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# The Comparative Study on Decolorization of Remazol Yellow Dye from Aqueous Solutions by Biosorption, Fenton and Photo-Fenton Processes



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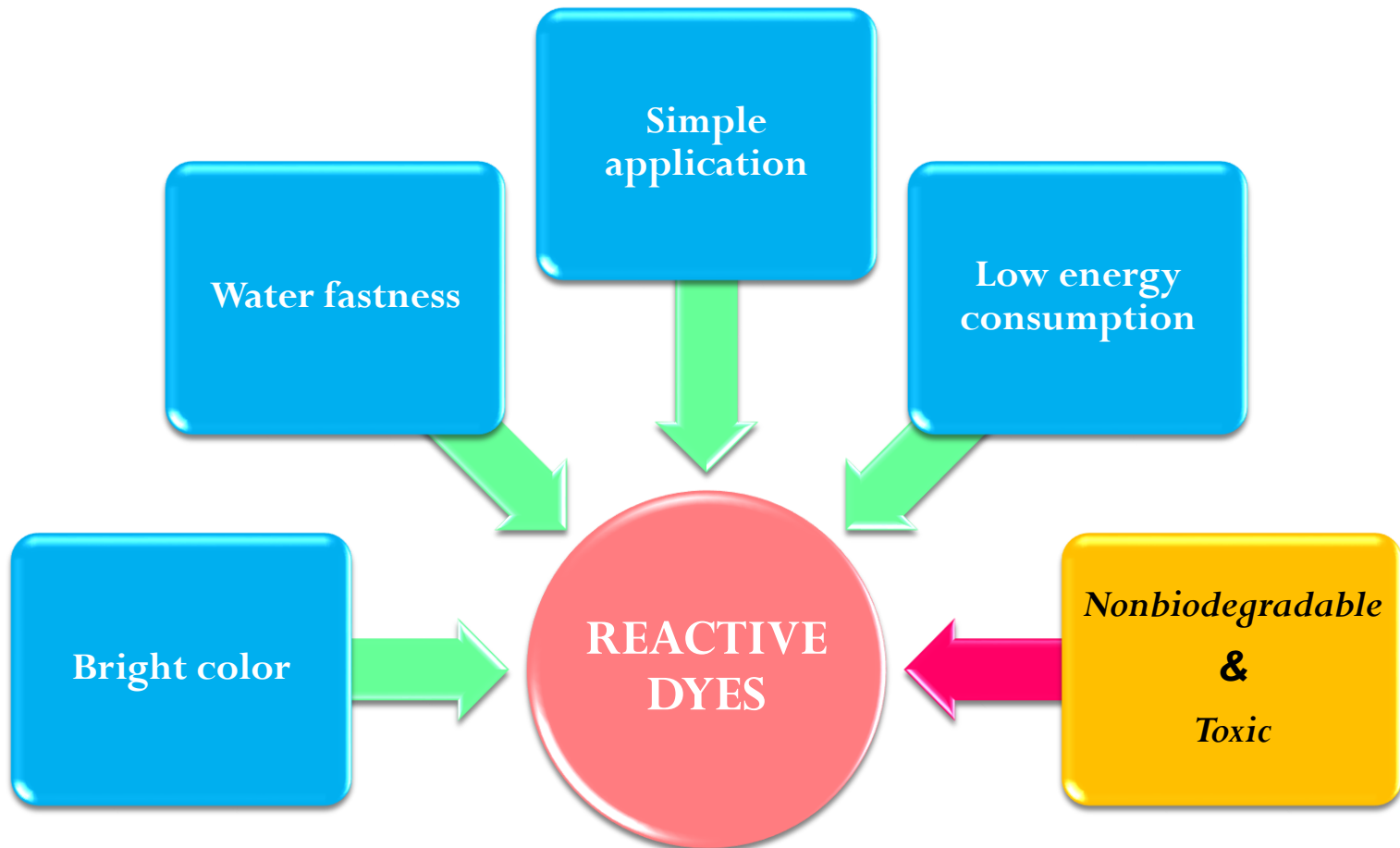
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  - pH
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# MOTIVATION

Water pollution is one of the most unwanted environmental problems in the world and a great deal of investigation is improved to eliminate effluents from wastewaters.



# Physical or chemical treatment processes

- Flocculation combined with flotation
- Electrocoagulation

These techniques are generally

- Inefficient in color removal
- Expensive
- Less compatible to a wide range of dye wastewater.

- Membrane filtration
- Ozonation
- Adsorption

## Biosorption

- low capital investment cost
- simplicity of design
- ease of operation

## Fenton process

- The chemicals are readily available at moderate cost
- There is no need for special equipment

# Low cost sorbents

- Peat
- Bentonite
- Fly ash
- Silica
- Bacterial biomass
- Biopolymers
- Coir pith
- Sugar beet pulp
- Sugarcane bagasse pith

