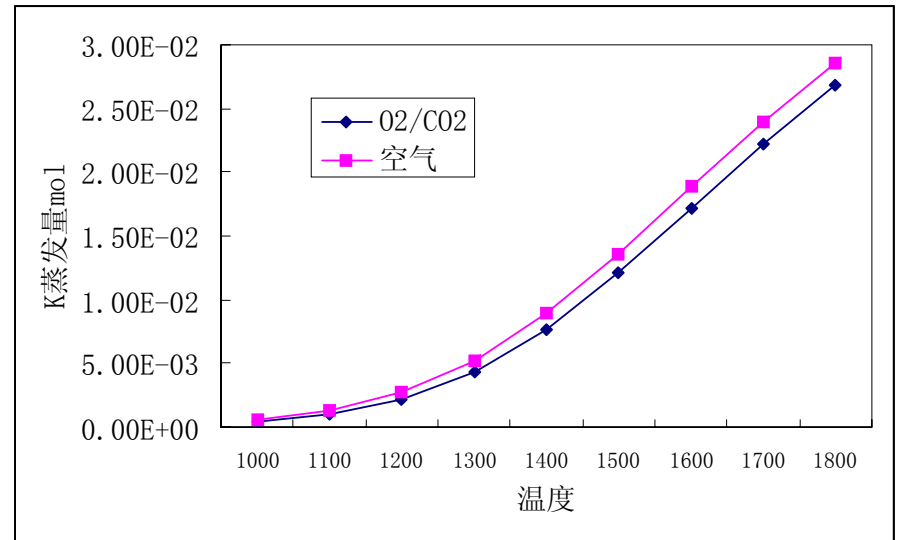
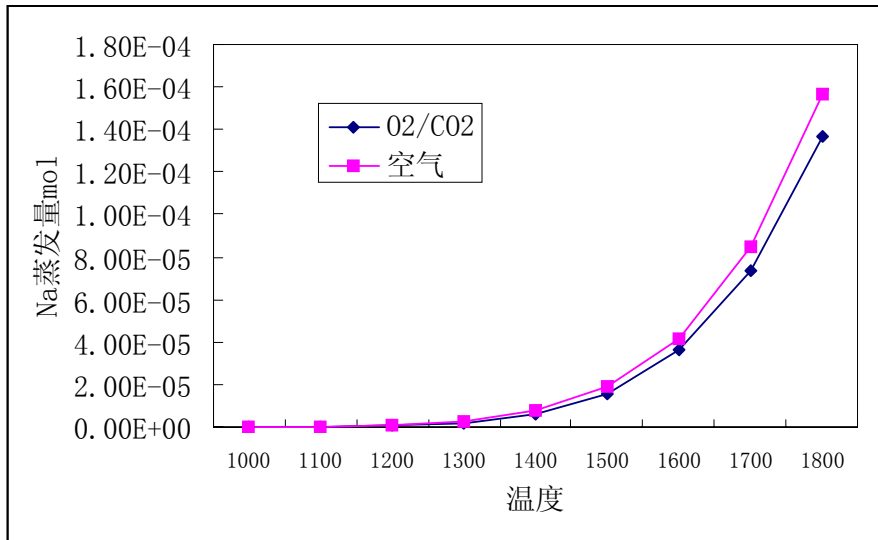
Decrease of N conversion due to increase of CO₂ concentration

