

The Three S's First in – Last out

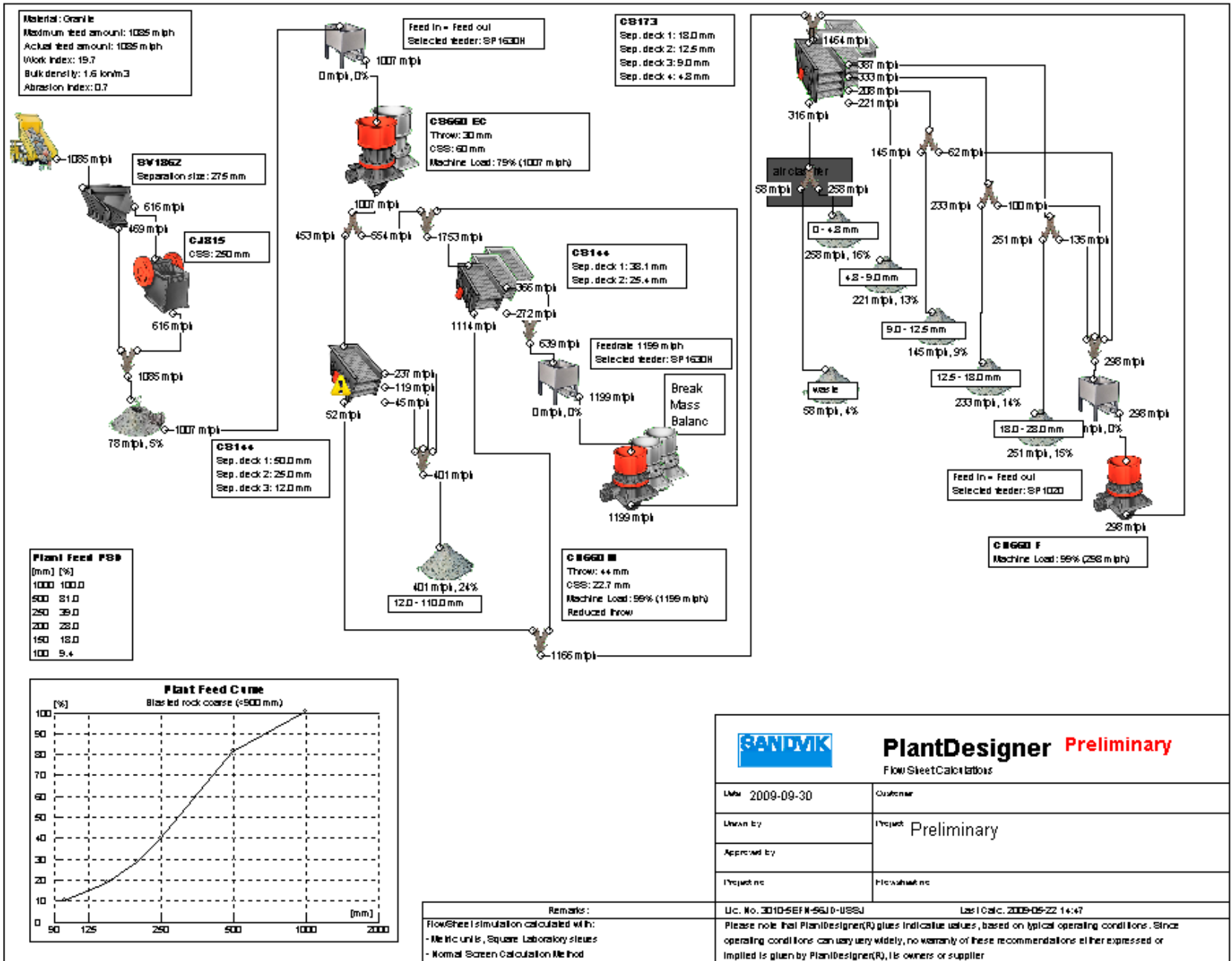
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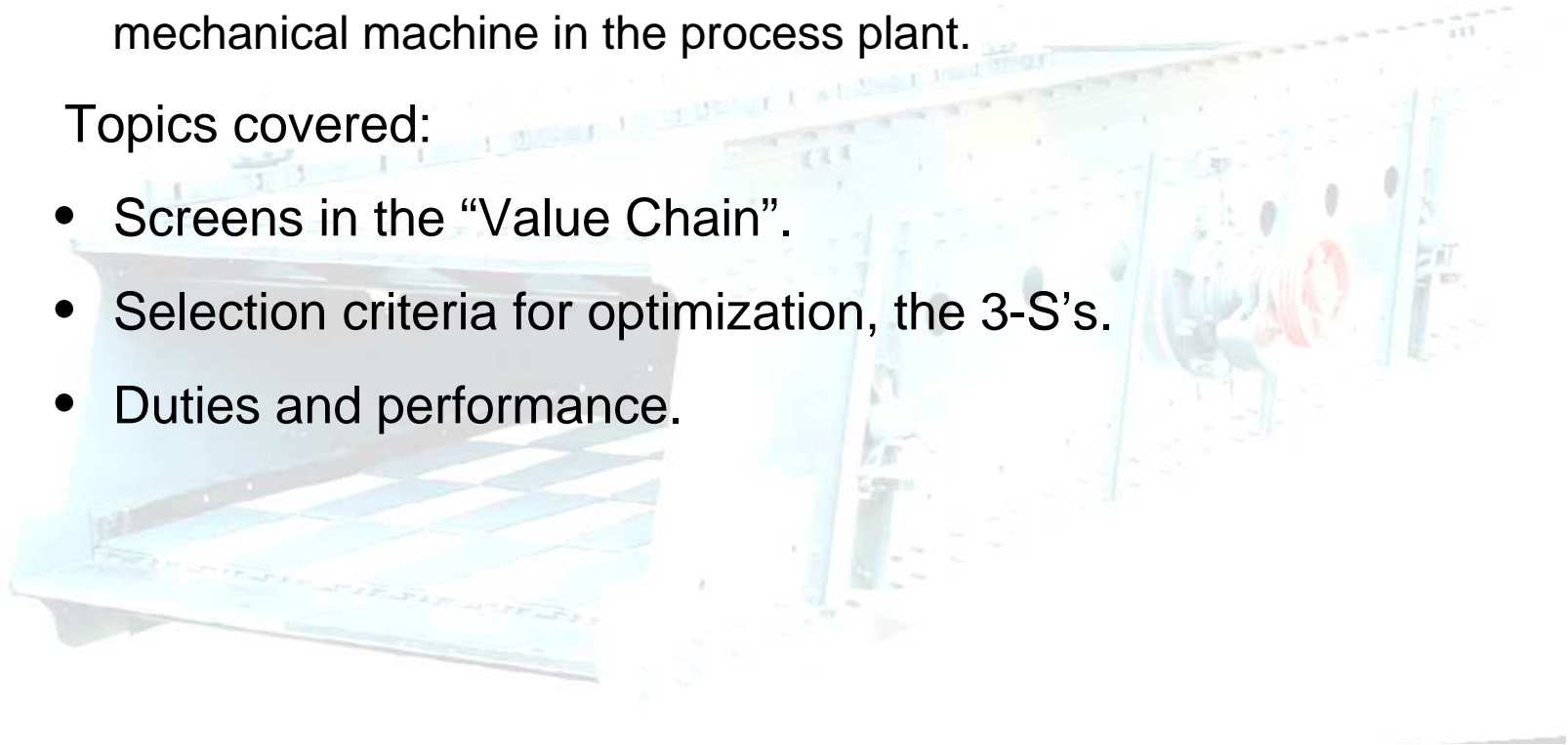
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Today's Journey

- Screening to promote a safe, cost efficient operation.
 - Value Chain Synopsis: A critical link...common to be the first and last mechanical machine in the process plant.
- Topics covered:
 - Screens in the “Value Chain”.
 - Selection criteria for optimization, the 3-S's.
 - Duties and performance.