## *Sunflower*

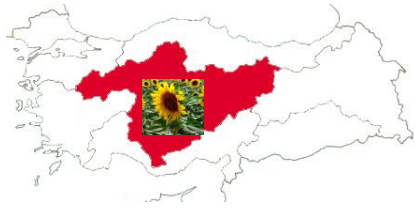
*(Helianthus annuus L.)*

- Total world production: 38 million tons

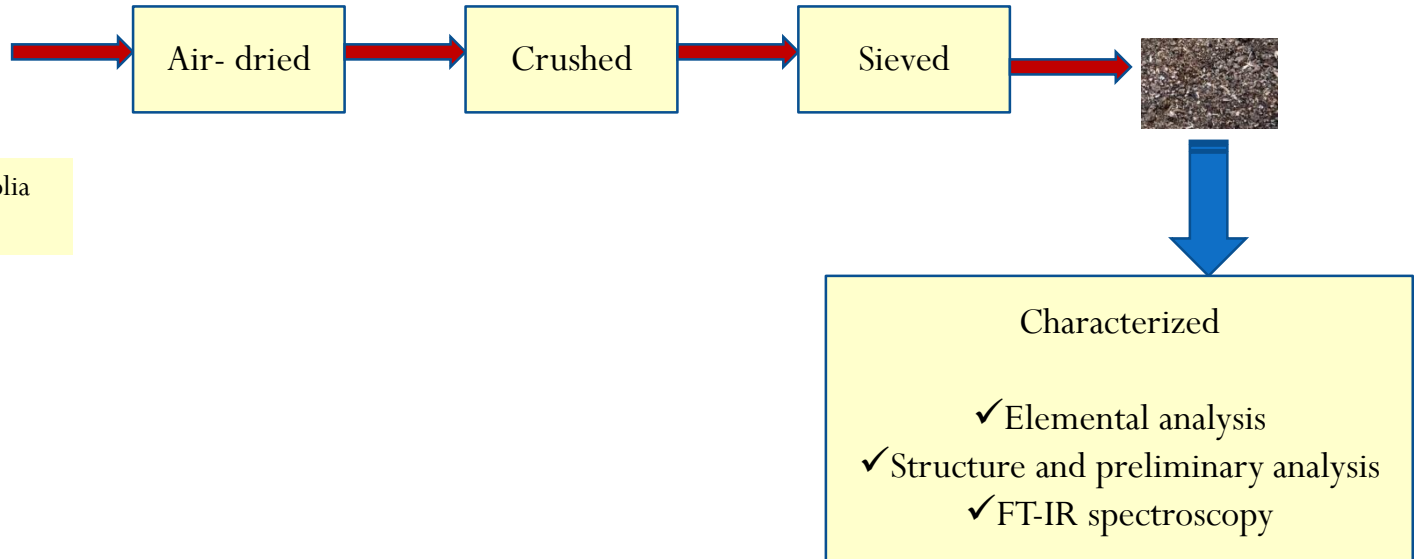


# MATERIAL AND METHODS

# Preparation of SP and dye solutions



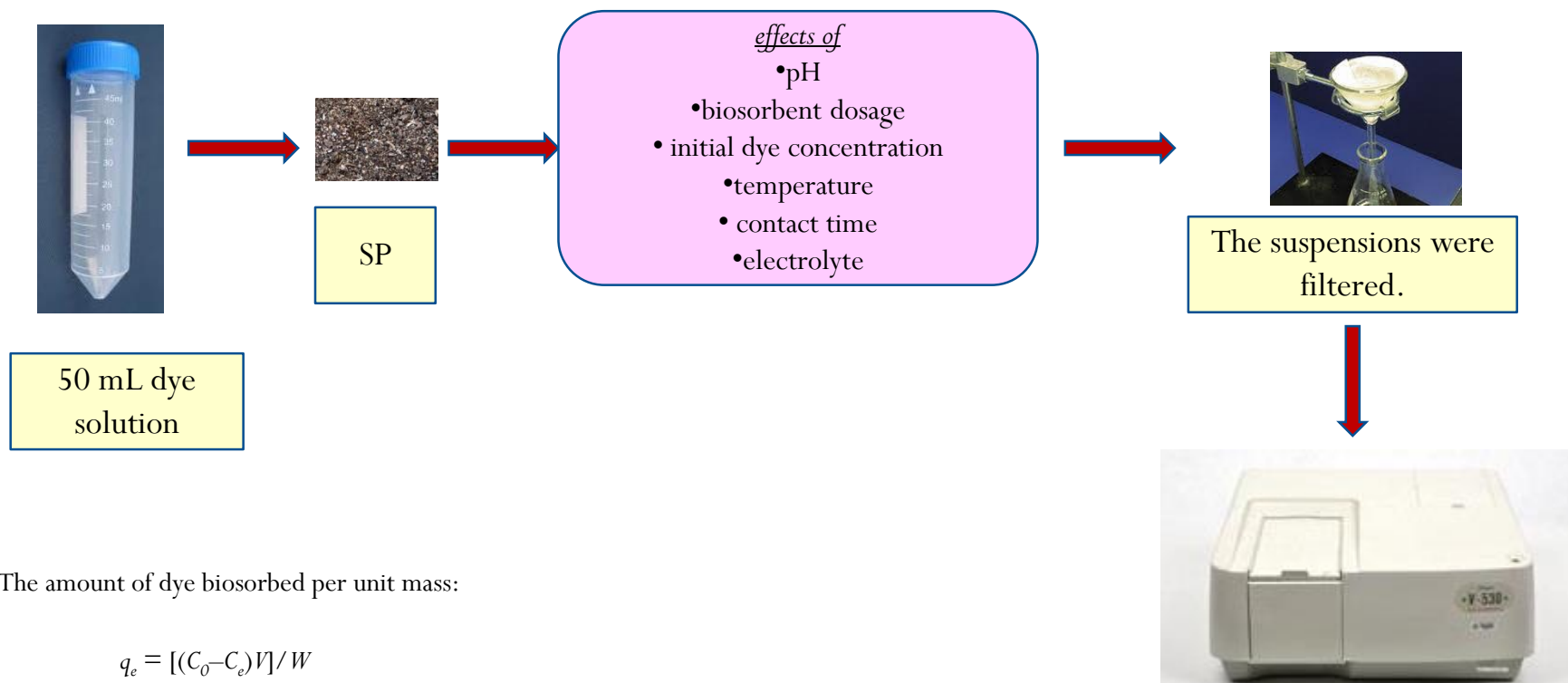
SP was attained from Central Anatolia region of Turkey



- Reactive textile dye Remazol Yellow (RY) was used without further purification.
- Stock solution containing 1000 mg/L of dye was prepared and diluted to arrange different working concentrations (50-250 mg/L).



# Biosorption experiments



The amount of dye biosorbed per unit mass:

$$q_e = [(C_0 - C_e)V] / W$$

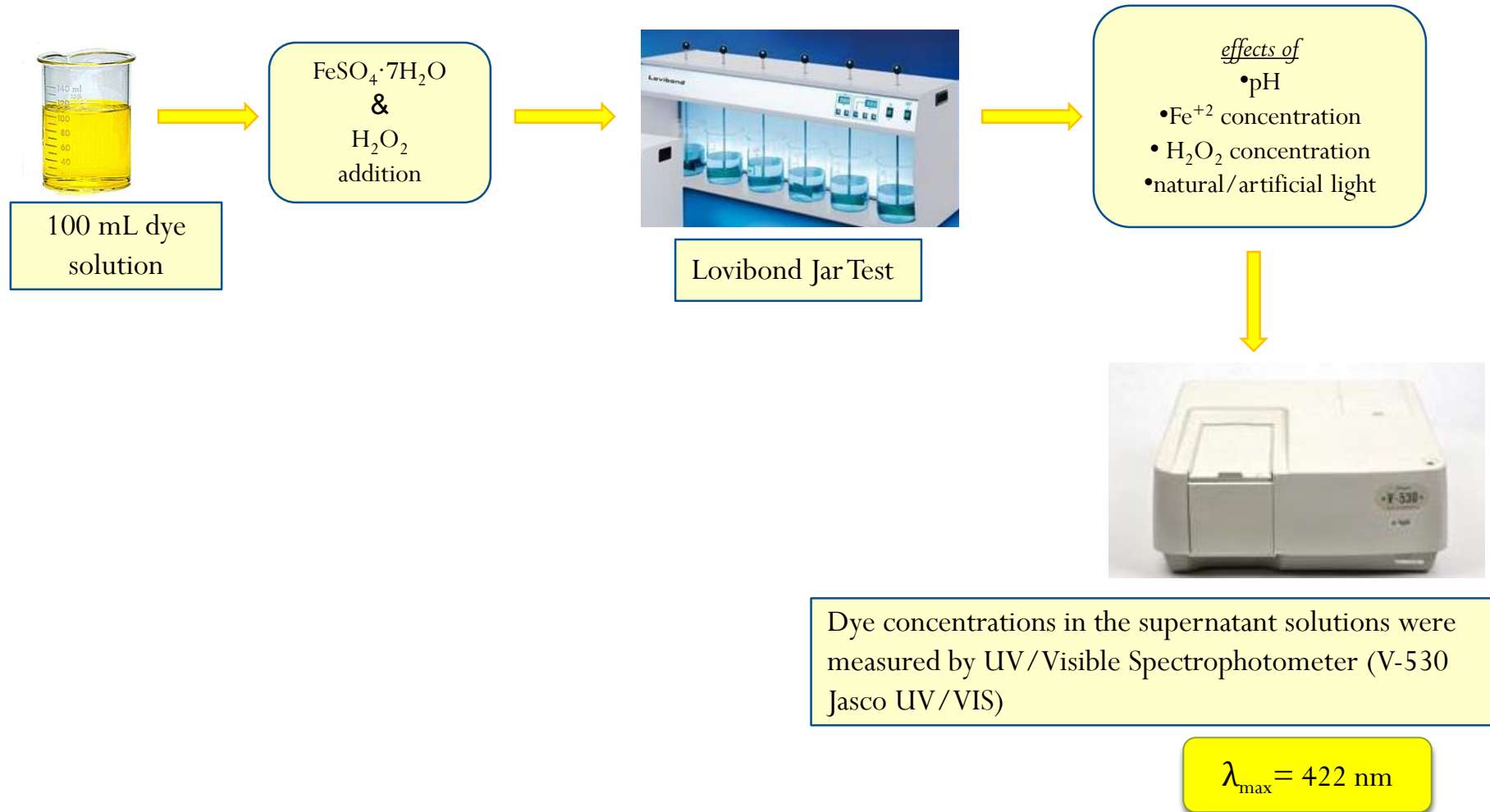
The dye removal efficiency:

$$\eta = [(C_0 - C_e) / C_0] 100$$

where  $V$  (L) is the volume of dye solution and  $W$  (g) is the amount of the biosorbent used.



# Fenton and photo-Fenton oxidation experiments



# EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

# BIOSORBENT CHARACTERIZATION

# Ultimate and proximate analysis

<i>Ultimate Analysis of SP</i>	
Component (%)	SP
C	52.15
N	5.19
H	7.42
O*	35.26
HHV (MJ/kg)	28.34

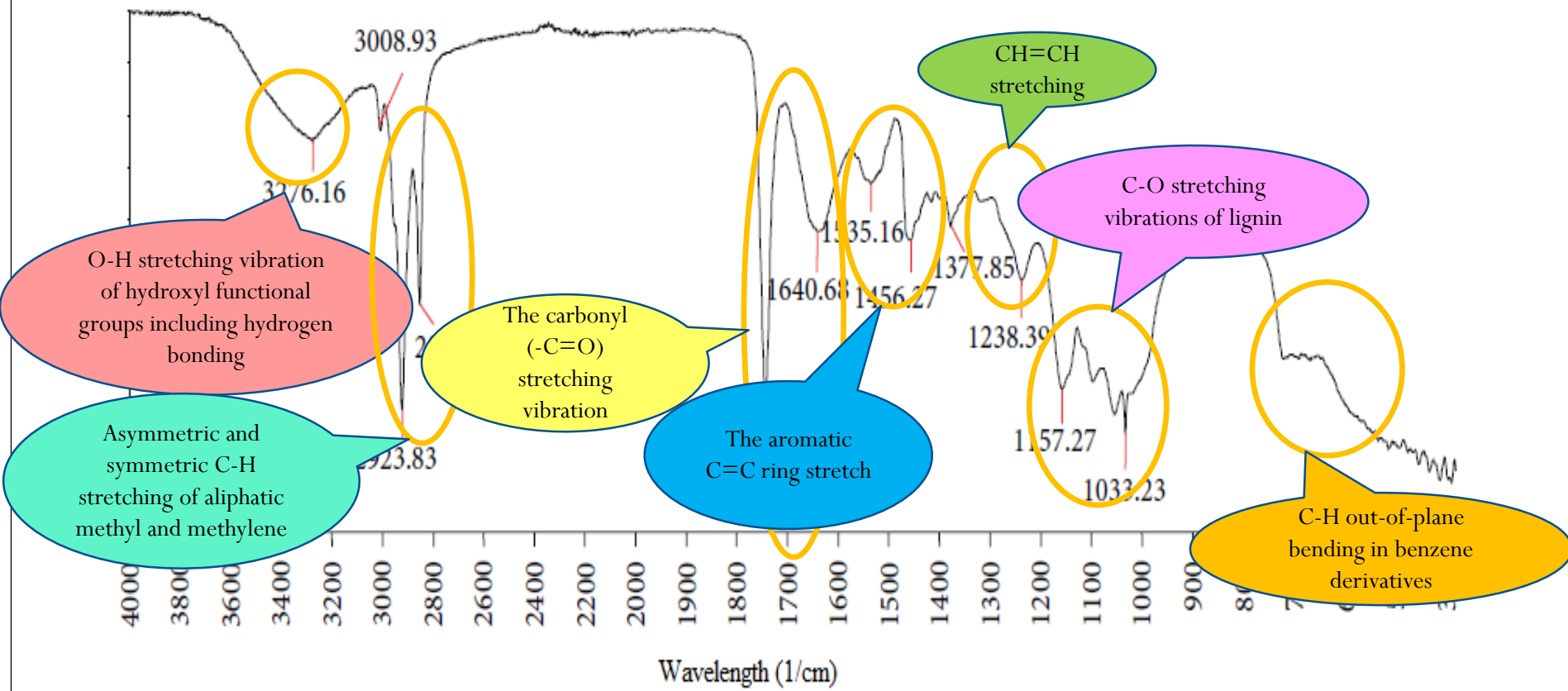
\*Estimated by difference.

