

# GENERALIZED NET-MODEL OF THE PROCESSES FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SODA ASH

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The general (in the lump) Generalized Net (GN) [1] – model is pointed out on Fig. 1. The model is type Intuitionistic Fuzzy Generalized Net – Model (IFGN2) and on the basis of that we will explain a technological generalized scheme for production of soda ash [2].

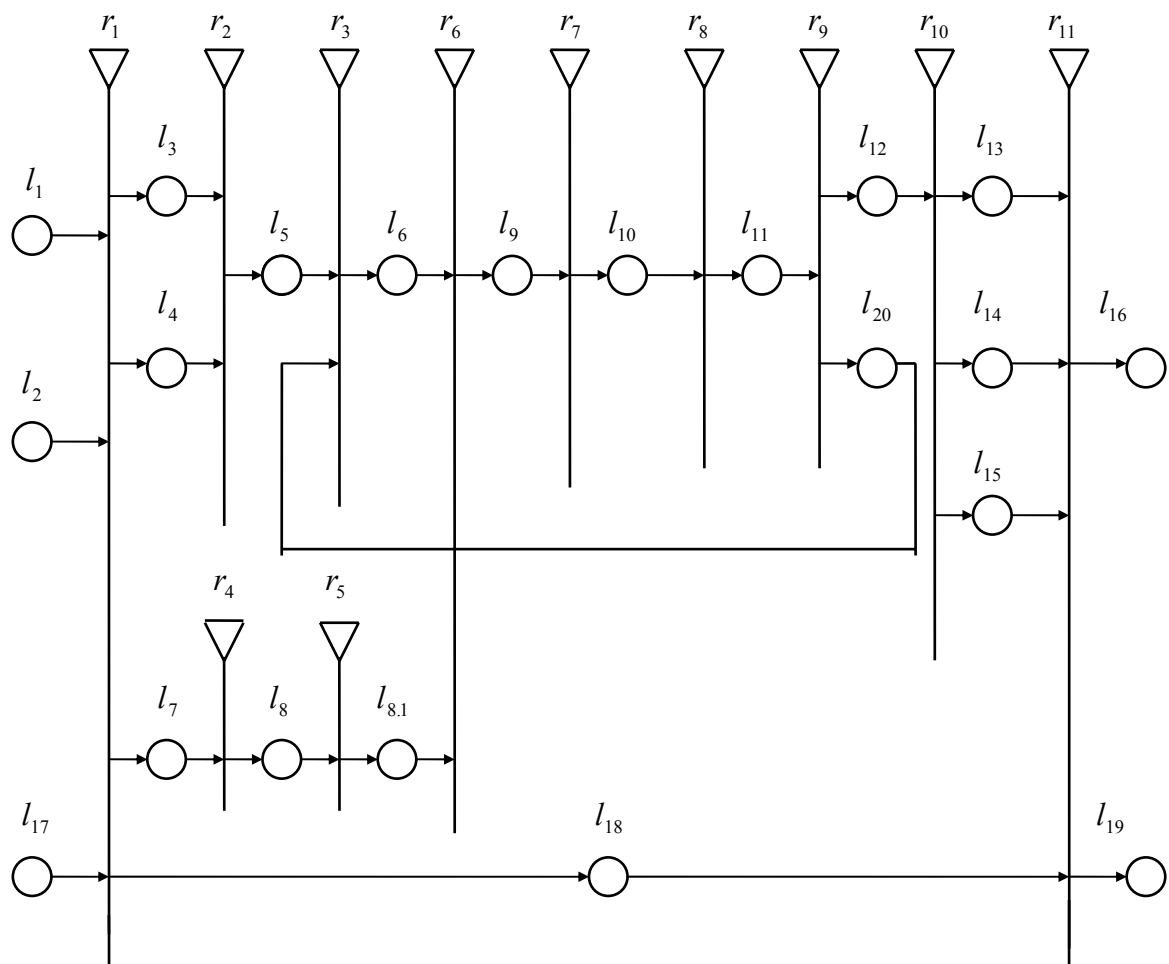


Fig. 1.