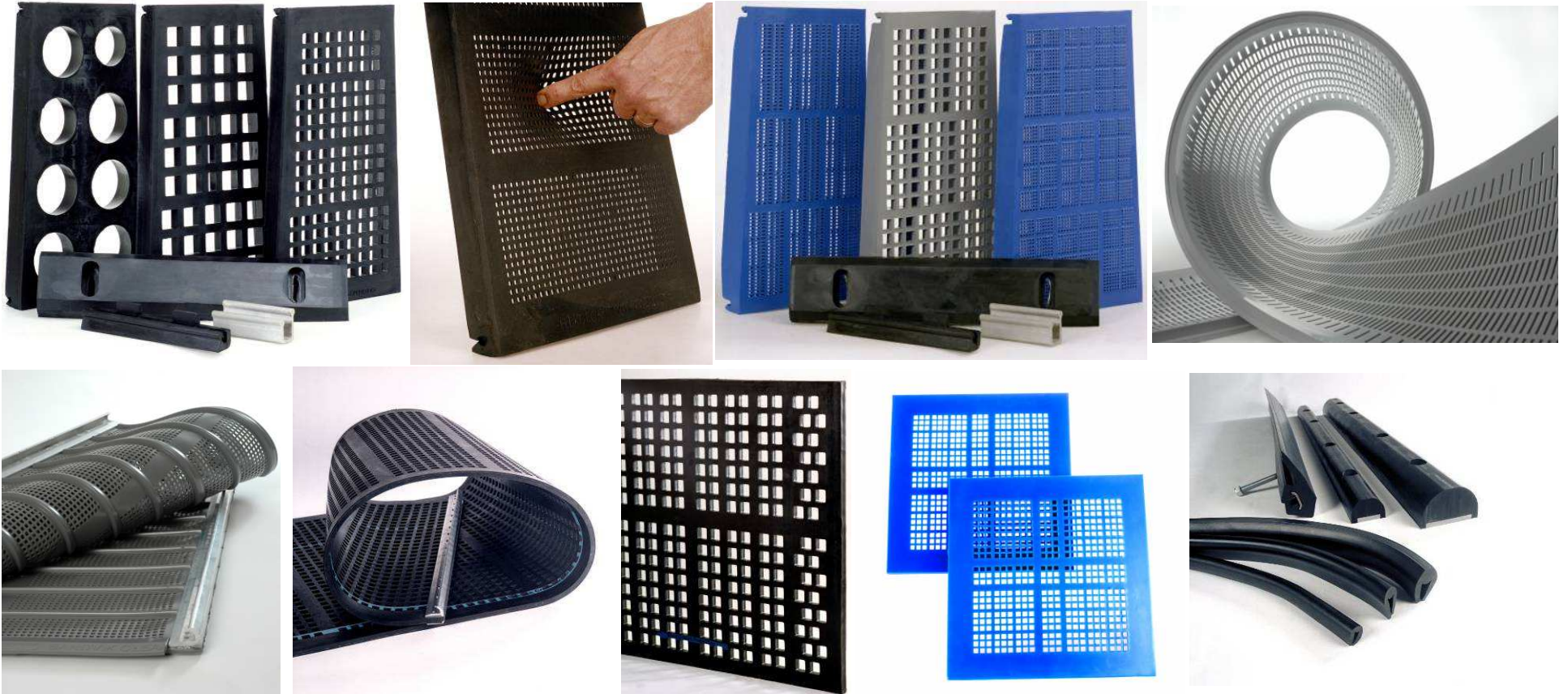


Speed, Stroke and Slope

The performance of a screen will revert back to five main parameters:

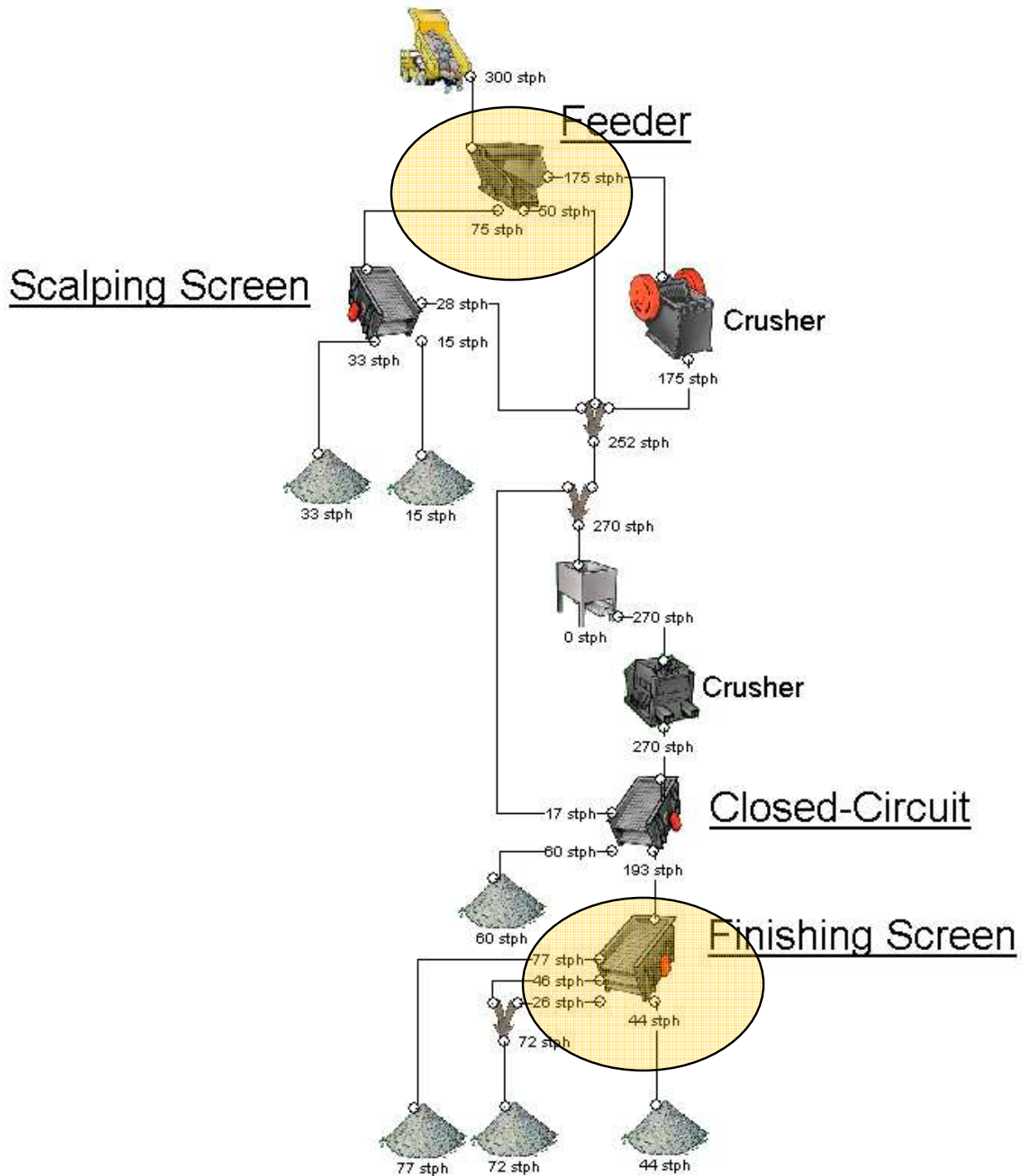
- Motion
 - Incline (Circular): Speed/RPM, stroke/throw and direction of rotation.
 - Horizontal (Elliptical or straight line): Speed/RPM, length of stroke/throw, throw angle (Ex. 45° line of action) and direction of rotation.
- Slope: Install angle of the unit.
- Screening media and available open area.
- Carrying capacity of the screen.
- Material characteristics (Dry, damp, wet, sticky, etc).
- Take home message: All are related and effect the performance of a screen.