Elemental Analyzer (Leco CNH628 S628)

<i>Proximate Analysis of SP</i>	
<i>Preliminary analysis</i>	
Moisture	7.72
Ash	6.17
Volatile	75.15
Fixed carbon*	10.95
<i>Structural analysis</i>	
Holocellulose	22.90
Hemicellulose	10.92
Extractive material	23.59
Oil	30.30
Lignin	33.12
Cellulose*	12.53

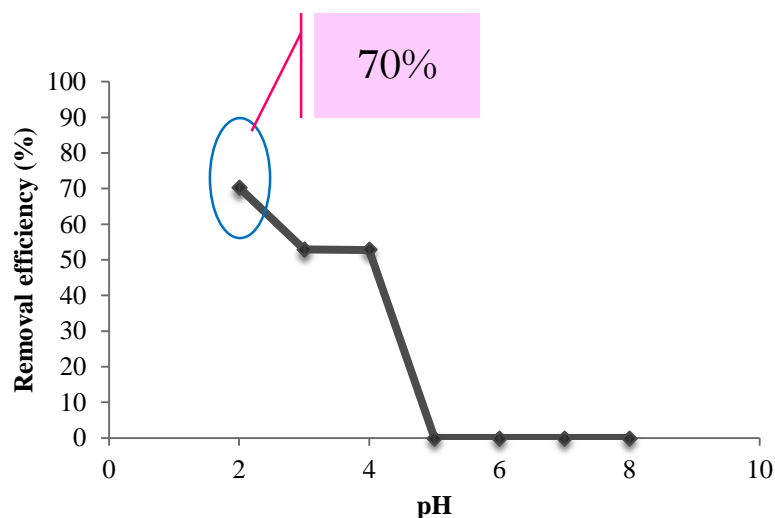
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# Fourier transforms infrared spectroscopy (FT-IR)

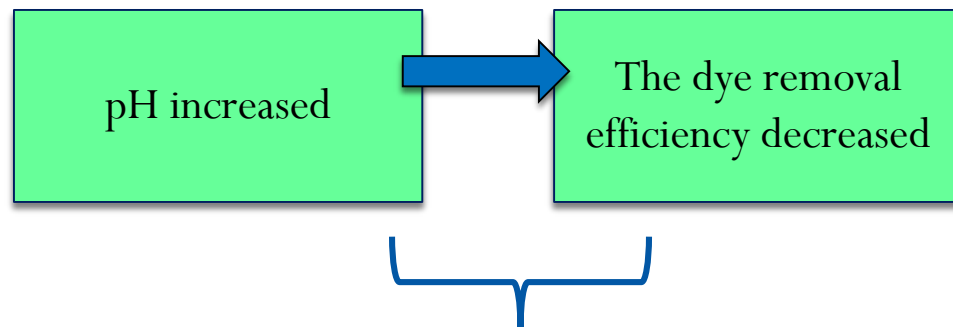


# BIOSORPTION PERFORMANCE

# Effect of solution pH



(initial dye concentration: 100 mg/L, contact time: 60 min, temperature: 293 K, biosorbent dosage: 0.1g/50mL dye solution)

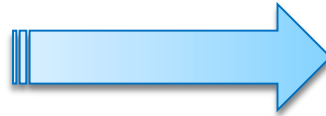


- The pH of the dye solution influenced both *the degree of ionization of the dye* and *the surface properties of the sorbent*.

- SP may get positively charged and the negative dye molecules will be *electrostatically attracted* to the surface and hence the removal efficiency is improved.

# Effect of biosorbent dosage

Biosorbent dosage increased

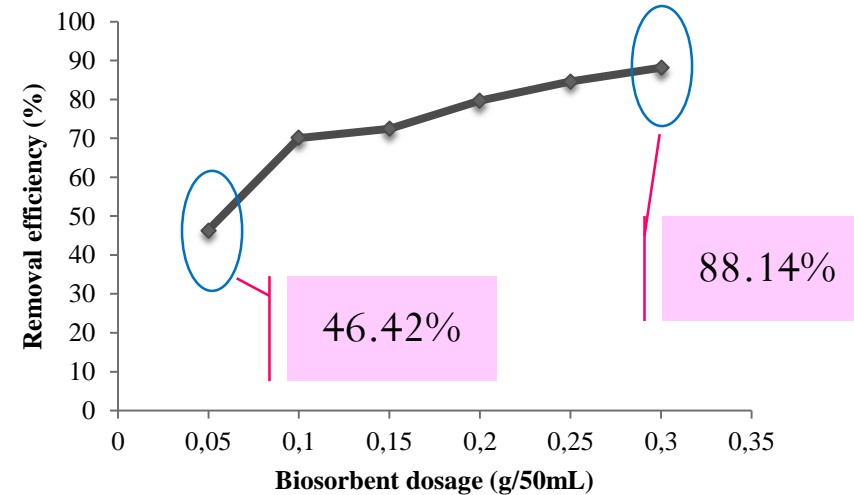


The increase in biosorbent mass at fixed dye concentration and volume will lead to unsaturation of sorption sites through the biosorption process.

Removal efficiency (%) increased



Biosorbent surface area increased and more sorption sites occurred



(initial dye concentration: 100mg/L, contact time: 60 min, temperature: 293 K, pH: 2)

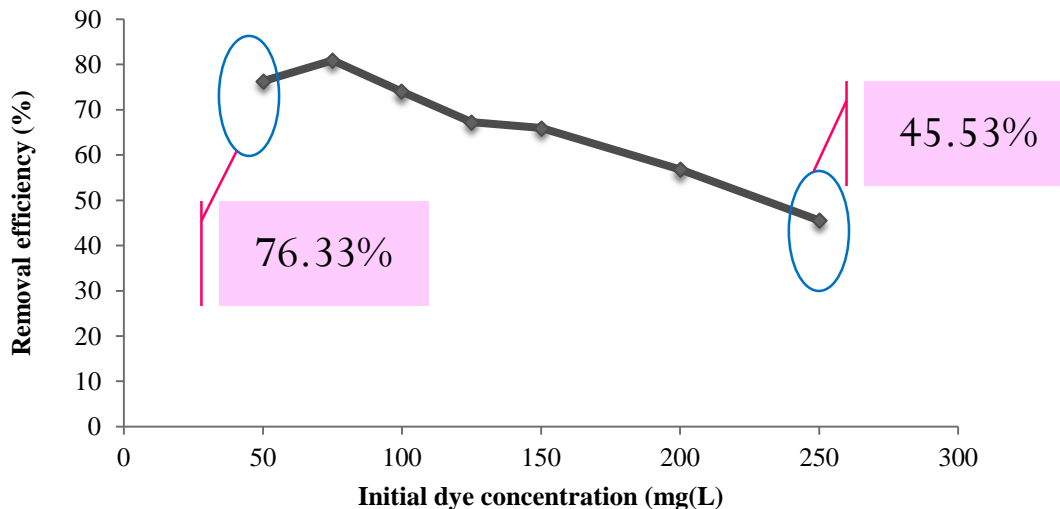


# Effect of initial dye concentration

Initial dye concentration increased

The dye removal efficiency decreased

This may be due to the saturation of surface area and active sites of sorbent.