Reduction of recycled NO in the furnace

Interaction between fuel-N and recycled NO



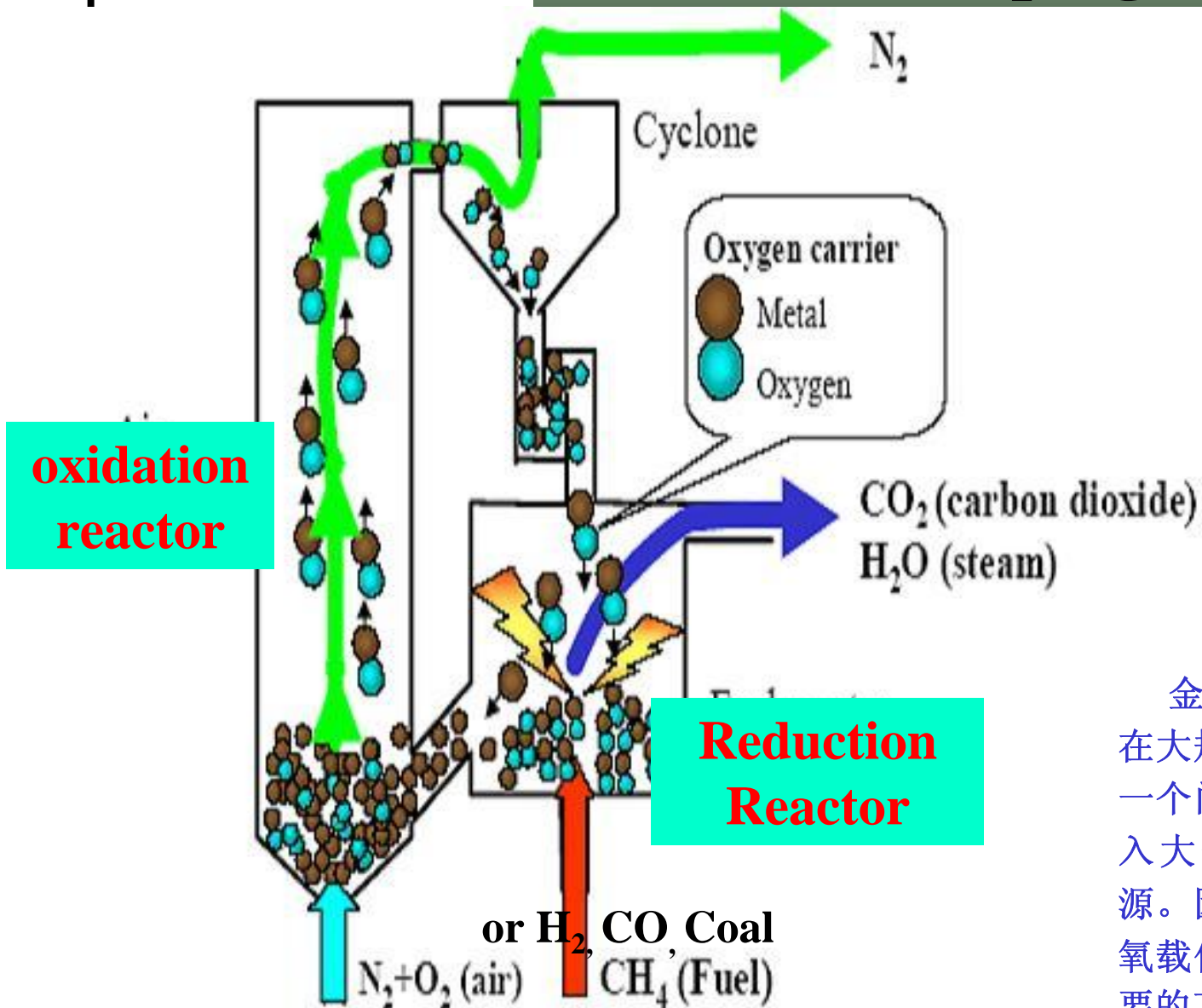
Mineral Transformation



Current Research and Progress in SKLCC

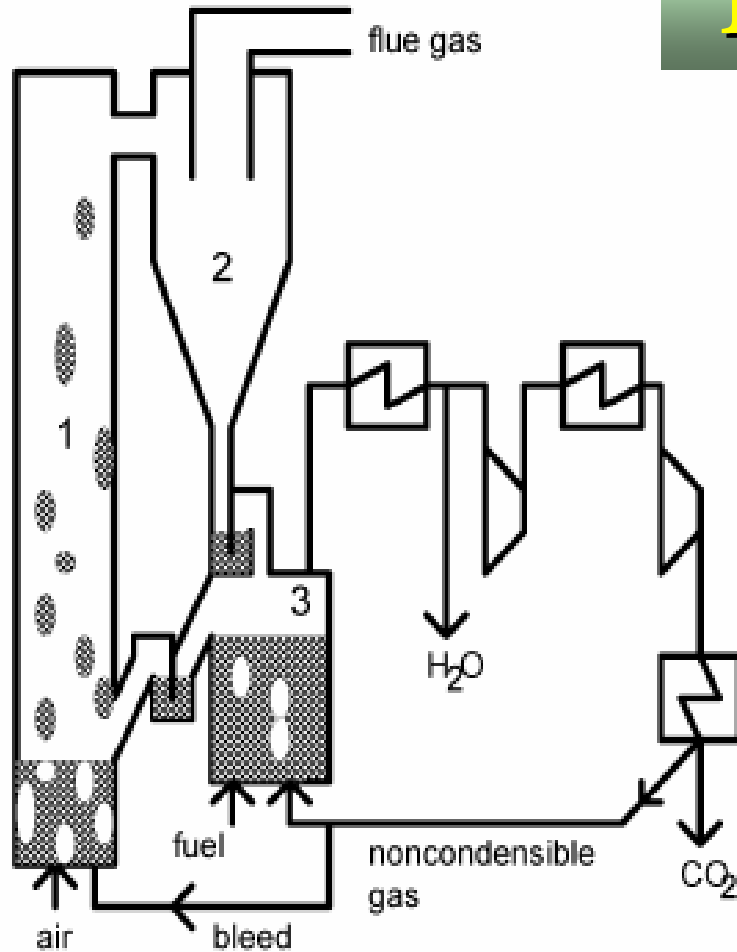
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Chemical Looping Combustion



金属氧化物作为氧载体在大规模应用中必须考虑的一个问题是金属氧化物会进入大气环境，为新的污染源。因此，探索新的非金属氧载体物质也是一项非常重要的工作。

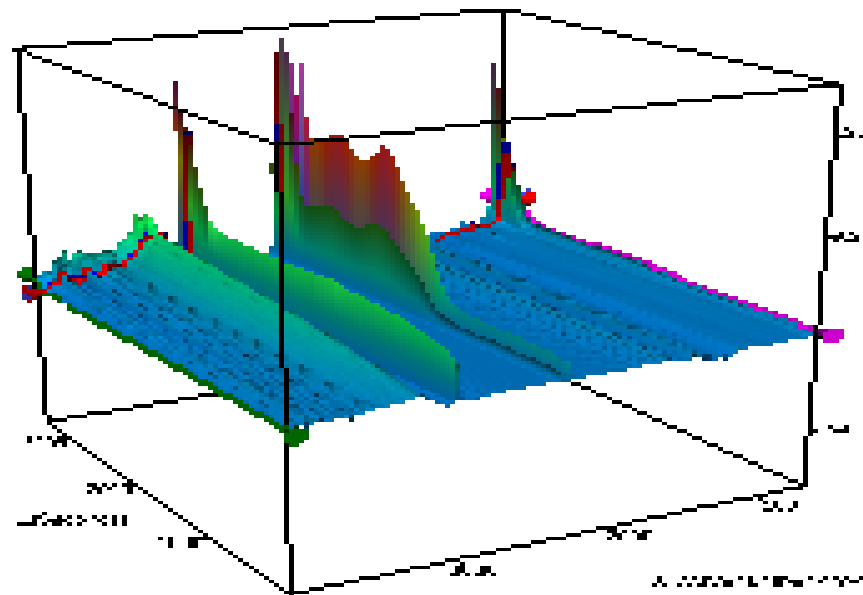
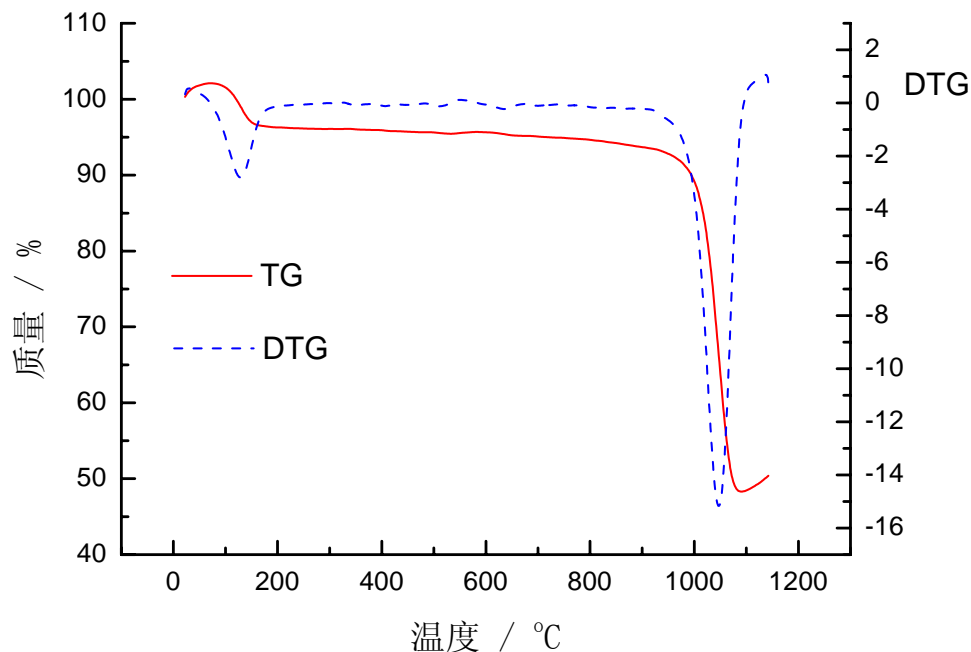
New Oxygen Carrier



New Oxygen Carrier is developed instead of metal Oxygen Carrier (NiO/Ni, Fe₂O₃/Fe₃O₄, CoO/Co, CuO/Cu, Mn₃O₄/MnO etc.)