Screening Media



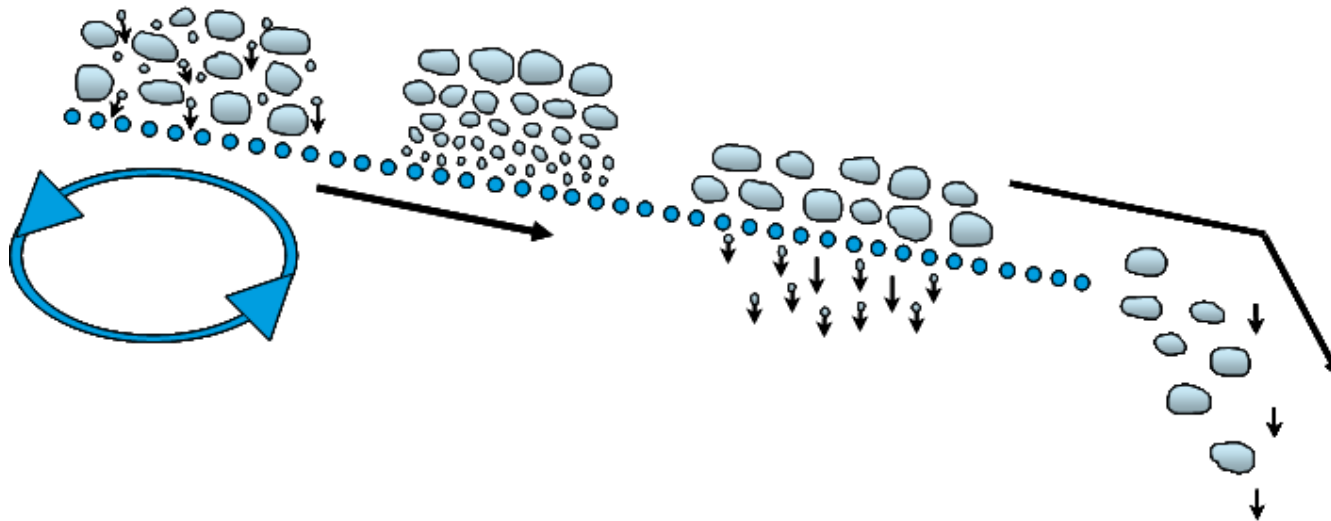
Definition of a Screen

- A screen is a device which separates a mix of particles into two or more groups depending on size.
- Where do we need sizing screens?
 - Decrease the load on other processes, like crushing.
 - Ensure a correct particle size for further processing or product stock piles.
- Take home message: Chemical crushing and mechanical crushing produce a sized and shaped material.



Definition of Screening

- A mechanical process which stratifies (divides) particles according to size. The media (screening surface) opening then accepts or rejects the particles.

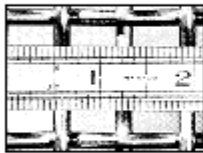


- Take home message: Size control, the process of separating solids into two or more products on the basis of their size.

Definition of Screen Media / Surface

- A screening medium with predetermined openings used to classify (size) two fractions of a feed material. Typically aggregate (sand, gravel, all stone types) whereas a top size product is retained (overs) and a through (fines) product is passed.
- **Clear opening** is the actual measured opening between two wires, such as in the case of wire cloth media.
- **Mesh** is defined as the number of openings per linear inch.

The Definition of Mesh



Mesh is defined as the number of openings per linear inch (primarily woven wire cloth or other synthetics). To count mesh, start from the center of one wire and count the number of openings to a point one inch in distance.

Screening Throughput in Practice



Throughput: The quantity or amount of raw material processed within a given time.

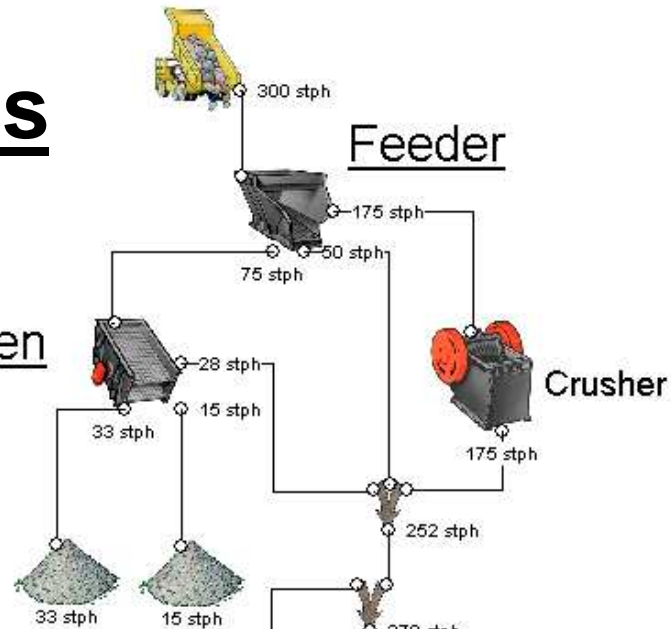
Selection of your Screen: Application Information Required



- Duty/service
 - Secondary screen
 - Operating schedule
 - Stationary application
- Quality requirements/ separation accuracy
 - Product sizes/specs required
- Feed gradation
 - (Sieve analysis)
- Bulk density of material
- Material characteristics
 - Wet, dry, sticky...
- Desired capacity
 - Feed rate
- Sizing media
 - Material (PU, W/C, Rubber...)
 - Brand (Stringers, side liners)
 - Openings (Per deck)
- Existing footprint
 - Size
 - Inclined (install angle)
 - Horizontal
 - Feed/discharge points
 - Motor horsepower
 - Spray system
 - Spring brackets
 - Weight
 - Hand-of-drive (From the feed end)