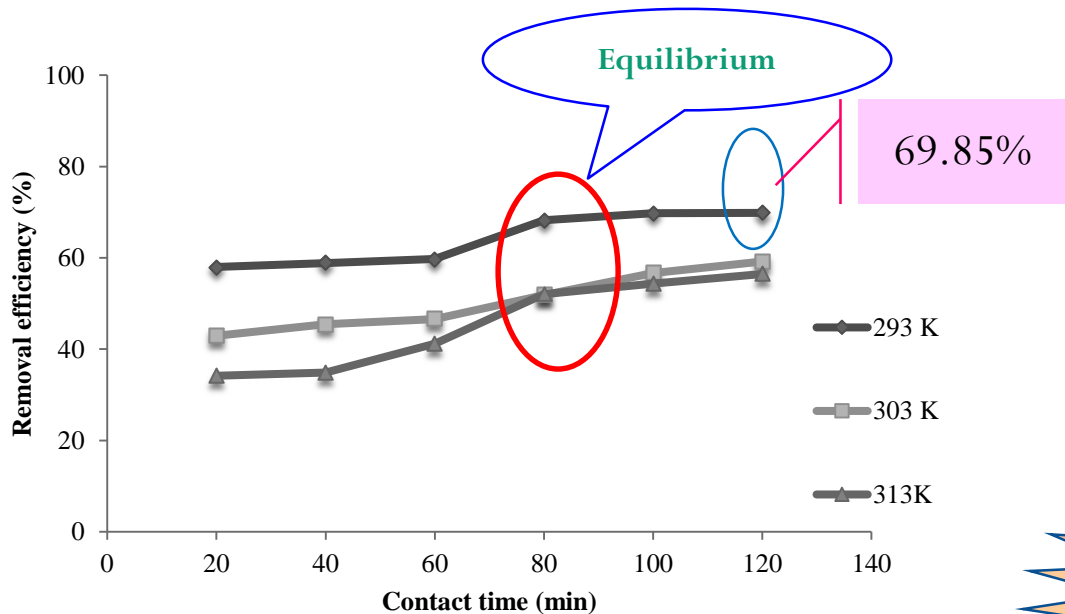


The initial dye concentration favors a **driving force to accomplish mass transfer resistances** between the solid and aqueous phases.

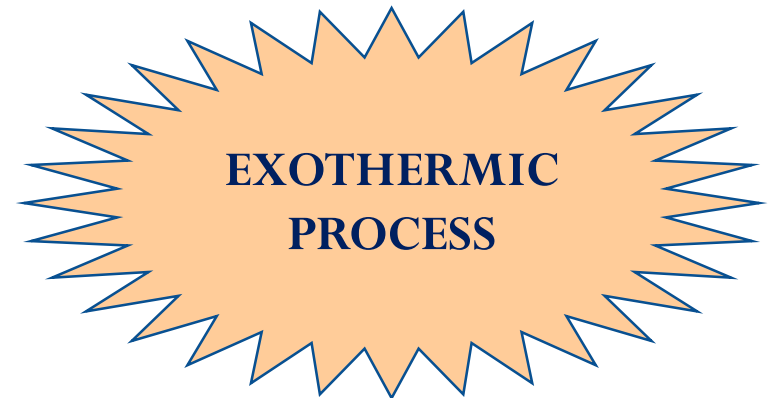
(biosorbent dosage: 0.1g/50mL dye solution, contact time: 60 min, temperature: 293 K, pH: 2)

# Effect of contact time and temperature

- The diminishing in biosorption with temperature may be attributed to decrease in the number of active surface sites available for biosorption on sorbent, decrease in the porosity and in the total pore volume of the sorbent.

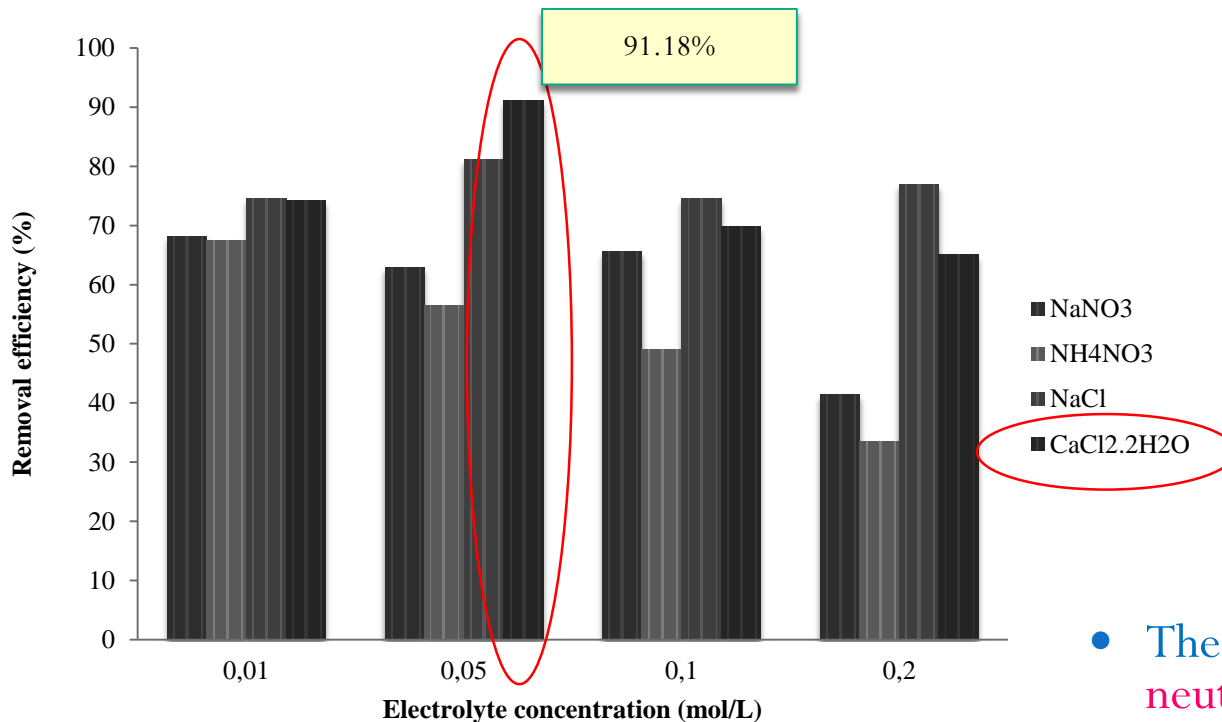


- It could also be due to the increase in the thickness of the boundary layer surrounding the sorbent with temperature, so that the mass transfer resistance of adsorbate in the boundary layer increases.



