

## ABSTRACT AND REFERENCES

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**LASER OPTOACOUSTIC METHOD FOR**  
**INVESTIGATION OF SOME PHYSICAL**  
**PARAMETERS OF OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS (p. 4-8)**

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An operational laser optoacoustic method, which allows simultaneous determination of the light absorption coefficient and the speed of sound in oil and oil products is proposed and experimentally implemented. These values are the most important parameters of oil. The existing traditional methods for measuring these quantities are complex, as they involve the use of quartz converters, optics, etc. The method is based on investigating the front of the optoacoustic signal and measuring the speed of acoustic pulses in the samples. Acoustic pulses are produced by the thermo-optical mechanism of ultrasound excitation when the radiation pulse of a neodymium laser falls at a wavelength of 1.06  $\mu\text{m}$  for  $\sim 20$  ns on the surface of the medium. The resulting temperature gradient causes additional mechanical stresses. These stresses are the sources of acoustic waves that propagate from the heat-release zone. Since the leading edge of the pulse is formed by a straight wave propagating directly from the border, its profile repeats the spatial distribution of stress sources. For a homogeneous liquid, the theoretically calculated form of the thermo-acoustic compression pulse has a simple form  $p' \sim \exp(-\alpha z)$  ( $p'$  is the excess pressure in the depth  $z$  of the medium, and  $\alpha$  is the absorption coefficient of the laser radiation in the medium).

The measured values of the absorption coefficient for various oils were 2–40  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Based on the proposed method, the method for determining the temperature coefficient of sound speed and oil tarness was developed.

**Keywords:** optoacoustic signal, light absorption coefficient, acoustic signal, sound speed.

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**CALCULATION OF SOUND POWER LEVEL OF**  
**TANDEM AXIAL FAN (p. 8-12)**

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A numerical simulation of the flow in axial fans with single and tandem geometrically equivalent blade rows was carried out. During the research, the sound power level of the fans was calculated. The acoustic characteristics of the single fan obtained in the numerical experiment were compared with the results of the physical experiment. The divergence between the results of the physical and numerical experiments on the sound power level for the first harmonic is 0.08 %, for the second harmonic – 0.35 %. In order to reduce the acoustic emission, a 3D model of the axial fan with the geometrically equivalent tandem row was constructed. The results showed that at the fan rotation frequency of 900 rpm, the sound power level on the first two harmonics is reduced by more than 7 dB. Also, the change in the total sound power level for axial single and tandem fans in the rotation frequency range of 900 to 1,500 rpm was investigated. The fan with the geometrically equivalent tandem blade row has the total sound power level by 6.9...7.4 dB lower than the single fan. The use of the tandem axial fan allows improving acoustic characteristics.

**Keywords:** flow simulation, sound power level, tandem fan, tonal noise.

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### SYNTHESIZING THE SCHEMES OF MULTIFUNCTIONAL MEASURING TRANSDUCERS OF THE FLUID PARAMETERS (p. 13-22)

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A procedure for mathematical description of throttle matrices of various sizes in a form of graphs was developed which makes it possible to get all possible schemes with various measuring channels based on a throttle matrix of a certain size. By applying the elements of combinatorics, formulas were derived for finding the number of connections of throttle elements in the matrix, the number of all measuring channels, the number of all variants of construction of the measuring transducers based on a throttle matrix of a certain size. A generalized mathematical model of the throttle matrix was worked out which forms the basis for analysis of functional capabilities of the measuring transducer schemes.

Principles of synthesis of schemes of multifunctional hydrodynamic measuring transducers based on throttle matrices were worked out. In accordance with the proposed principles, a throttle matrix of a certain size is chosen taking into account the number of measured parameters, fluid properties and requirements to the transducer accuracy or sensitivity. The throttle matrix is represented as a loaded graph with transform functions for each of the measuring channels. On the basis of the obtained graph and the general mathematical model of the matrix, a scheme and a mathematical model of the multifunctional measuring transducer of specified parameters of the fluid were synthesized. The obtained results enable algorithmization of the process of the measuring transducer scheme synthesis.