Duties

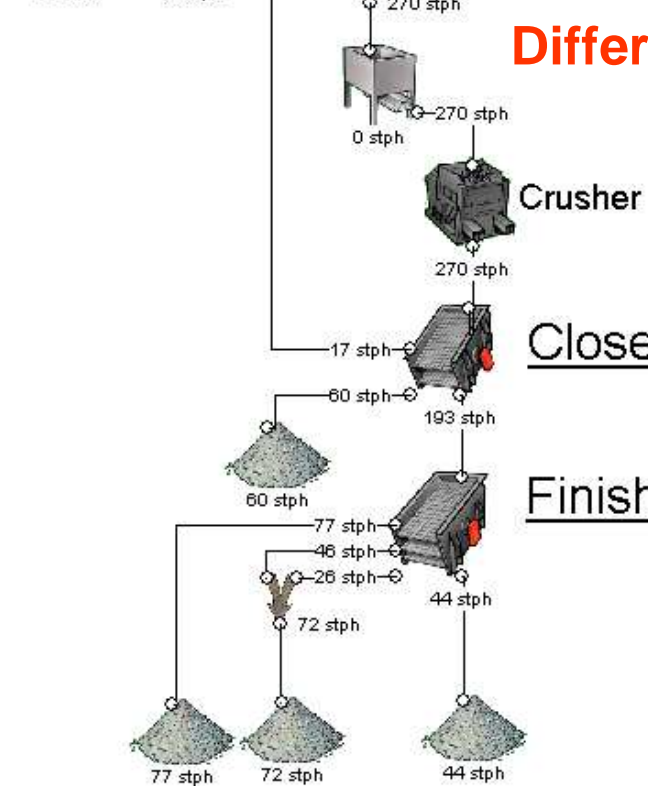
Scalping Screen



Different duties in a plant

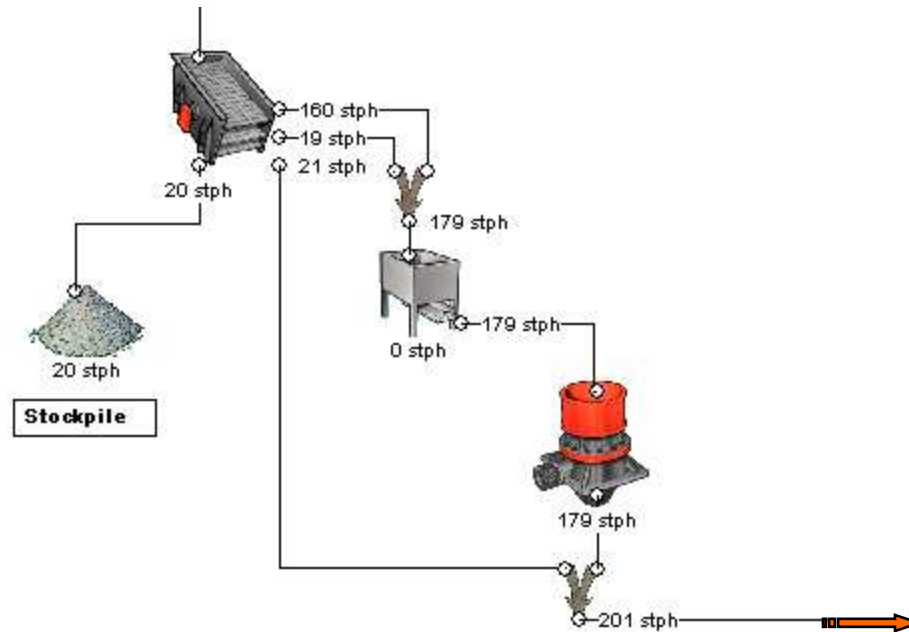
Closed-Circuit

Finishing Screen



Screen Duties

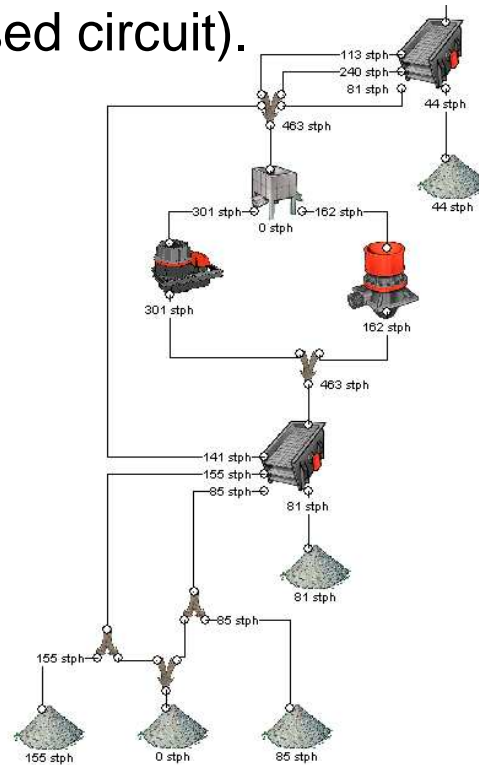
- To prevent undersize in the feed from obstructing the performance of the next reduction stage.



- Take home message: Keep the fines or sized product out of the next crushing circuit.

Screen Duties

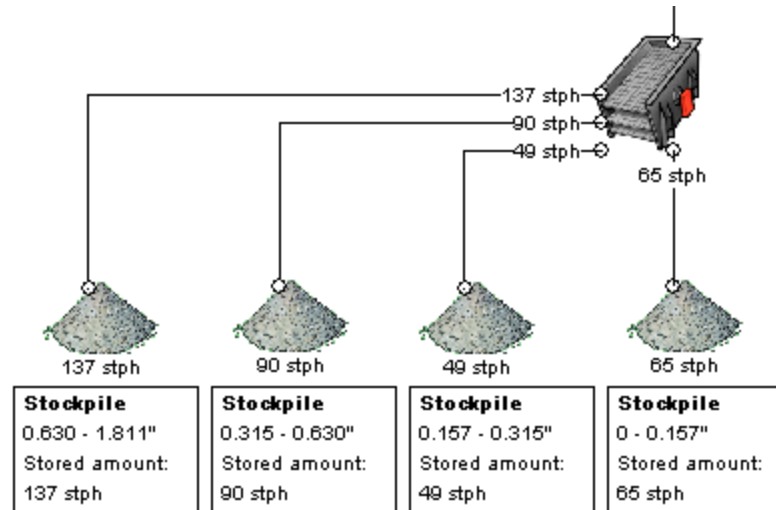
- To prevent oversize in the feed from moving onto the next process (Closed circuit).



- Take home message: Closed circuit operation.

Screen Duties

- To prepare a sized product.



- Take home message: Final product sizing.

