DRYING



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 Drying :- is the removal of liquid from material by application of heat.

It is accomplished by

 transfer of a liquid from a surface into an unsaturated vapor phase.

Purposes of drying:

1- Unit of process in pharmaceutical manufacturing (e.g. preparation of granules then dispense as capsules or tablets).

2- Reduce bulk and weight \longrightarrow lower the cost of transportation and storage.

3- Aid in preservation of animal and vegetable drugs by minimizing mold and bacterial growth in moisture laden material

4- facilitate comminution by increasing friability.

Classification of solids on drying behavior

- 1- Granular or crystalline solids (water is held in shallow and open surface pores as well as in interstitial spaces between particles that are easily accessible to the surface).
- Ex: calcium sulfate, zinc oxide, magnesium oxide

- 2- Amorphous, fibrous or gelatinous solids (moisture is an integral part of the molecular structure as well as being physically entrapped in fine capillaries and small interior pores).
- Ex: starch, insulin and aluminum hydroxide.

Note: Amorphous solids are difficult to dry than granular or crystalline solids.

Classification of dryers

1- Static-bed dryerssystems

A- tray and truck dryers

B- tunnel and conveyor dryer

C-oven

2- moving-bed dryers-systems

A. turbo-tray dryer

B. pan dryer

3- fluidized - bed dryers systems

4- pneumatic dryers system

5- specialized drying methods

A- Freeze dryer

B- microwave drying

1- Static-bed dryers- systems

A- tray and truck dryers: it consist from cabinet in which the material dried is spread on tiers of trays.





1- Static-bed dryers- systems

□ B- tunnel and conveyor dryer: an adaptation of truck dryer for continuous drying.





1- Static-bed dryers- systems

□ C- oven: including autoclave and dry oven





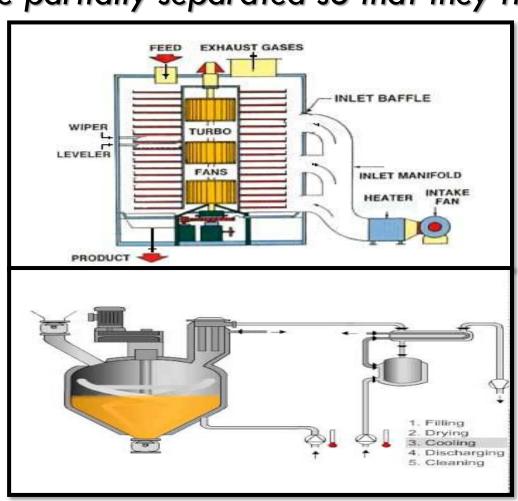
2- moving-bed dryers-systems

The drying particles are partially separated so that they flow

over each other.

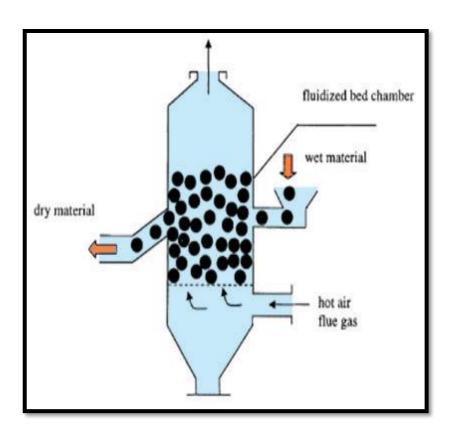
□ A. turbo-tray dryer

□ B. pan dryer



3- fluidized - bed dryers systems

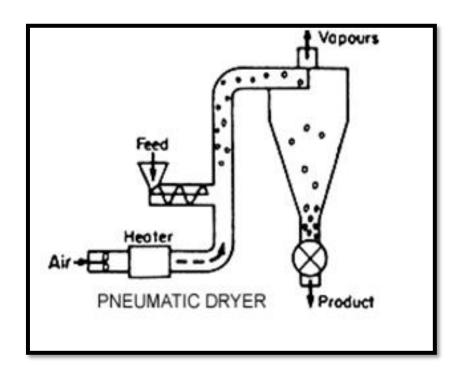
 Solid particles are partially suspended in upward moving gas steam.