A Novel non-metal oxides: no secondary pollution



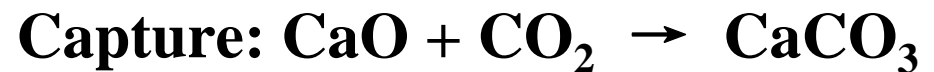
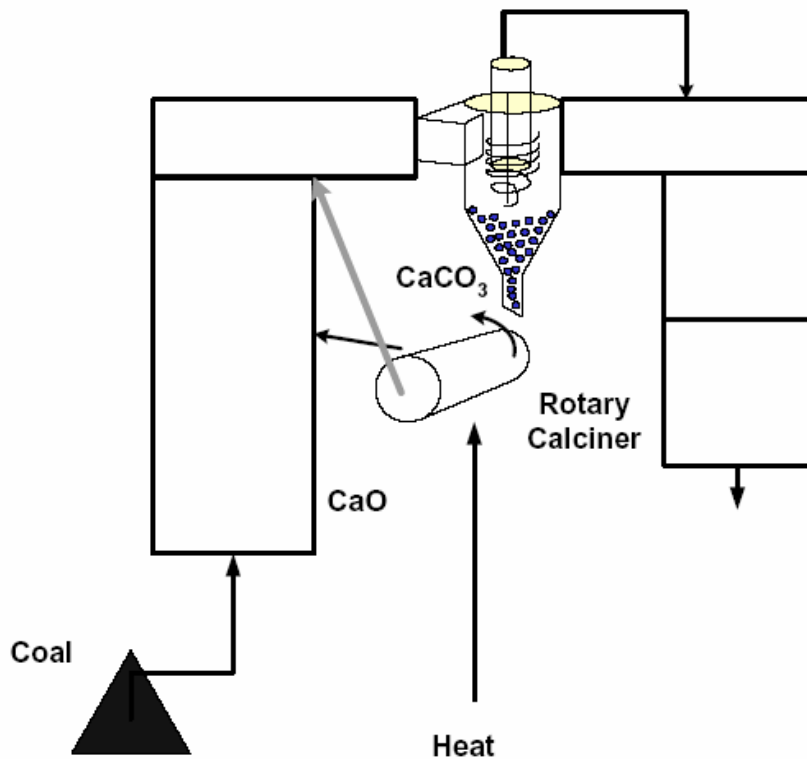
TG--FTIR experiment for reaction system of non-metal oxides with CH_4

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CO₂ Capture Technology Based on Carbonation/Calcination Reactions

I — CO₂ Capture During Combustion



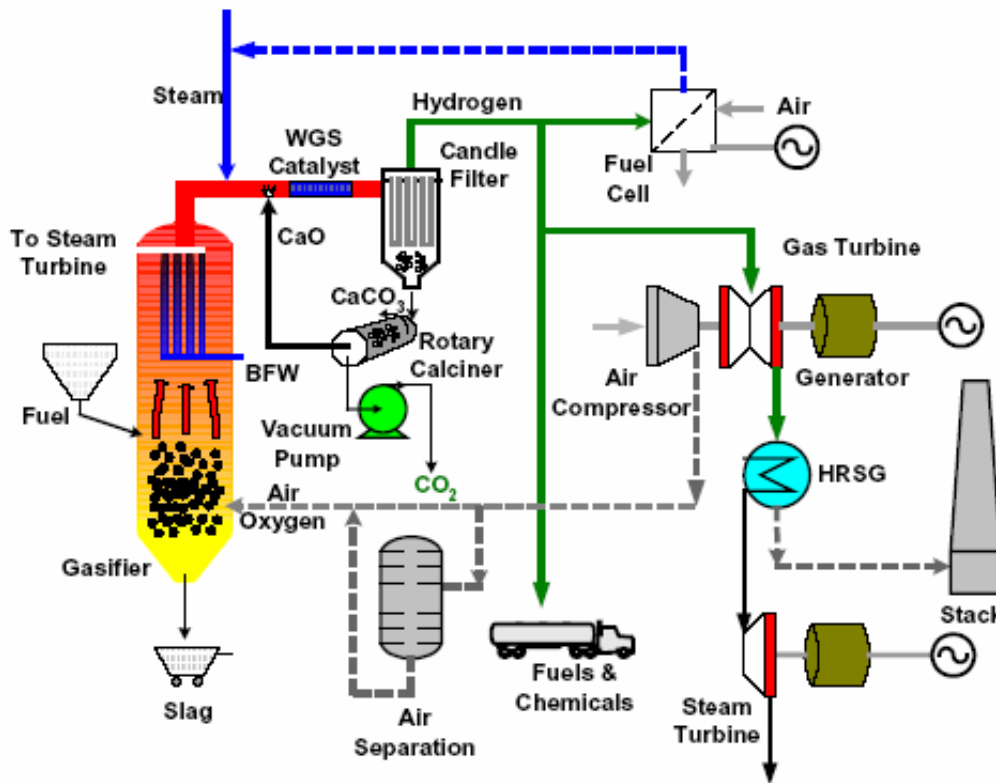
Separation Energy:

CCR process 84 kWh/ton CO₂

MEA process 203 kWh/ton CO₂

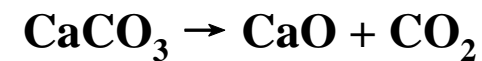
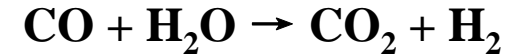
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II — CO₂ Capture During Gasification

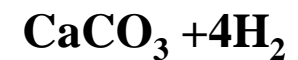


1) Syngas CO/H₂

Water Gas Shift Reaction:



2) CH₄ + 2H₂O + CaO →



Two-Core Reactions



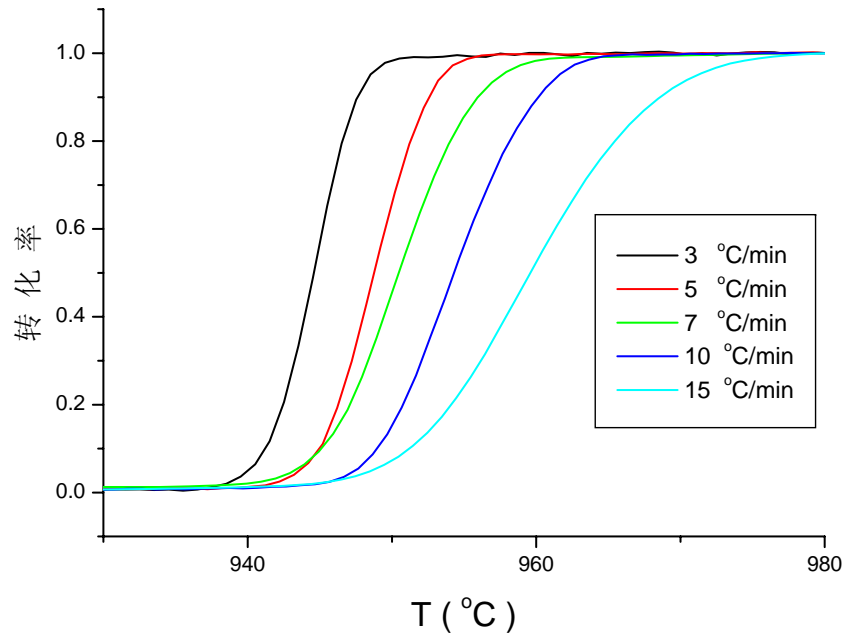
— Experimental Research

- Calcination Kinetics at CO₂ and N₂ atmosphere
- Carbonation Reaction

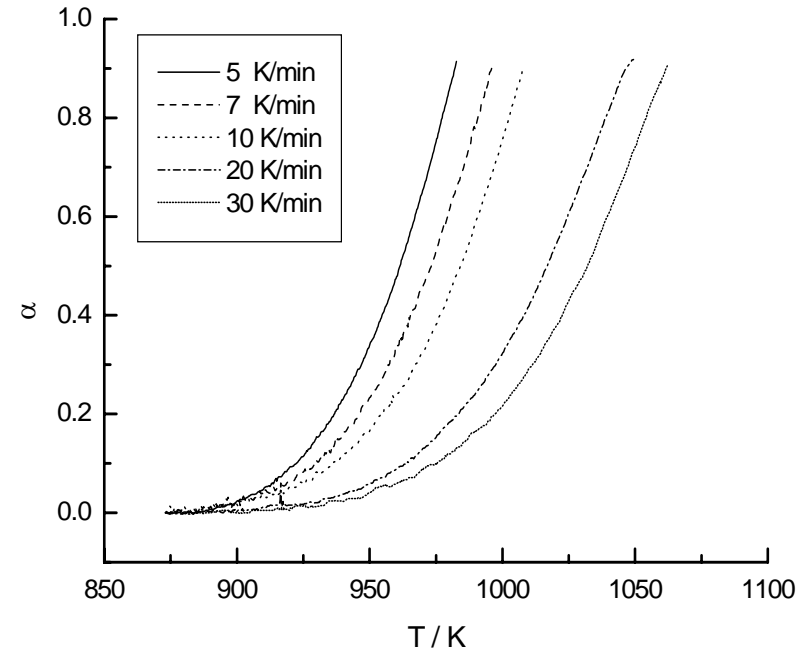
— Numerical Simulation

- Calcination model for dispersed limestone particle (弥散石灰石煅烧模型)
- Fractal model for dispersed limestone decomposition (石灰石分解的分
数维模型)
- Freedom pore model for carbonation of CaO under high
pressure (高压下的随机孔模型)

Calcination Kinetics at CO₂ and N₂ Atmosphere



CO₂

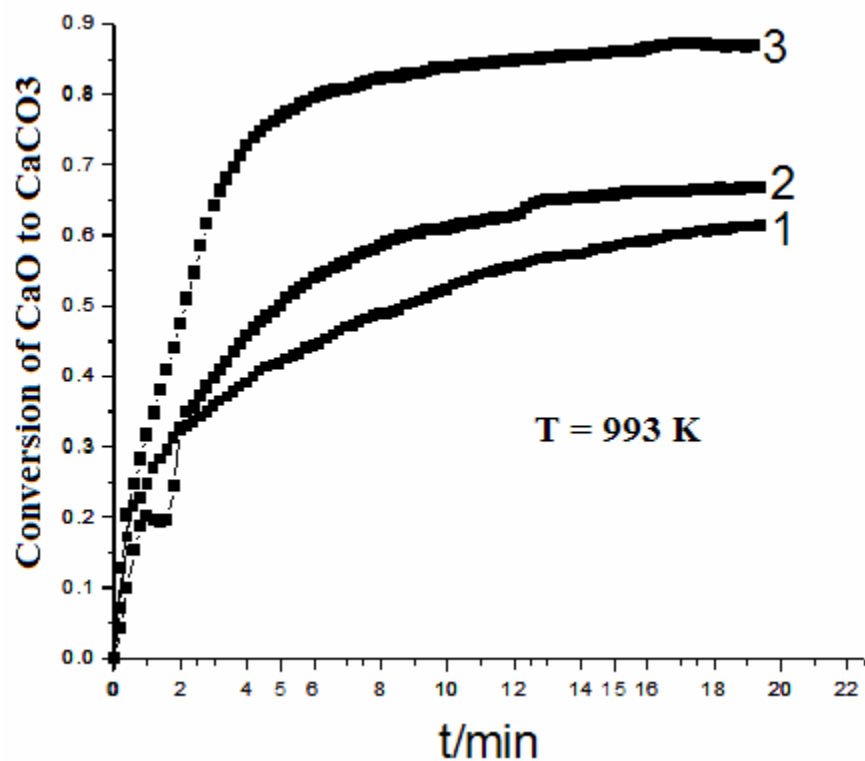


N₂

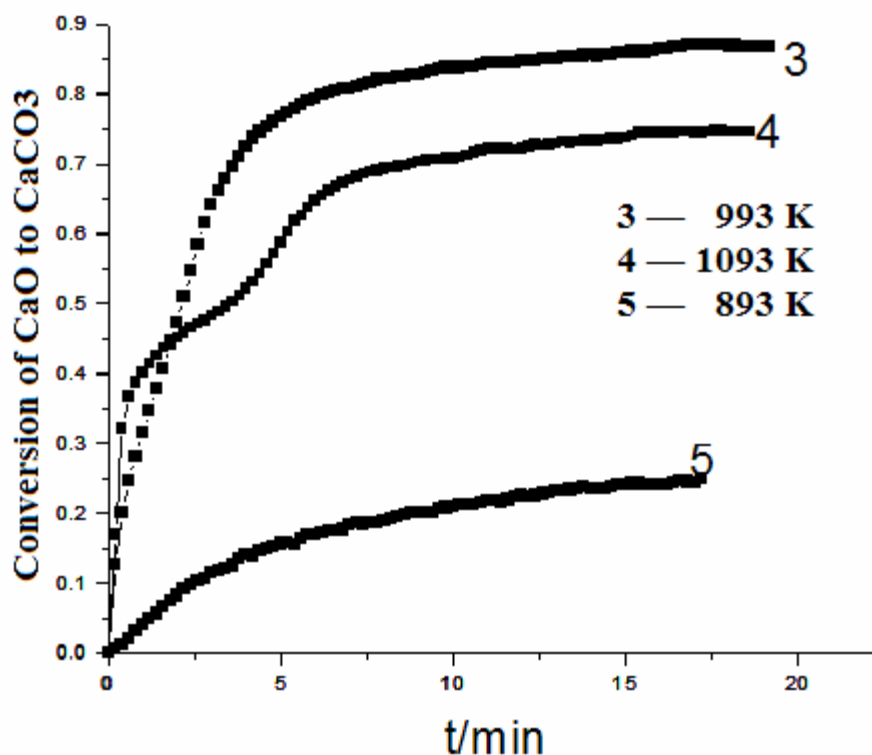
$n=2/3$, mechanistic function

CO₂ atmosphere, $E_{\alpha \rightarrow 0}=975.38\text{kJ/mol}$; N₂atmosphere, $E_{\alpha \rightarrow 0}=243.62\text{kJ/mol}$