Duties

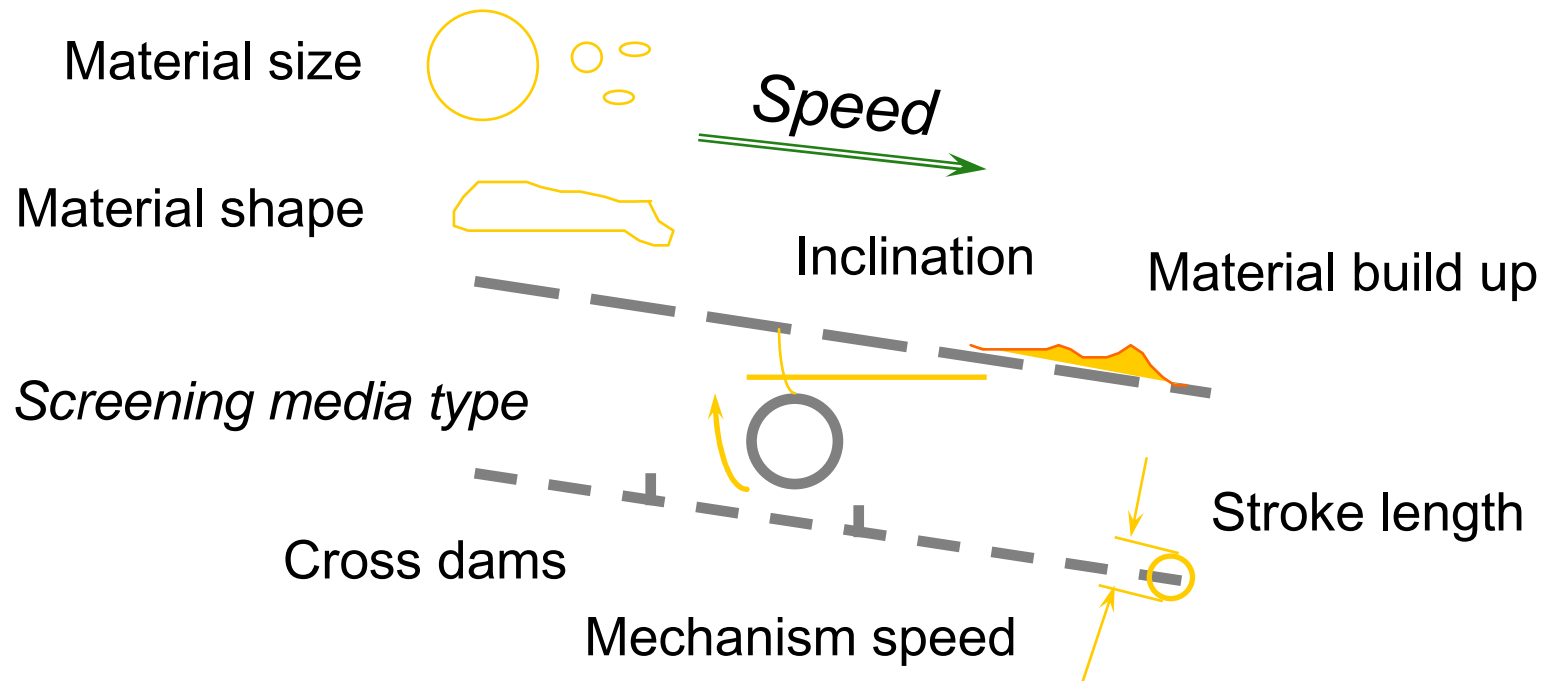
- **Vibrating Grizzly Feeder (VGF)** – Removes fines from the feed material prior to the primary crusher. Another application would be to scalp-off dirty material which may be in the feed.
- **Primary Scalper** - Size primary material for secondary reduction and or to classify products (gabion or rip-rap stone).
- **Secondary Screen** - Size material for tertiary feed.
- **Tertiary Screen** - Final size and or separate material for quaternary circuit.
- **Final Screens** – Open circuit, to product piles.

Bed Depth (Discharge end)

- Maximum bed depth at discharge end is 4x the separation.
 - If too thick, probability is decreased for sized aggregate to properly stratify and pass through an opening. • **Thick bed:**
- Minimum bed depth is 1x the separation.
 - If too thin, material can bounce, stay suspended and not stratify or find an opening, thus reducing accuracy. • **Thin bed:**



Factors Effecting Material Speed



Gravity Free Fall = 32.2 ft/second²

$$G_{\text{force}} = \frac{\text{RPM}^2 \times \text{Throw}}{70418}$$

$$G_{\text{force}} = \frac{800^2 \times 7/16''}{70418} = 3.9$$

Steps to Improving Screen Performance

- Identify the improvement you want or determine the problem that you have with your vibrating screen.
 - *Examples: Increase tph, improve accuracy, cleaner product, reduce recirculating load, etc.*
- If you have a new problem, determine if something has changed in the circuit, material characteristics, crusher setting, screen opening, screen speed and stroke.
- Gather specific application data as it applies to that unit and seek assistance from the local dealer or manufacturer.
- Take home message: Every question is a good question!

Types of Vibrating Screens



Incline



High Frequency



Horizontal



Scalper



Differential Deck



Roller Screen = non-vibrating

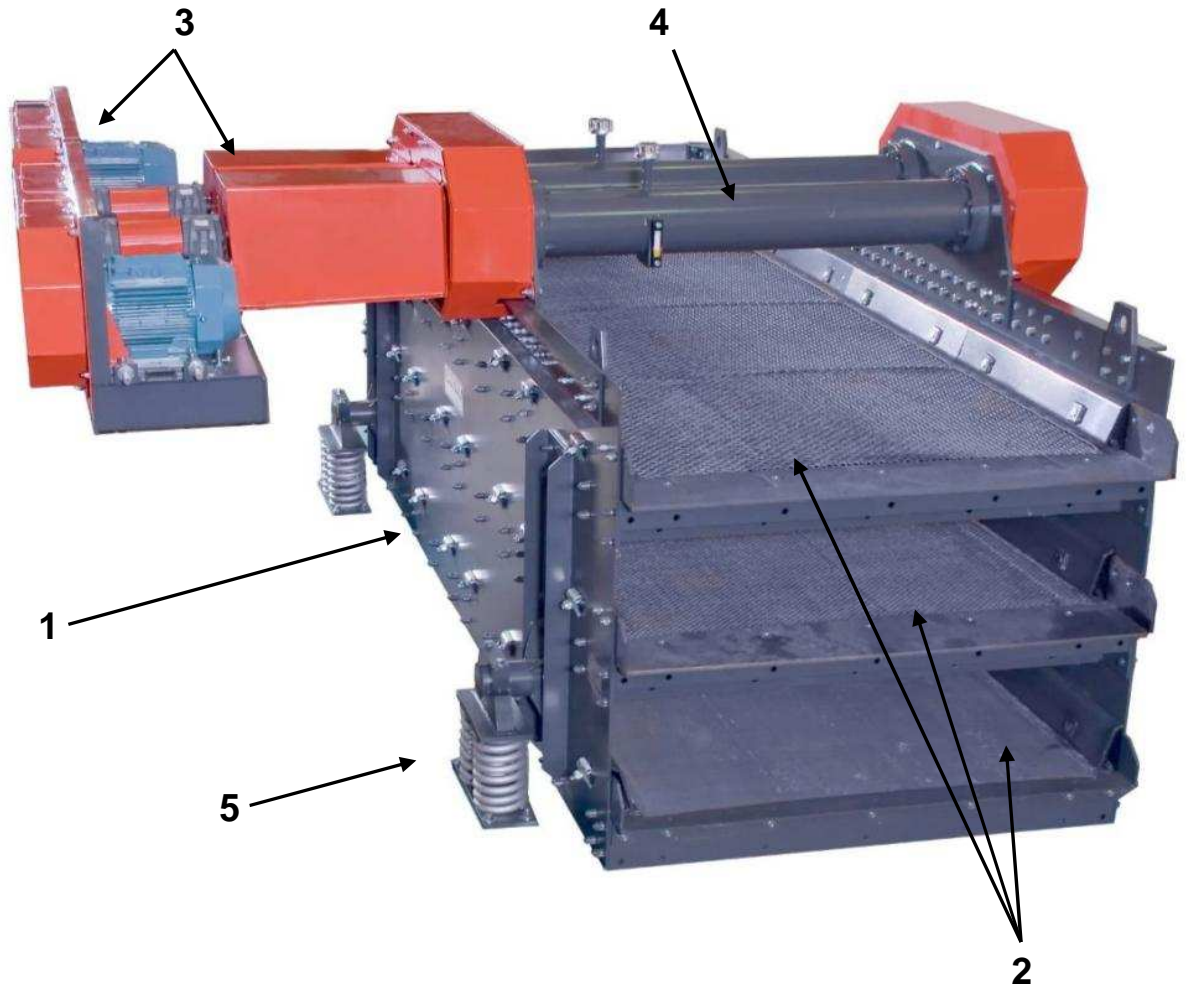
Vibrating Screen Components

Terms

1. Screen body
2. Media
3. Drive: Motor(s) with v-belts or cardan shaft kit
4. Mechanism/Exciter
5. Spring support assemblies

Options not shown:

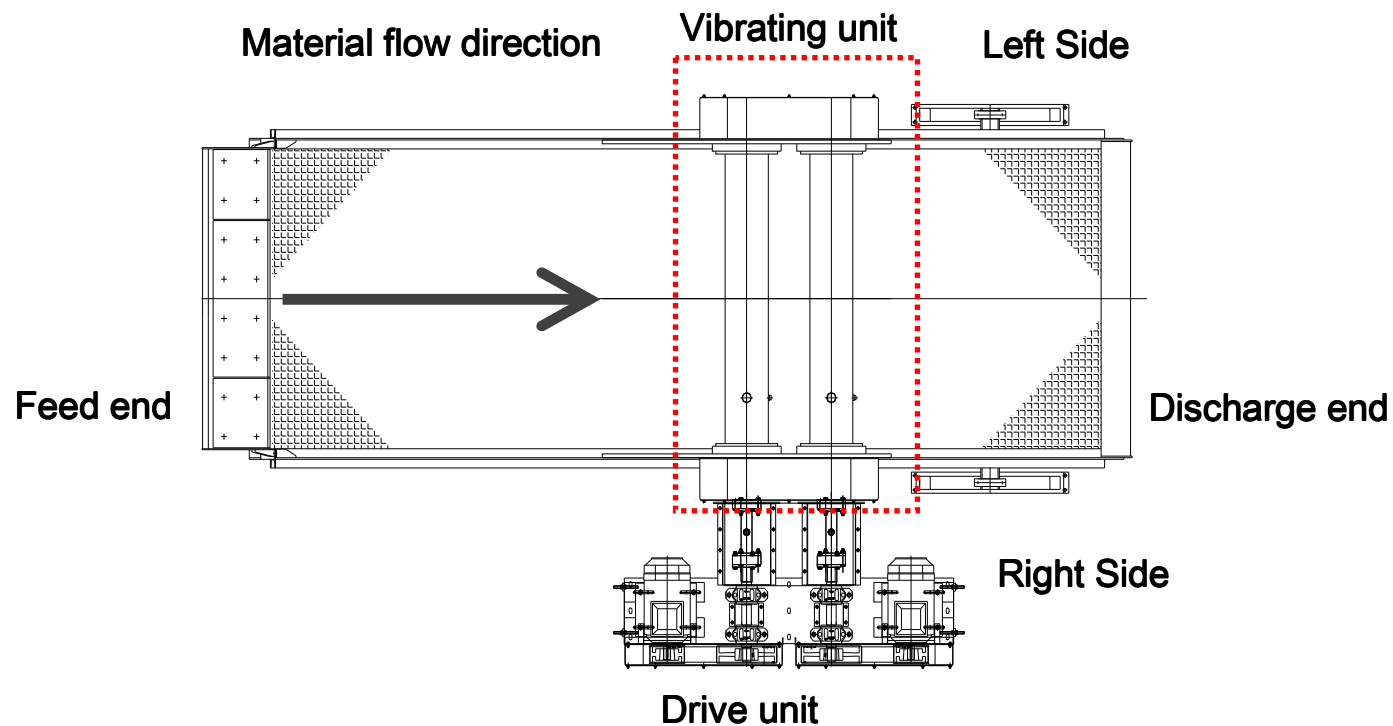
- Dust encapsulation
- Spray bar system
- Galvanized
- Support structure...



Vibrating Screen

TERMS

- Feed end
- Discharge end
- Hand of drive
 - ✓ Determined by looking from feed end to discharge end. I.e. Material flow direction.
 - ✓ In this case screen is right handed.
- Stroke angle
- Stroke length
- Equipment/serial number



Types of Feeders



Reciprocating Plate



VGF with Screen Deck



Vibrating Grizzly



Pan Feeders



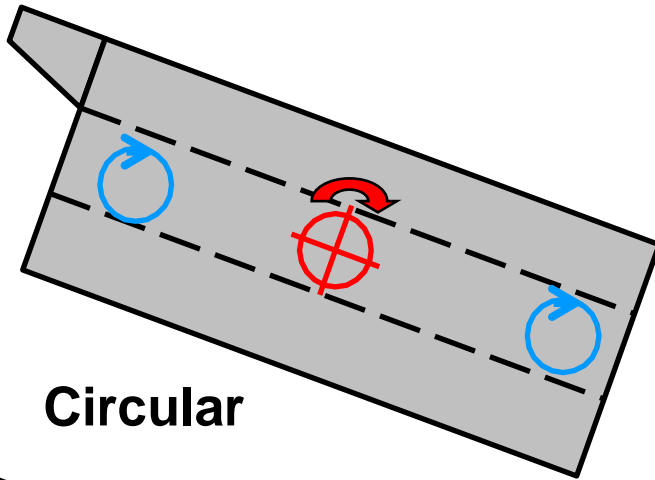
XHD Scalper



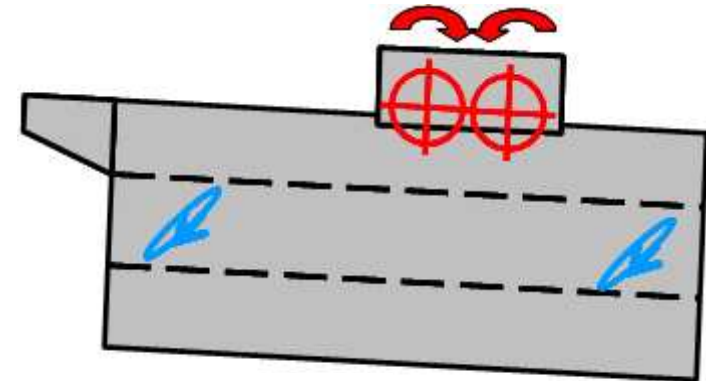
Grizzly Screen

Including Belt Feeders
** Not pictured above

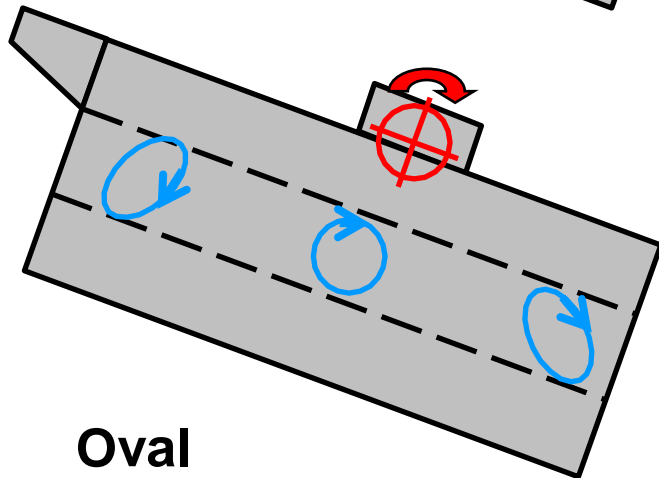
Types of Motion



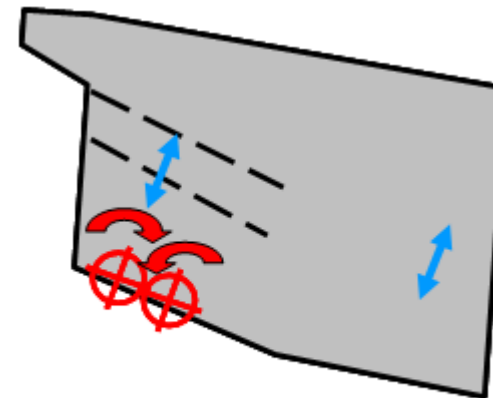
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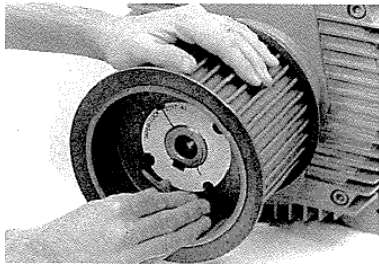
Elliptical