(biosorbent dosage: 0.1g/50mL, initial dye concentration: 100mg/L, pH: 2)

# Effect of electrolytes



(biosorbent dosage: 0.1 g/50 mL, initial dye concentration: 100 mg/L, pH: 2)

- The electrolyte cations neutralize the *SP* surface's negative charge which provides biosorption of more molecules or cations to act directly on the negative adsorbate ions.

*KINETIC, ISOTHERM AND  
THERMODYNAMIC STUDY*

# Isotherm models

- Interaction of adsorbate with the sorbent material is indicated by the adsorption isotherm which is important to evaluate the capacity of an sorbent.

Isotherm	Langmuir Isotherm			Freundlich Isotherm		
	$q_m$ (mg/g)	$K_L$ (L/mg)	$R^2$	$n$	$K_F$ (mg/g)	$R^2$
	2.558	0.030	0.890	2.469	9.023	0.863

Langmuir

Freundlich

- The Langmuir model displayed better fit to the biosorption data than the Freundlich model.

- Homogeneous biosorption patches was fulfilled by the interaction between *RY* dye and *SP* surface.

$C_e$ : The dye ion concentration in the solution at equilibrium (mg/L)

capacity of the  
rate of  
maximum

# Kinetic models

All of the correlation coefficients obtained for pseudo-second order kinetic model were higher than pseudo-first order values.

RY biosorption on SP did not obey the pseudo-first order model.

- Biosorption was controlled by a chemisorption mechanism.

Kinetic Model	$T$ (K)	$q_{e,exp}$ (mg/g)	Pseudo-first order kinetic model			Pseudo-second order kinetic model			Biosorption order
			$k_1$ (min <sup>-1</sup> )	$q_{e,cal}$ (mg/g)	$R^2$	$k_2$ (g/(mg·min))	$q_{e,cal}$ (mg/g)	$R^2$	
Pseudo-first order									
Pseudo-second order	293	34.926	4.970	35.051	0.615	2.711	37.736	0.992	second order
	303	29.587	7.942	28.912	0.710	1.825	32.680	0.982	
	313	28.237	16.528	29.180	0.723	0.860	35.461	0.954	

# Thermodynamics

Van't Hoff Equation

$$\ln K_D = \Delta S^\circ / R - \Delta H^\circ / RT$$

$T$ : the temperature (K)

$R$ : the ideal gas constant (J/mol K)

$K_D$ : the equilibrium constant (L/g)

$\Delta S^\circ$ : the entropy change (J/mol.K)

$\Delta H^\circ$ : the enthalpy change (J/mol)

$T$ (K)	$\Delta H^\circ$ (kJ/mol)	$\Delta G^\circ$ (kJ/mol)	$\Delta S^\circ$ (J/mol.K)
293		-1.92	
303	-22.25	-1.23	-69.39
313		-0.53	

- Biosorption of  $RY$  was enthalpy driven.
- Randomness at the biosorbent/adsorbate interface decreased during process.

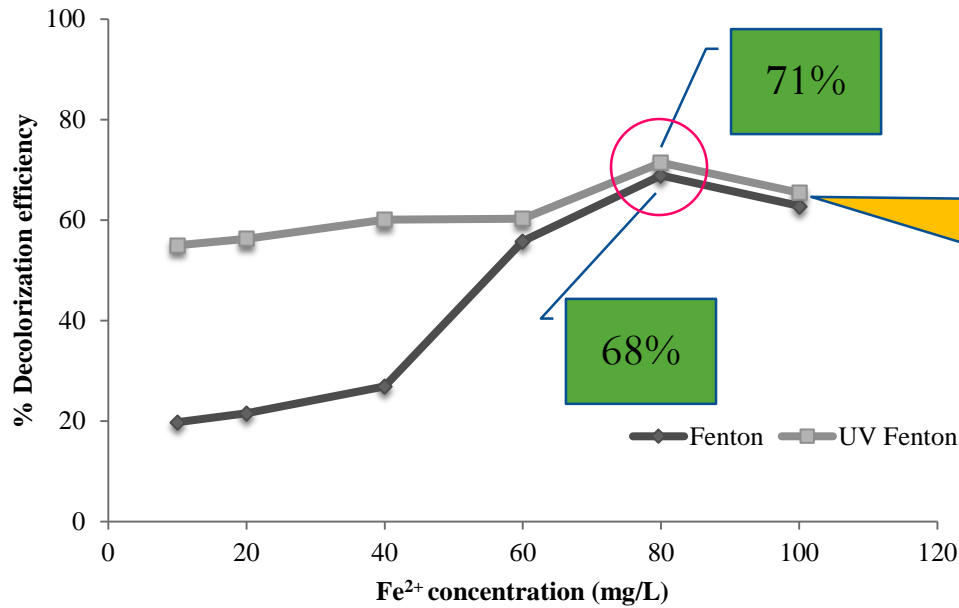
- Biosorption rate decreased with increasing temperature.
- $RY$  biosorption onto  $SP$  was exothermic.

- Thermodynamically biosorption was spontaneous.
- The spontaneous nature of biosorption become greater with decreasing temperature.