Carbonation Characteristic of CaO



CaO conversion ratio vs. CO₂ concentration

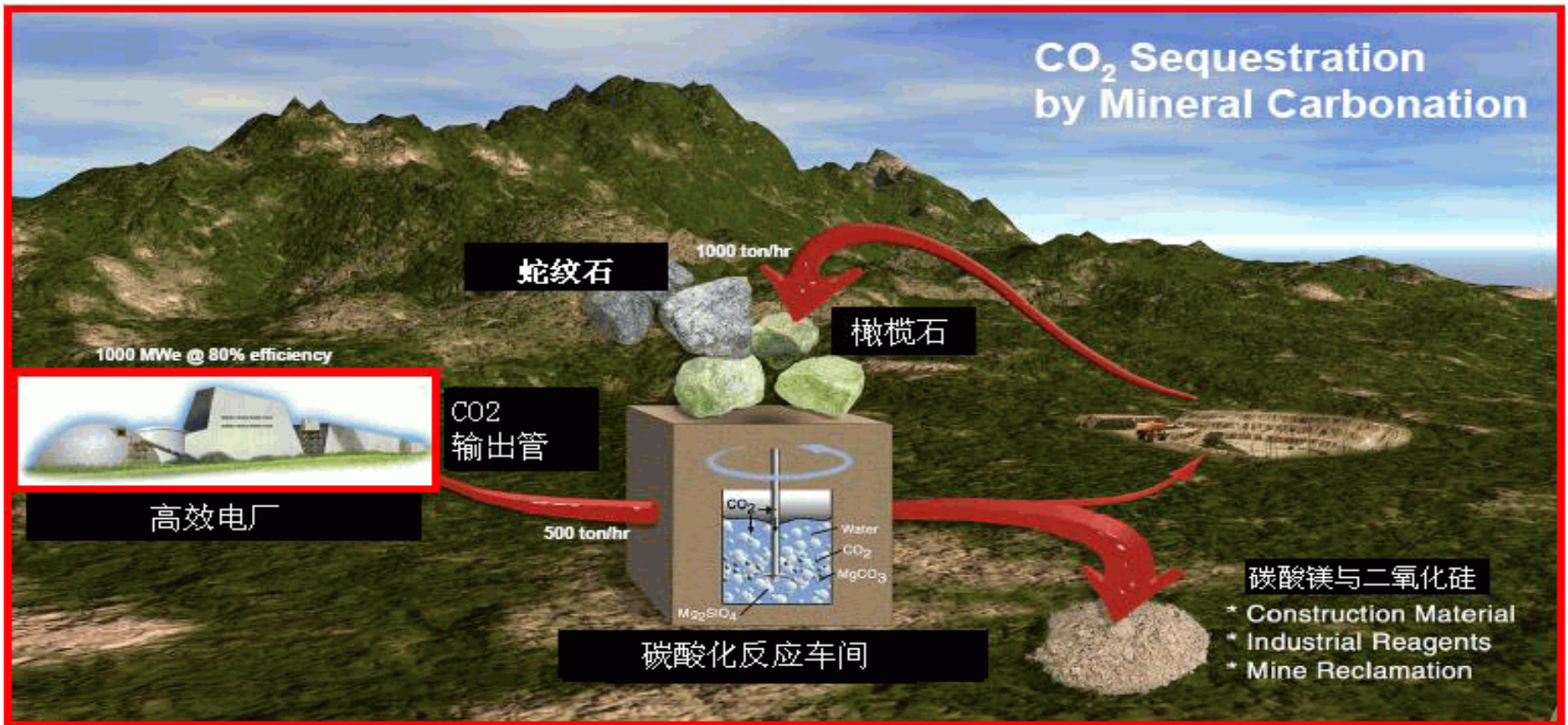


CaO conversion ratio vs. temperature

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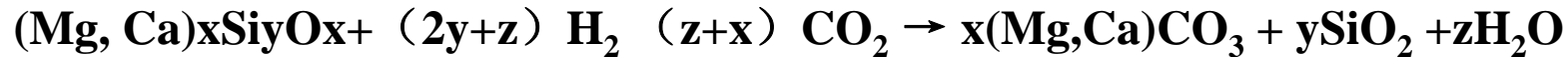
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CO₂ Sequestration by Mineral Carbonation



该技术原理是基于CO₂与矿物在一定条件下反应生成稳定、无污染的碳酸盐，以实现二氧化碳的储存。例如CO₂与硅酸盐矿物反应生成碳酸盐，二氧化硅和水并且放出热量。

The family of reactions:

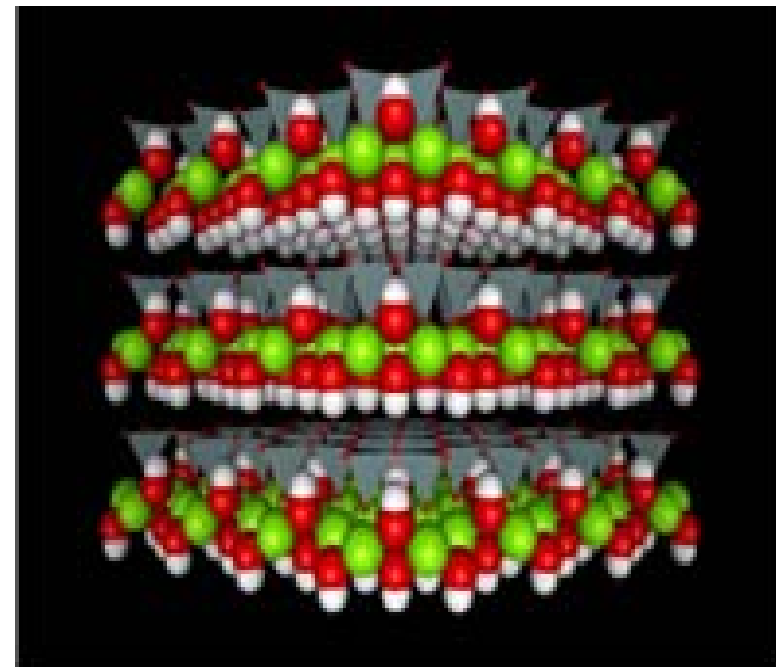


Serpentine:

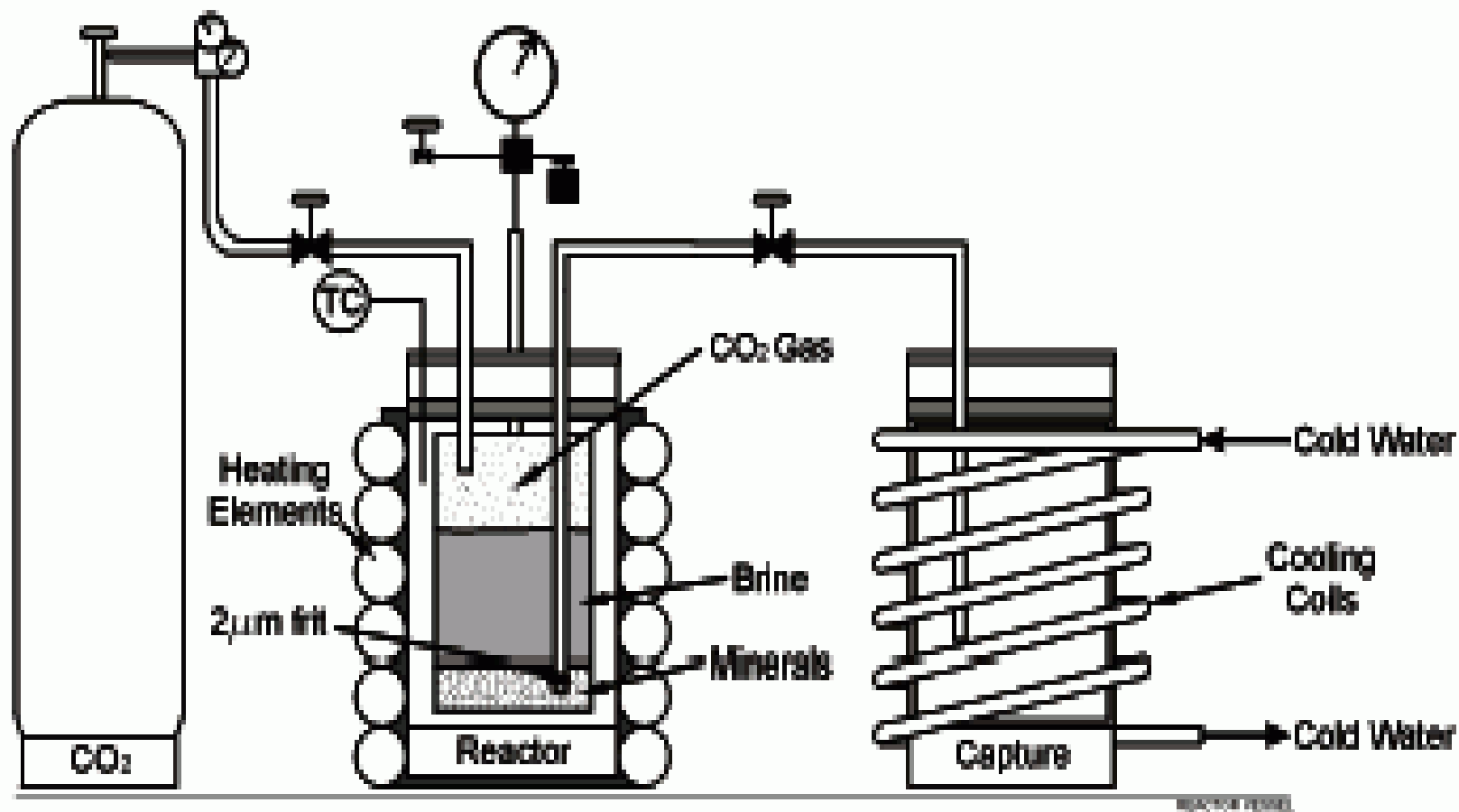
- MgO **38-45%** (wt%)
- Fe₂O₃ **35-8%** (wt%)
- H₂O **13%** (wt%)
- Reaction releases heat : + **64 kJ/mole**
- **One ton** of serpentine can dispose of approximately **one-half ton** of CO₂

Olivine:

- MgO **45-50%** (wt%)
- Fe₂O₃ **6-10%** (wt%)
- Reaction releases heat: + **95 kJ/mole**
- **One ton** of olivine can dispose of approximately **two-thirds of a ton** of CO₂

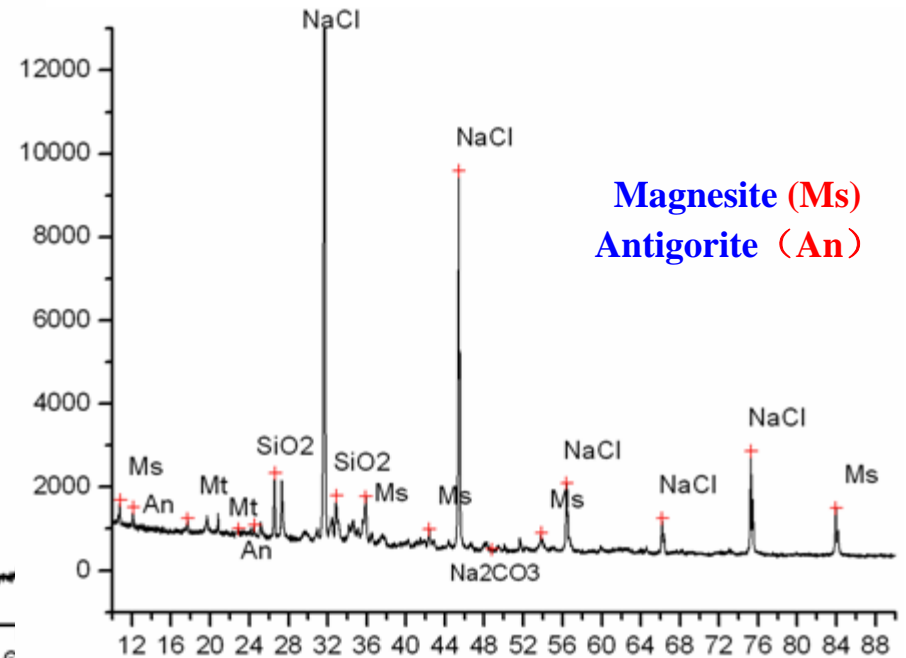
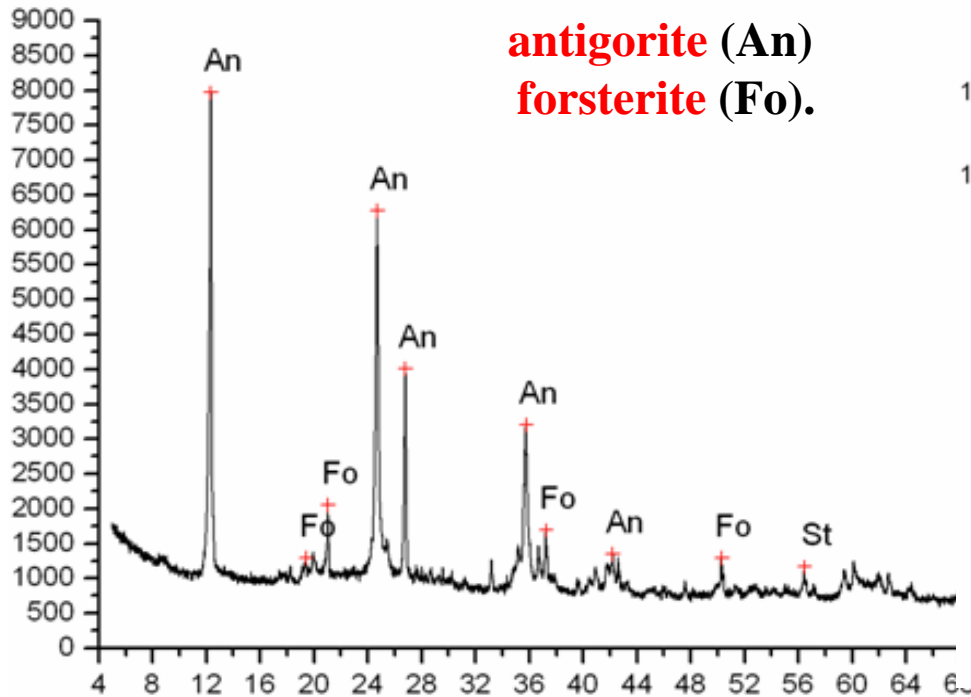