The practical value of the performed studies consists in a synthesis of all possible schemes based on the throttle matrices with various measuring channels and a construction of measuring transducers with various functional capabilities and characteristics based on these matrices. By analyzing transform functions of each measuring channel of the throttle matrix of a certain size, one can choose an option for constructing a measuring transducer of one or more parameters with given functional capabilities and characteristics.

The developed principles of synthesis of measuring schemes based on the throttle matrix can be used for construction of mul-

tifunctional hydrogasdynamic measuring transducers of physical and mechanical parameters of various media.

**Keywords:** throttle matrix, graph theory, measuring scheme, hydrodynamic measuring transducer.

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### RESEARCH INTO EFFECT OF ELECTROCHEMICAL ETCHING CONDITIONS ON THE MORPHOLOGY OF POROUS GALLIUM ARSENIDE (p. 22-31)

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The method for the formation of porous gallium arsenide in a solution of hydrochloric acid was improved. The goal of present research was to establish correlation between conditions of electrochemical etching of gallium arsenide crystals and morphology of low-dimensional structures. Porous layers were formed by the method of electrochemical etching in a solution of hydrochloric acid. The mode of electrolyte agitation was applied. This makes it possible to avoid the formation of bubbles on the surface of the crystal during etching and leads to the formation of regular porous space. Basic regularities in the formation of porous spaces were studied. It was shown that morphological properties of porous GaAs depend on etching conditions.

The effect was explored of current density on the thickness of a porous layer and diameter of pores. It was established that the composition and concentration of electrolyte correlate with surface porosity and affect the rate of crystal dissolution reaction. Etching time determines thickness of a porous layer and surface porosity. Chemical composition of porous GaAs was explored. An oxide layer was not formed on the surface of the examined samples; oxygen was present only in small concentrations. Stoichiometry of the samples was disrupted towards an excess of gallium atoms.

**Keywords:** gallium arsenide, electrochemical etching, morphology, porous semiconductors, etching conditions.

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**DEVELOPMENT OF THE METHOD OF APPROXIMATE SOLUTION TO THE NONSTATIONARY PROBLEM ON HEAT TRANSFER THROUGH A FLAT WALL (p. 31-40)**

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In the present work, we propose a method for approximate analytical solution to the nonstationary problem of heat transfer

through a flat wall in the concentrated statement. In the course of the study, three issues were consistently addressed:

- 1) symmetrical heating of a body,
- 2) asymmetrical heating,
- 3) nonstationary heat transfer.

At the first stage, we solved in approximate analytical statement the problem on symmetrical heating of a plate. The solution obtained has an error. The availability in the scientific literature of exact analytical solution, in a distributed (one-dimensional) statement, allowed us to assess the accuracy of the obtained approximate solution. It does not exceed the limits permissible for engineering calculations. A special feature of the developed method is the possibility of its application as an integral part in solving the problems on nonstationary heat transfer.

At the second stage, we solved a problem on asymmetrical heating of a plate. By using numerical study, the character of displacement of the minimum in temperature profile for thickness of the plate was identified. This made it possible, when applying the method developed at the previous stage, to obtain a solution to the problem on asymmetrical heating of the body. A special feature of the solutions is the developed approach to determining position of the temperature minimum for thickness of the plate. Such an approach was employed as another constituent part for solving a problem on nonstationary heat transfer.

At the third stage, numerical study allowed us to identify a characteristic point of varying temperature profile and the trajectory of its motion in the process of nonstationary heat transfer. Based on these data and applying the developed method, we demonstrated the possibility of approximate analytical solution to the problem on nonstationary heat transfer through a flat wall.

In all cases, when the exact solutions were lacking, assessment of error in approximate representation was conducted by comparing with the results of numerical calculations. The error did not exceed 6 %.

**Keywords:** non-stationary heat transfer, energy accumulation, flat wall, analytical calculation, approximate solution.

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## DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTIES OF SPRAY FLOW AND NATURE OF PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION IN ELECTRIC ARC METALIZATION (p. 41-49)

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The results of the research on electric arc metallization in the form of a technique and installation, which allow modeling various positions of the electrodes in the spray jet are presented. Direct measurements of the total pressure in the local zone between the ends of the electrodes used for arc metallization are made.