# FENTON AND PHOTO-FENTON PERFORMANCE



# Effect of $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ dosage



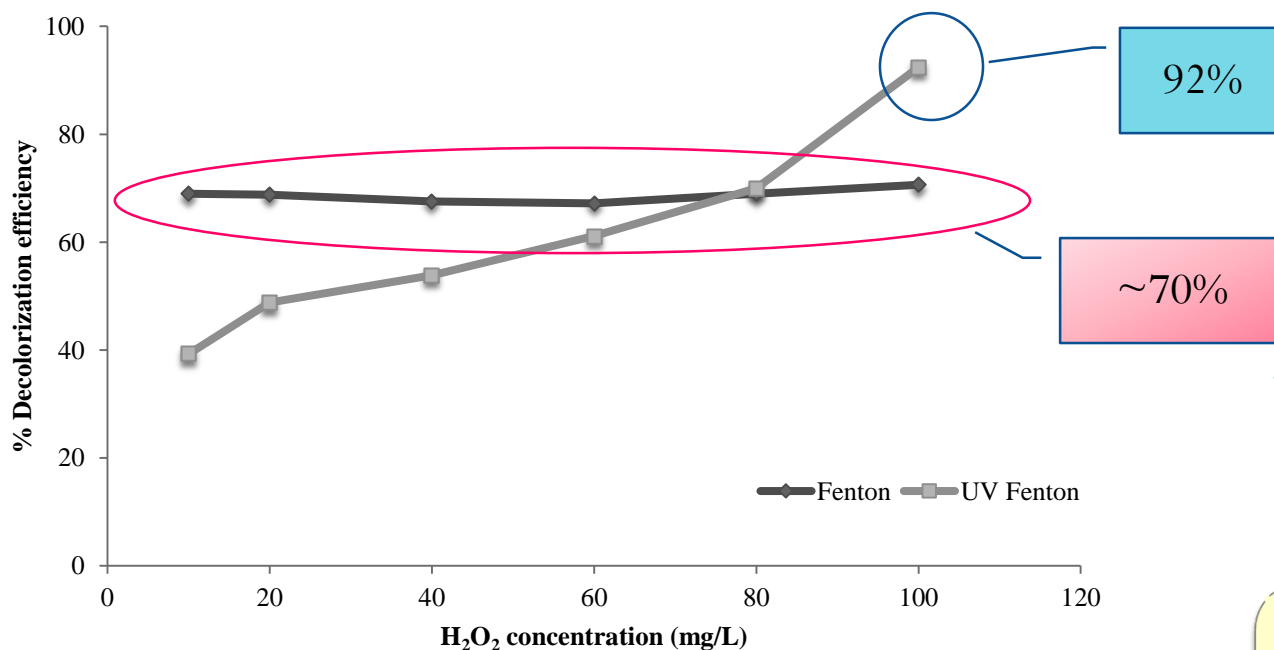
Red-ox reactions that  $\bullet\text{OH}$  radicals may be scavenged either by the reaction with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  present or with another  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  molecule to form  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ .

$\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions reacted with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  generating more and more  $\bullet\text{OH}$  radicals which remove the dye by degrading it into smaller molecules.

The degradation efficiency increased with a higher initial ferrous concentration.

# Effect of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> dosage

□ The concentration of •OH was expected to increase with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> dosage, leading to increased oxidation rates of organic compounds.

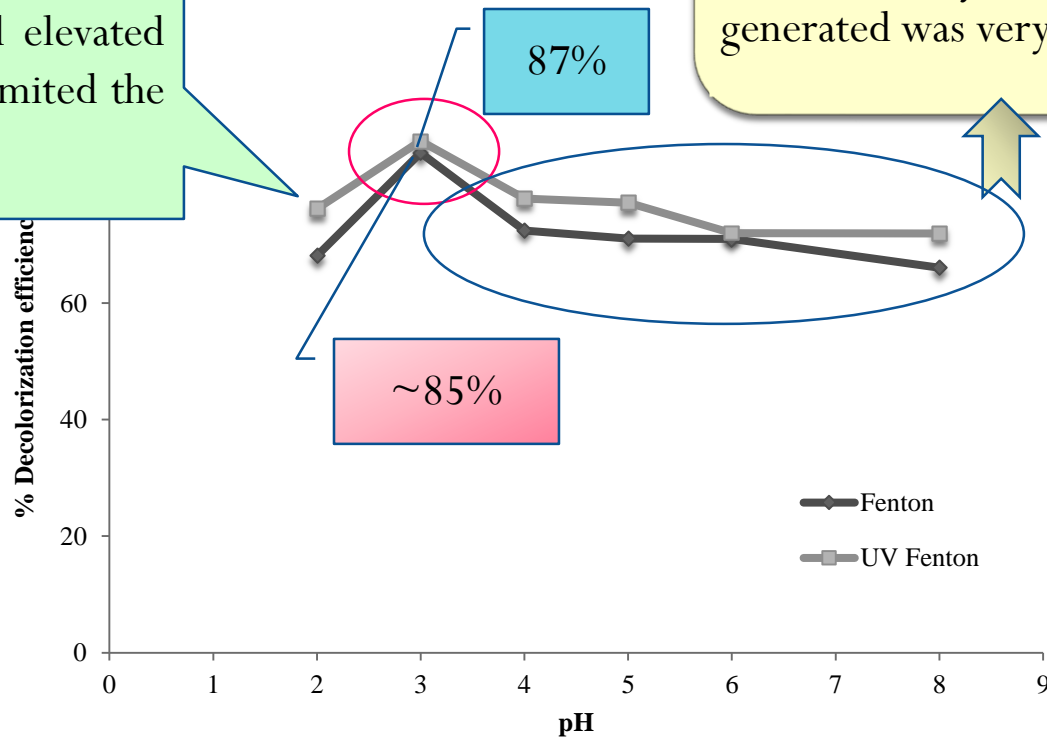


**H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> alone** was not effective in the removal of color.

# Effect of initial pH

At lower pH values, the oxonium ion ( $\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^+$ ) appeared and elevated the stability of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  and limited the  $\bullet\text{OH}$  formation.

The formation of ferrous/ferric hydroxide complexes led to the deactivation of ferrous catalyst, so the amount of hydroxyl radical ( $\bullet\text{OH}$ ) generated was very small.



❑ The reaction rates of Fenton oxidation of dye were rather *slow in alkaline medium* while they were *fast in acidic medium*.

