

OPPONENT REVIEW

I. IDENTIFICATION DATA

Title of thesis:

Food convective drier

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Thesis type:

Diploma

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Faculty of Mechanical Engineering Department of Process Engineering

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II. EVALUATION OF THE PARTICULAR CRITERIA

Assignment

average

Fulfilling the assignment

fulfilled

According to thesis title the assignment was fulfilled since no details were asked. If industrial use of the drier was supposed more effort should be developed.

Selected solution procedure

correct

Theoretical part was correct, in the experimental part the candidate showed good orientation and got reasonable results.

Professional level

C - good

Professional level was rather difficult to assess due to low level of language presentation.

Formal and language level, scope of work

E - sufficient

Orientation in the text was difficult. It is evident that the author speaks and understands well the stuff but the written presentation is poor. Moreover, there is a lot of formal and typing errors, missing captions, poorly legible figures, etc. More attention to the formal aspect should have been paid.

Source Selection, Correct Quotation

C - good

Sources for both theoretical and experimental part of thesis were correctly chosen. For design of a process drier more sources would be necessary.

More comments and ratings

Both theoretical and experimental part of thesis are good. The part dealing with the real design of a drier is very brief and not sufficient for an industrial drier's design. Even a simple chart of the resulting drier is missing.

III. TOTAL EVALUATION AND PROPOSAL FOR CLASSIFICATION

I evaluate the submitted final thesis with the grade C - good



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I have several questions that should be answered during the defense:

- 1. Make clear the correct orientation of rows/columns of banana slices comparing the arrangement on p. 52 and 55 (rows along the chamber, columns across) with results on p. 75 (contrary arrangement).
- 2. Explain in the h-x diagram the effect on the outlet air and drying effectivity when the thermal losses are considered.
- 3. During the drying process in the convective drier the moisture content of circulating drying air is increasing. What will be the effect on drying parameters? Is it necessary to provide some measures? What kind of them should be used if needed?

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