The research allows obtaining coatings with refractory oxides, with a large number of alloying elements. These measures will increase their wear resistance.

Thus, for 2.4 mm electrodes with a gas pressure at the spraying system inlet of the arc spraying pistol  $P_{\text{inlet}}=0.5\pm 0.05$  MPa and the absence of a gap between the inner parts

of the electrode ends in the center of the interelectrode gap, rarefaction is created. The rarefaction value reaches 0.044 MPa. With the gap increase, the degree of pressure drop decreases: when the gap varies from 0 to 1.0 mm, the pressure in the center between the electrode ends varies within 0.044...0.16 MPa. With a gap between the electrode ends of 2 mm or more, the pressure drop is negligible. The characteristic changes in the spray jet structure in the presence of electrodes are confirmed by the results of shadow photography. The results obtained allowed making adjustments to the process flow diagram of electric arc metallization, with the specification of the presence of the zone of air flow around the electrodes and pressure drop in the interelectrode gap. Optimum conditions for the arc functioning are achieved with such a ratio of the rates of feeding and melting of the electrodes, when the gap between the inner surfaces of the ends is within 0.5...1.0 mm.

The proposed technology will allow restoring the working surfaces of parts of machines and mechanisms in mechanical engineering, agriculture, car building.

**Keywords:** electric arc metallization, flux-cored rod, alloying, gas medium, spray jet.

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**INVESTIGATION OF THE EFFECT OF**  
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**SUSPENSIONS ON THE PARAMETERS OF THE**  
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In the course of present study, we have investigated patterns of connection between fluctuations in the number and size of particles, suspended in a fluid, and characteristics of the field of volumetric ultrasonic waves.

The presence of particles of the solid phase and gas bubbles introduces certain features to the process of attenuation and scattering of ultrasonic wave energy. The scattering of waves on the solid phase particles becomes considerable when the wavelength is commensurate with the size of the particles themselves.

In order to characterize the absorption and scattering of acoustic oscillations by oscillating gas bubbles, we applied the concepts of effective cross-sections of damping, absorption and scattering. The dependence is presented of the magnitude of cross-section of ultrasound damping by air bubbles on frequency of the sound wave.

It was established that the magnitude of attenuation of volumetric ultrasonic oscillations of high frequency ( $\geq 5$  MHz) in an actual pulp depends almost only on the concentration of the solid phase and particle size of the crushed material.

The frequency of volumetric ultrasonic waves, at which the components of their absorption and scattering by particles of the solid phase in suspension are equal, characterizes the average particle size. A given frequency does not depend on the particle concentration and can be applied to estimate their mean size.

**Keywords:** gas bubbles, ore enrichment, volumetric ultrasound waves, particle distribution, characteristics of pulp.

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We report theoretical study on the distribution of electromagnetic field in biological objects. To perform the analysis, we selected multilayer bio-objects the size less than a wavelength of the irradiating field. In order to investigate diffraction of electromagnetic wave on the biological objects of a given type, we used integral Maxwell equations in combination with boundary conditions both at the border of the object's layers and at the border of a guiding electrodynamic structure.

A theoretical research into creation of a waveguide system was conducted for the irradiation of biological objects with dimensions less than a wavelength of the irradiating field. The waveguide system employed two diffusers: a biological object and a metallic sphere. Location of the bio-object was permanent while the sphere could move along a section of the waveguide. The result of research is the obtained dependence of reflectance coefficient on the distance between diffusers. Reflectance coefficient was obtained for frequency 58.6 GHz, waveguide dimensions  $d=10.668$  mm,  $h=4.318$  mm, radius of the metallic sphere 4 mm, dielectric permittivity of biological objects from 2 to 14 units the size  $\frac{a}{\lambda} \ll 1$ . Calculations showed that by selecting the distance between a bio-object and a metallic sphere, it is possible to achieve that the bio-object is located in the antinode of the electromagnetic field.

**Keywords:** electromagnetic field, multi-layered biological objects, waveguide system, irradiation of biological objects.

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