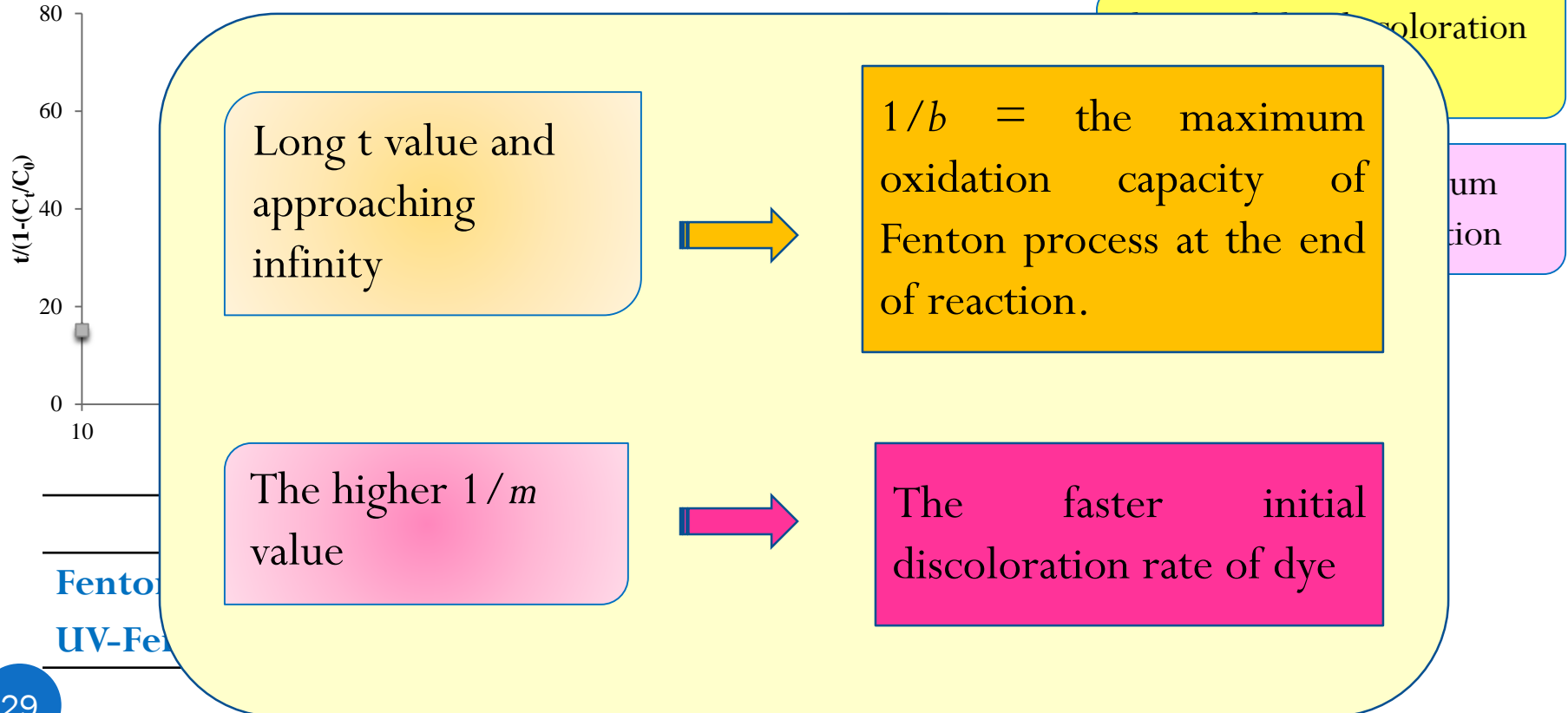
# *KINETIC MODEL*

# Kinetic model

Kinetic Model	Equation
Behnajady-Modirshahla-Ghanbery (BMG)	$C_t/C_0 = 1 - [t/(m + bt)]$ $t/[1 - (C_t/C_0)] = m + bt$

## Kinetic model

$b$ : constant relating to reaction kinetics  
 $m$ : constant relating to oxidation capacity of the process



# CONCLUSION

- *Sunflower pulp* was a low cost and abundant material that could be used as an alternative biosorbent for reactive dye removal *even at low amount*.

pH=2

Biosorbent dosage=0.1g/50mL solution

Initial dye concentration=100ppm

Contact time=100min,

Temperature=293 K,

Electrolyte=0.05M  $\text{CaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

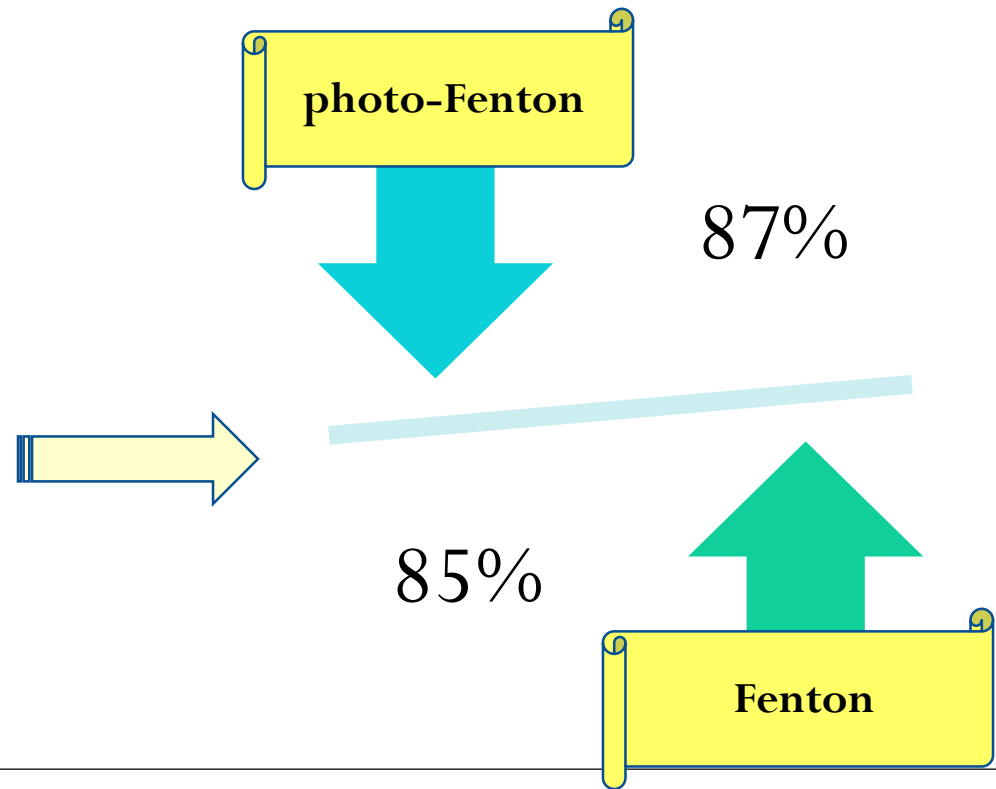


91.18%

# CONCLUSION

- Experimental results verify that all of the methods including *biosorption by sunflower pulp, Fenton and photo-Fenton processes* can be used to treat water discharge containing dye such as Remazol Yellow with higher degradation efficiency, when convenient conditions are carried out.

$\text{Fe}^{2+}$  concentration = 80 mg/L  
 $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  concentration = 100 mg/L  
pH = 3



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