Oval



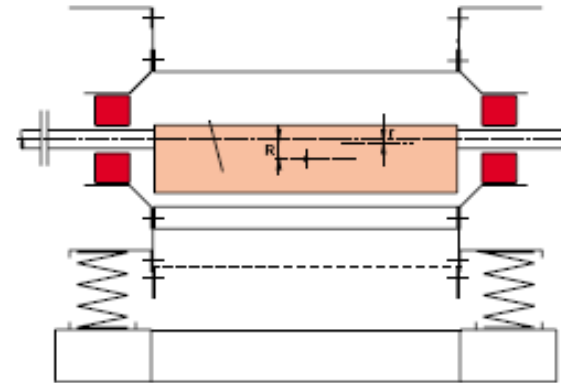
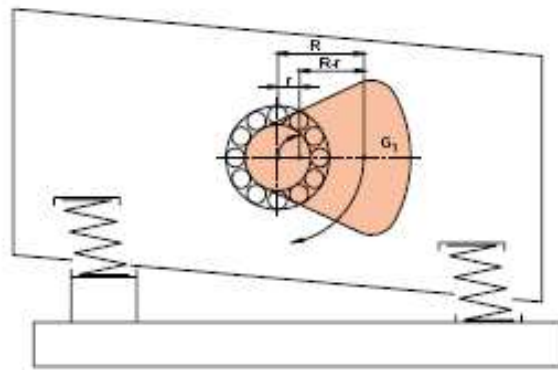
Straight Line



Machine Drive (Exciter)

Two bearing (per shaft line)

- Eccentric shaft design
- Concentric shaft design
- Counterweight



Notes:

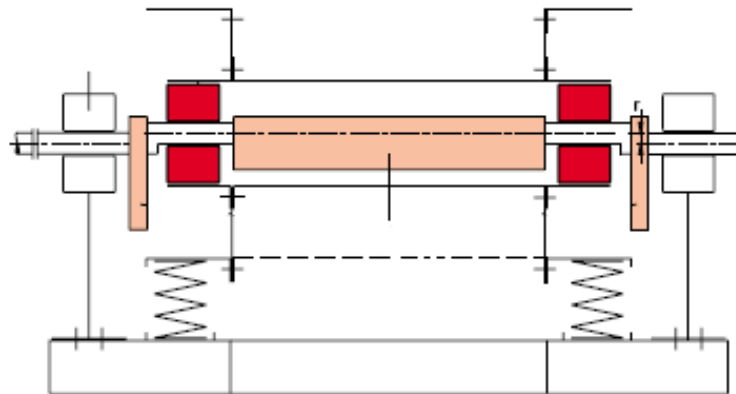
- Resultant circular throw if the exciter is located on the “center of gravity” of the screen box as illustrated above.
- If the exciter is located above the “center of gravity” or on top of the screen box, it will produce a forward ellipse at the feed end, circle throw below the exciter shaft line and reverse ellipse at the discharge end.
- If two shaft lines are required for increased bearing life or carrying capacity, the shafts are normally timed via a timing belt. In this scenario the shafts rotate in the “same” direction.



Machine Drive (Exciter)

Four bearing positive stroke

- Single eccentric crankshaft design
- Counterweight
- Circle throw - only



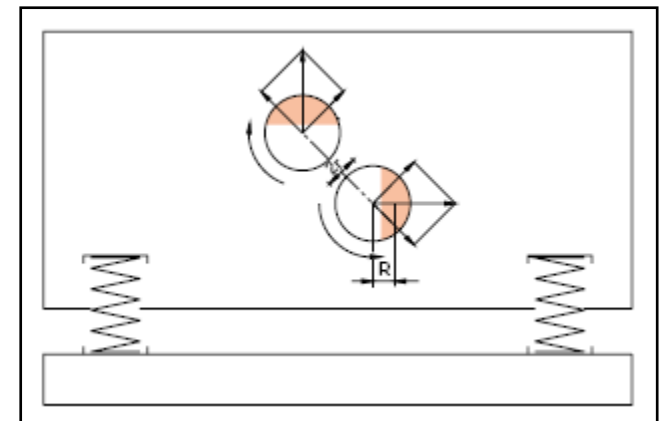
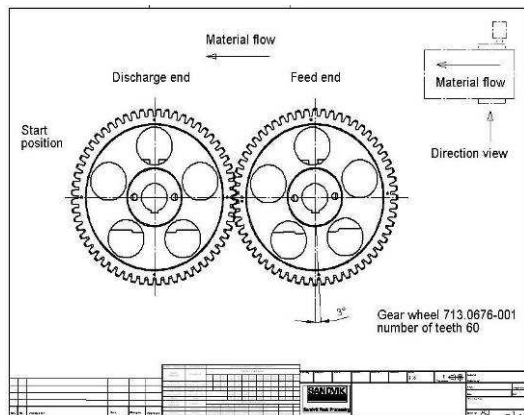
Notes:

- Referred to as a “positive stroke” machine. Crankshaft design always produces a positive stroke similar to the crankshaft in a car. Used in the mining industry or in applications where high surge loads are common.

Machine Drive (Exciter)

Two shafts - four bearings – Timed with gears

- Applied for use on a vibrating grizzly feeder or on a horizontal dewatering screen. Drive mechanism could be mounted below the frame as in the case of a feeder or above the body in the case of a horizontal type dewatering screen.
- Typically a 35° - 45° straight line of action.
- Shafts rotate in opposite directions via the gears controlling the throw angle, height and how far the material travels with each complete turn of the shafts.



Machine Drive (Exciter)

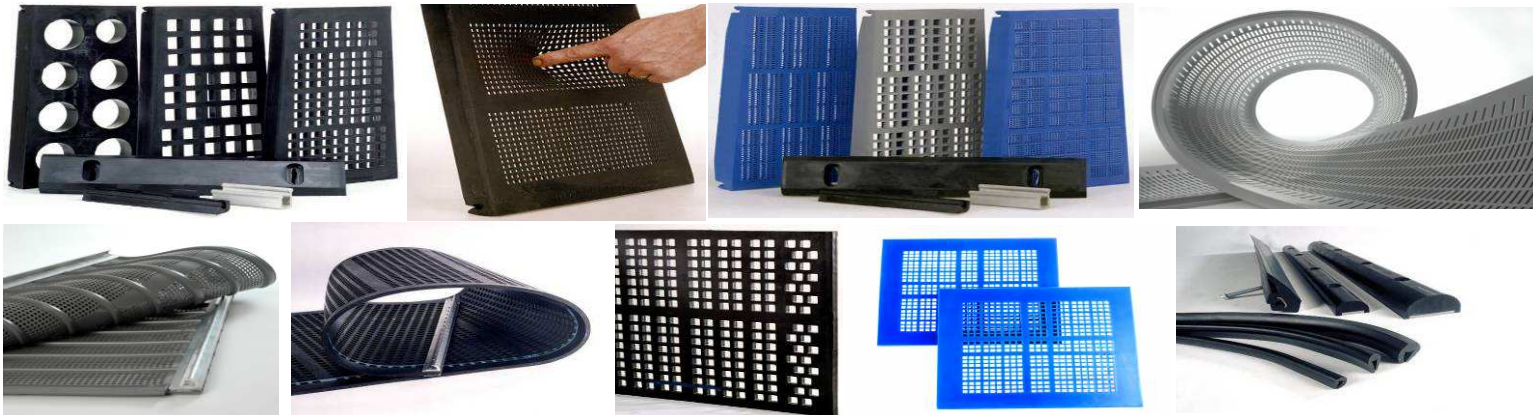
Offset motors (Electric)

