# **DESALINATION ENGINEERING**

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This book is the outline of the author's experience on water desalination over forty years working in research and academia. It was written for students for both graduate and undergraduate levels as well as practitioners in the field of seawater desalination. It covers the basic of thermal desalination processes: multi-effect (ME), multi-stage flash (MSF), mechanical vapor compression (MVC), and thermal vapor compression (TVC), as well as the most used membrane technology, reverse osmosis (RO). Since large thermal desalination units are usually combined with power plants, a chapter on cogeneration power



desalting plants (CPDP) producing both electric power and desalted seawater is included. A

general outline of the book:

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**Desalination Processes** 

Multi-stage flash (MSF)

Multi-effect distillation

(MED) Vapor compression

Reverse osmosis (RO)

Factors affecting the choice of a desalting system

Hybrid desalting systems

Multi-Effect Desalination (MED)

Single-effect submerged tube system

MEB desalination system and its arrangement

Modern MEB with regenerative heating system

Typical conventional MEB units

Multi-Stage Flash (MSF)

Mechanical Vapor Compression (MVC)

Thermal Vapor Compression (TVC)

Single-effect TVC system

Multi-effect thermal vapor compression (ME-TVC)

system Reverse Osmosis (RO)

RO background

Water chemistry related to RO

Membrane module configuration and arrangements

Basic equations and definitions

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Feed water treatments to prevent scale formation

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RO system design

Case studies

RO system design using ROSA



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