The structural model of Serpentine (antigorite)

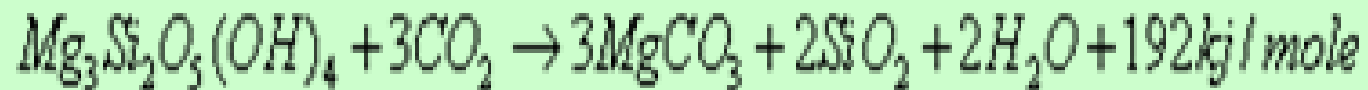


※ **问题:** 1) 碳酸化速率太慢; 2) 能耗高, 隔离成本大。

※ **解决途径:** 减小颗粒粒径、添加催化溶液、表面预处理。

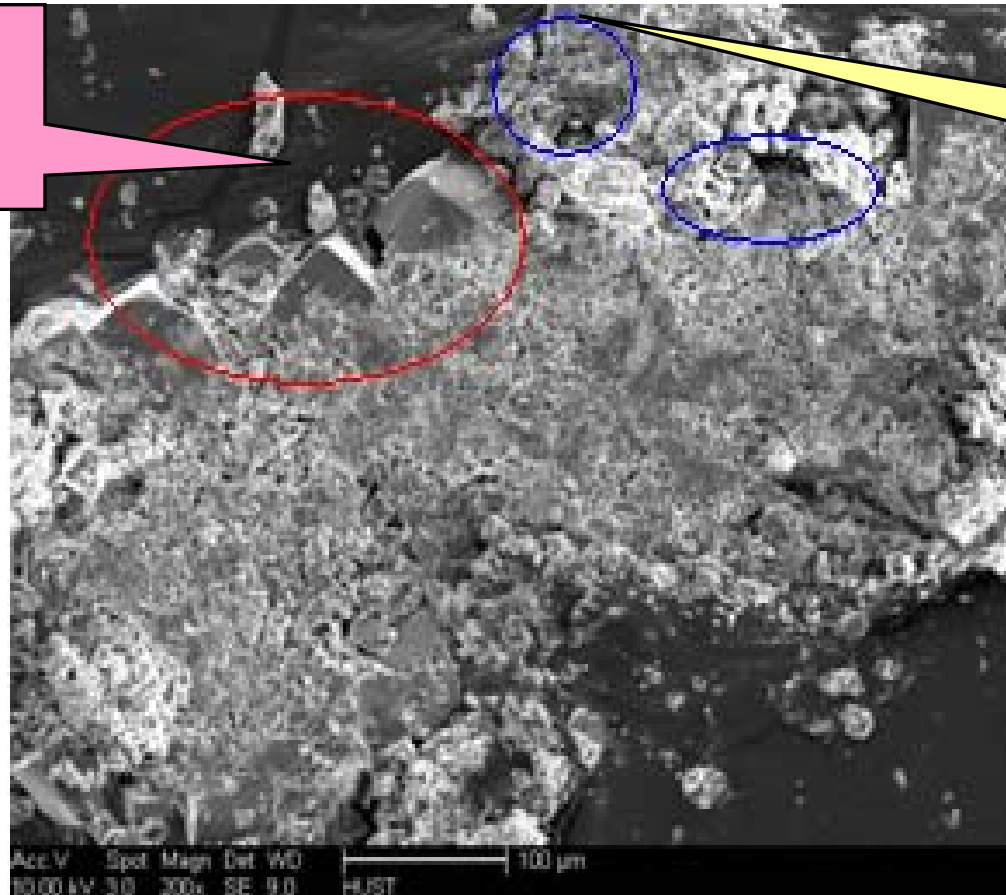


X-ray diffraction pattern for serpentine HT 650 feed ample and reaction



Serpentine HT-650 reaction products

rhombohedral
magnesite
crystals (菱铁矿)



serpentine (蛇
纹石)

- Sample was from an experiment in which the serpentine (**heat treated at 650°C for**
- **2 hrs**) was exposed in a stirred autoclave to an aqueous solution of **sodium**
- **bicarbonate and sodium chloride** for **one-half hour** at **T=155°C** and **P_{CO₂}=100 atm**.