The signification of the place of the GN-Model (Fig.1) is the following, which corresponds to the tokens characteristics:

- $l_1$  -basic raw materials
- $l_2$  -subsidiary materials
- $l_3$  -workshop for mining and sorting out limestone (  $CaCO_3$  )
- $l_4$  -workshop for coking limestone
- $l_5$  -baking of limestone in lime-kiln  $CaO$  and  $CO_2$
- $l_6$  -hydrogenation, slaking of  $CaO$  to lime-cream
- $l_7$  -obtaining an aqueous solution of  $NaCl$
- $l_8$  -purifying of salt solution from admixtures (Ca and Mg)
- $l_{8.1}$  -absorption, ammoniating of salt solution
- $l_9$  -saturation of purified solution of  $NaCl$  with  $CO_2$  (carbonization)
- $l_{10}$  -symbolizing the process of filtration (filtering of obtained suspension)
- $l_{11}$  -symbolizing the process of distillation
- $l_{12}$  -symbolizing the process of calcination
- $l_{13}, l_{14}, l_{15}$  -symbolizing the process of refrigeration, storing and packing
- $l_{16}$  -this position symbolize obtained finish product
- $l_{17}$  -symbolizing the receiving of orders for the end products
- $l_{18}$  -symbolizing the working of the orders
- $l_{19}$  -symbolizing the accounting of the orders (satisfied or not)
- $l_{20}$  -transport of waste distillate liquid for the process of hydration

The multitude of transitions  $A$  includes (Fig. 1)  $A = \{Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, \dots, Z_{11}\}$  where  $Z_1, \dots, Z_{11}$  are the transitions. Each transition contains six terms

$$Z = \langle L', L'', t_1, t_2, r, M \rangle$$

For transition  $Z_1$

$L' = \{l_1, l_2, l_{17}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_3, l_4, l_7, l_{18}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|cccc} & l_3 & l_4 & l_7 & l_{18} \\ \hline l_1 & w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & w_4 \\ l_2 & w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & w_4 \\ l_{17} & w_4 & w_4 & w_4 & w_5 \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  - the raw material goes on mining and sorting out limestone

$w_2$  - the raw material goes on coking limestone

$w_3$  - the raw material goes on obtaining an aqueous solution of  $NaCl$

$w_4$  - nuclei do not pass

$w_5$  - working of obtained

Indexed matrix (M) of the arcs will not be definite, because we have IFGN2 and the nuclei are quantity. The nuclei that may occur in the place are:

In place  $l_1 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ , which are respectively “NaCl” and “limestone”.

In place  $l_2 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5\}$ , which are respectively “ammonia”, “water”, “water vapor”, “fuel”, “electric power”.

For transition  $Z_2$

$L' = \{l_3, l_4\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_5\}$  is an output place

Indexed matrix, determining which nuclei may proceed across the transition has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_5 \\ \hline l_3 & w_1 \\ l_4 & w_2 \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  -mined limestone go for baking in lime-kilns

$w_2$  -the coking limestone go in lime-kilns

For transition  $Z_3$

$L' = \{l_5, l_{20}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_6\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_6 \\ \hline l_5 & w_1 \\ l_{20} & w_2 \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  - raw material ( $CaO$ ) goes for hydration (slake) to lime-cream.

$w_2$  - transported waste distillate liquid go for the process of hydration.