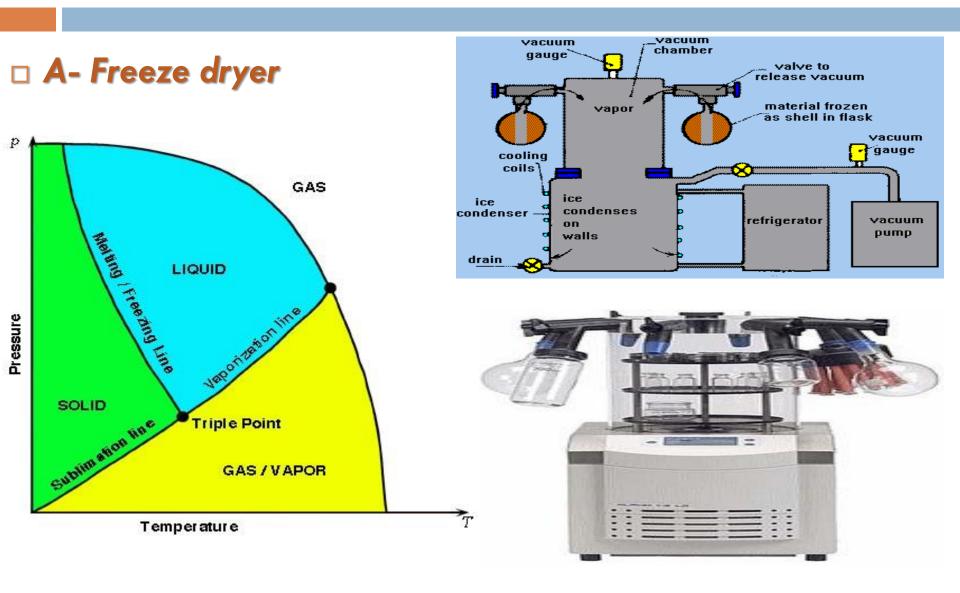
4- pneumatic dryers system

 Drying particles are entrained and conveyed in a high velocity gas stream.



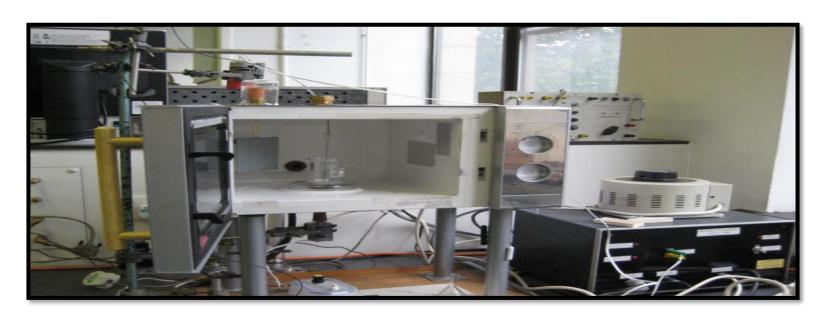


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B- Microwave drying: here instead of applying heat externally to material, energy in form of microwaves is converted into internal heat by interaction with material itself



Solids drying

Wet-weight basis: loss on drying

%LOD = <u>wt. of water in sample</u> × 100 total wt. of wet sample

Dry-weight basis: moisture content

%MC = wt. of water in sample × 100 wt. of dry sample

Example

If exactly 7 g of moist solid is brought to a constant dry weight of 5 g:

$$\square$$
 MC = $\frac{7-5}{5}$ x 100 = 40%

Whereas

□ LOD =
$$\frac{7-5}{7}$$
 x 100 = 28.57%