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Ongoing and future works

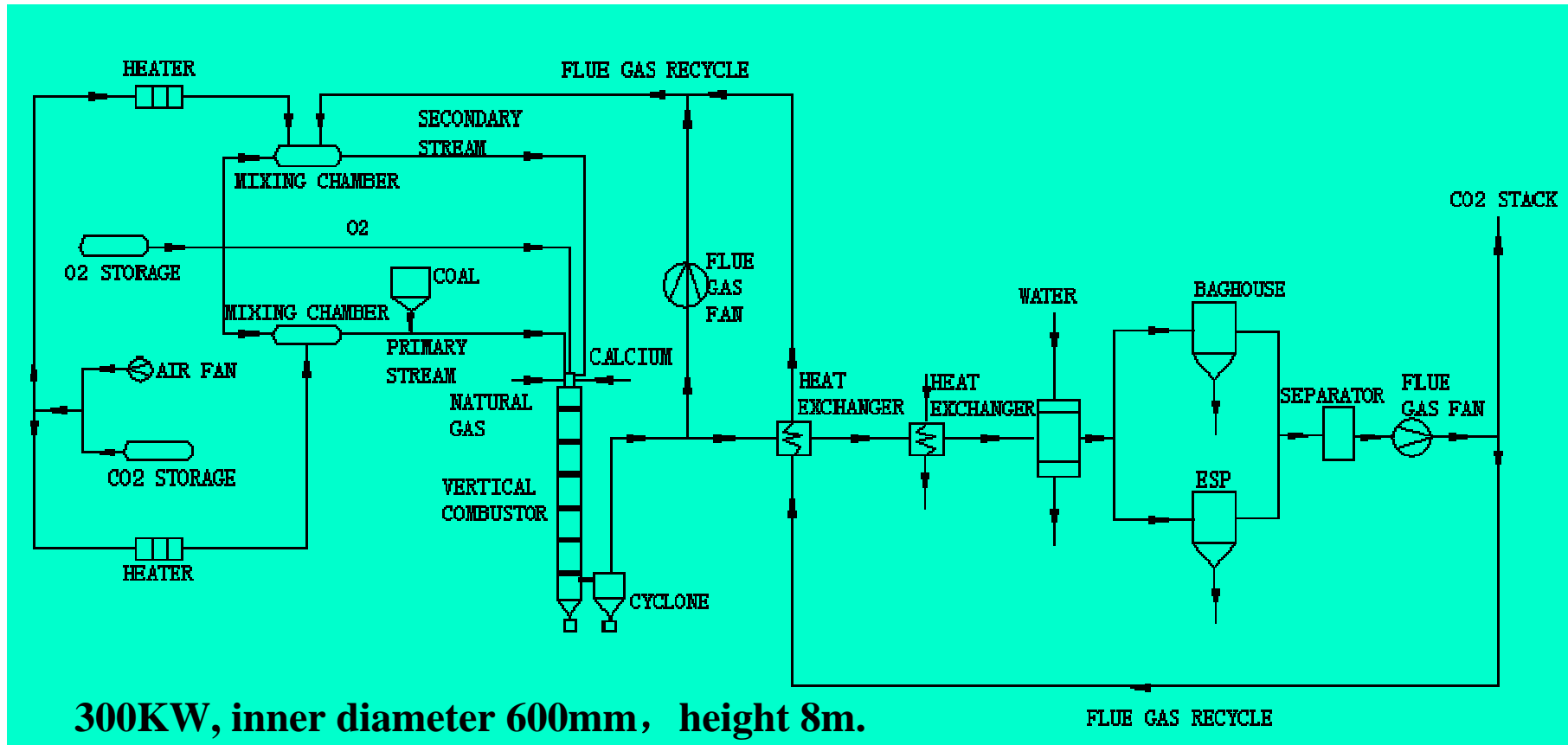
- Oxy-fuel recycle combustion
- Chemical Looping Combustion fueled by coal
- Explore other CO₂ capture and Sequestration method

Grant: 985 Program---Clean Combustion & Thermal Energy Conversion

Funding: RMB 12 Million

Oxy-fuel recycle combustion system

- Pilot-Scale flow chart (under construction)



Detect CO₂ concentration . (recycle ratio)

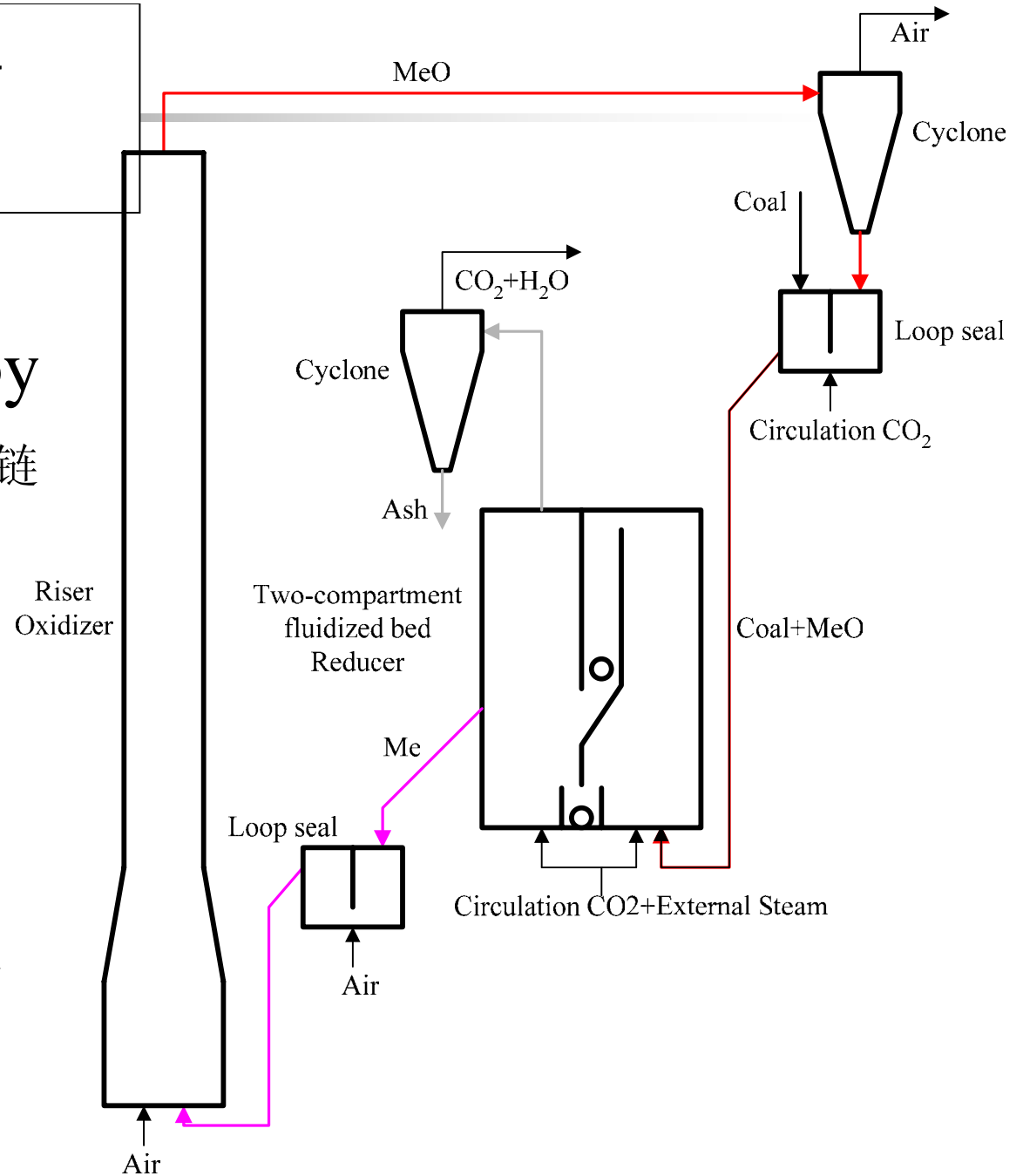
Combustion behavior for typical Chinese coals (is feasible for retrofit application?)

SO₂/NO_x emission and Control, ash deposition

Future work

Chemical Looping
Combustion fueled by
coal(以煤直接为燃料的化学链
燃烧系统)

a riser type oxidizer
reactor, a bubbling,
two-compartment,
pressurized fluidized
reduction reactor





Thank You!