For transition  $Z_4$

$L' = \{l_7\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_8\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_8 \\ \hline l_7 & True \end{array}$$

For transition  $Z_5$

$L' = \{l_8\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_{8.1}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_{8.1} \\ \hline l_8 & True \\ \hline \end{array}$$

For transition  $Z_6$

$L' = \{l_6, l_{8.1}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_9\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_9 \\ \hline l_6 & w_1 \\ l_{8.1} & w_2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  - lime-cream go for the process of carbonization

$w_2$  - ammoniated salt solution for carbonization

For transition  $Z_7$

$L' = \{l_9\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_{10}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_{10} \\ \hline l_9 & True \\ \hline \end{array}$$

For transition  $Z_8$

$L' = \{l_{10}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_{11}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|c} & l_{11} \\ \hline l_{10} & True \\ \hline \end{array}$$

For transition  $Z_9$

$L' = \{l_{11}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_{12}, l_{20}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form

$$r = \begin{array}{c|cc} & l_{12} & l_{20} \\ \hline l_{11} & w_1 & w_2 \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  - obtained distillate go for calcination

$w_2$  - obtained waste distillate liquid transport for the process of hydration

For transition  $Z_{10}$

$L' = \{l_{12}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_{13}, l_{14}, l_{15}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form

$$r = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & l_{13} & l_{14} & l_{15} \\ \hline l_{12} & w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  - obtained soda ash go for refrigeration

$w_2$  - obtained soda ash go in store

$w_3$  - the finished product go for packing

For transition  $Z_{11}$

$L' = \{l_{13}, l_{14}, l_{15}, l_{18}\}$  is an input place

$L'' = \{l_{16}, l_{19}\}$  is an output place

The indexed matrix  $r$  has the form:

$$r = \begin{array}{c|cc} & l_{16} & l_{19} \\ \hline l_{13} & w_1 & w_2 \\ l_{14} & w_1 & w_2 \\ l_{15} & w_1 & w_2 \\ l_{18} & w_2 & w_3 \end{array}$$

where:

$w_1$  - raw material go to the line for a finished production

$w_2$  - nuclei do not pass

$w_3$  - the worked orders go for accounting (satisfied or not)

The signification of the position has been described right after Fig.1. GN-Model from Fig.1 is describing in following way:

$$E = \langle \langle A, \pi_A, \pi_L, c, f \rangle, \langle k, \pi_k \rangle, \langle T, t^\circ, t^* \rangle, \langle x, \Phi \rangle \rangle$$

The multitude of transitions (A) has been described above. All transitions have the same priority ( $\pi_A$ ). The priority of the positions ( $\pi_L$ ) is equal. The priority of positions  $l_{17}$ ,  $l_{18}$ ,  $l_{19}$ , is lower than the others.

As the net is IFGN2 and the nuclei are “quantity” flowing through the net, a part of them is lost during transportation, i.e. there exists a stage of indefiniteness. The priority of the nuclei ( $\pi_k$ ) is equal. The net starts work at the fixed moment of time (T), defined on some kind of absolute scale of time (for example January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000). There is an elementary step of time ( $t^\circ$ ), (for example during 24 hours), and duration of working ( $t^*$ ) 365 days, whereupon there is a compulsory overhaul.

In place  $l_1$  enter tokens with initial characteristic “type” and of the basic raw materials where the “type” can be “sodium chloride” ( $NaCl$ ) and “calcium carbonate” ( $CaCO_3$ ) –limestone.

In place  $l_2$  enter tokens with initial characteristic “type” and the subsidiary materials where the “type” can be “ammonia”, “water”, “water vapor”, “fuel”, “electric power”.

The characteristic functions ( $\Phi$ ) gives the end at the disposal quantity soda ash, which is produced.

The GN-Model from Fig.1 contains (like under-net) a component, that symbolize the receiving of orders for the end products ( $l_{17}$ ), working of the orders ( $l_{18}$ ) and accounting of the orders ( $l_{19}$ ) – satisfied or not.

The nuclei in this sub-net are not “washed away” and they enter in the GN with initial characteristics connected with the firms that wish to buy a stock of products, their quantity and type, and receive as final characteristic definite information, connected with the implementation of the orders, as well, may include characteristic of the nuclei - duration, of realizing the request, etc.

The GN described on Fig.1 reflects the general existing connections between the different parts of the production of soda ash in the chemical works.

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