- Stub-shaft with counterweights
- Typically produce a straight line motion



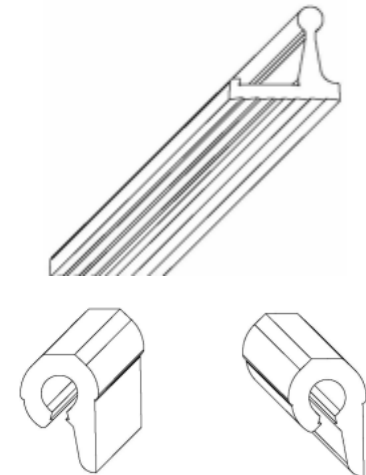
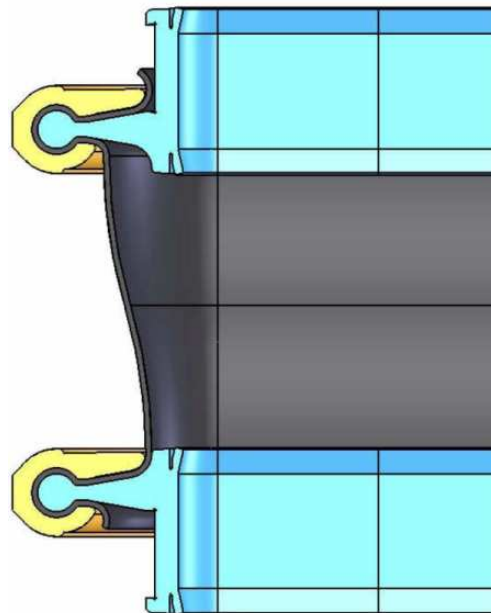
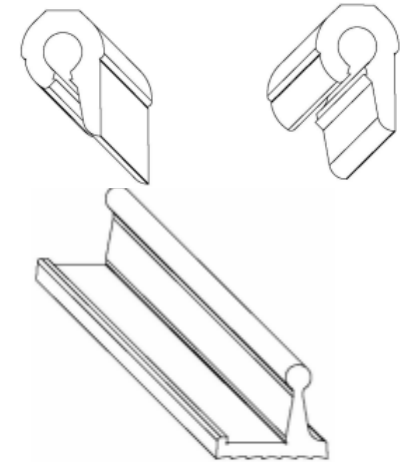
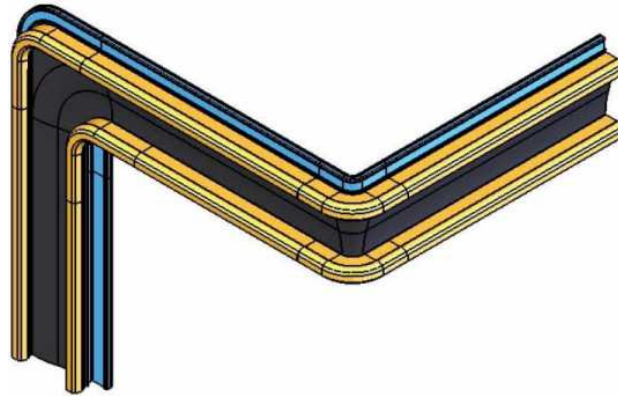
Options: Screening Media

- Woven wire cloth
- Plastic (Monofilament)
- Piano wire
- Rod deck
- Grizzly bar
- Louvered deck
- Profile deck
- Polyurethane (PU)
- Rubber
- Perforated plate
- Cast plate deck
- Rubber clad perforated plate



Options: Dust Encapsulation

- Safety
- Good neighbor
- Sound
- Dust



Options

- Base frame
- Cardan shaft drive
- Liners
- Special paint or coating
- Spray bar system....



Conclusion

- Safety first. When a screening issue arises, always look for the obvious (broken spring, belt too tight or too loose, broken cross member, loose bolting hardware).
- Remember the three 3-S's...speed, stroke and slope.

Take home message:

Lockout – Tagout always.

Screens are often the critical link in the value chain.



$$X = V_0 t + \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$



With enough velocity,
pigs fly just fine!

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So to can vibrating screens!

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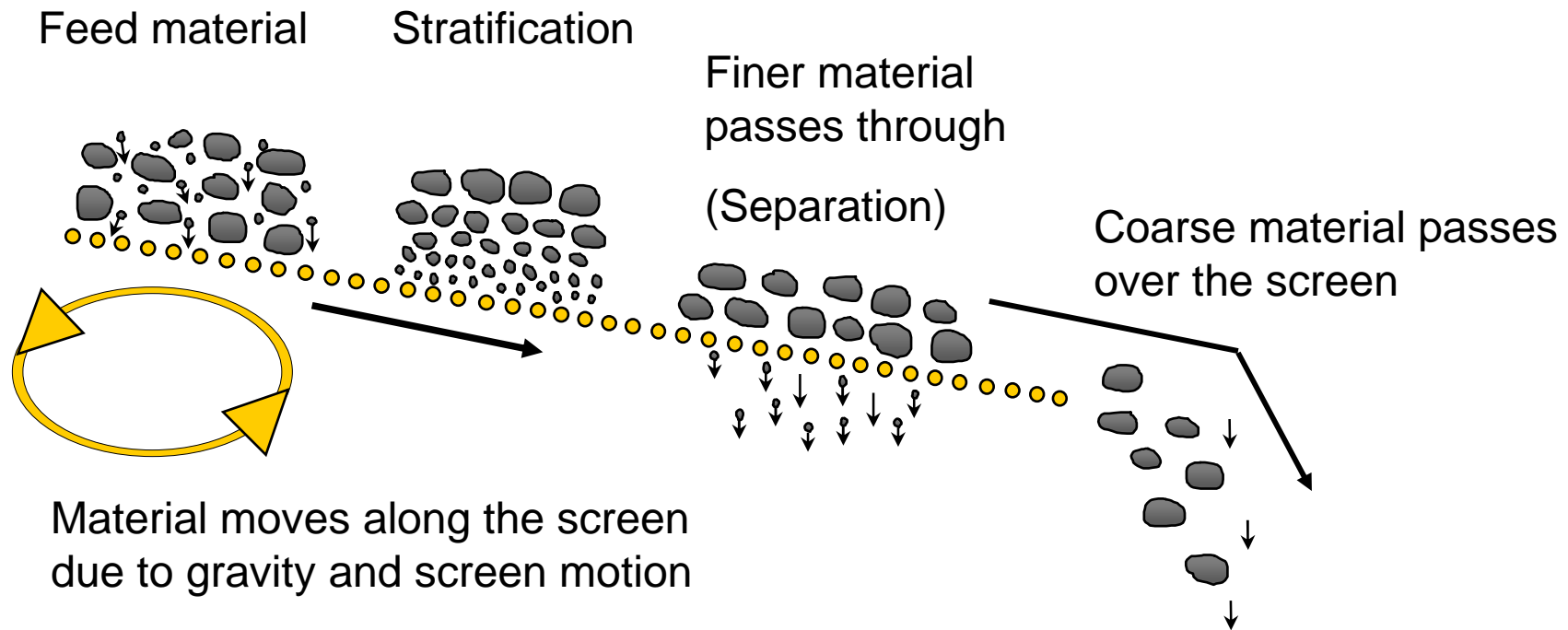
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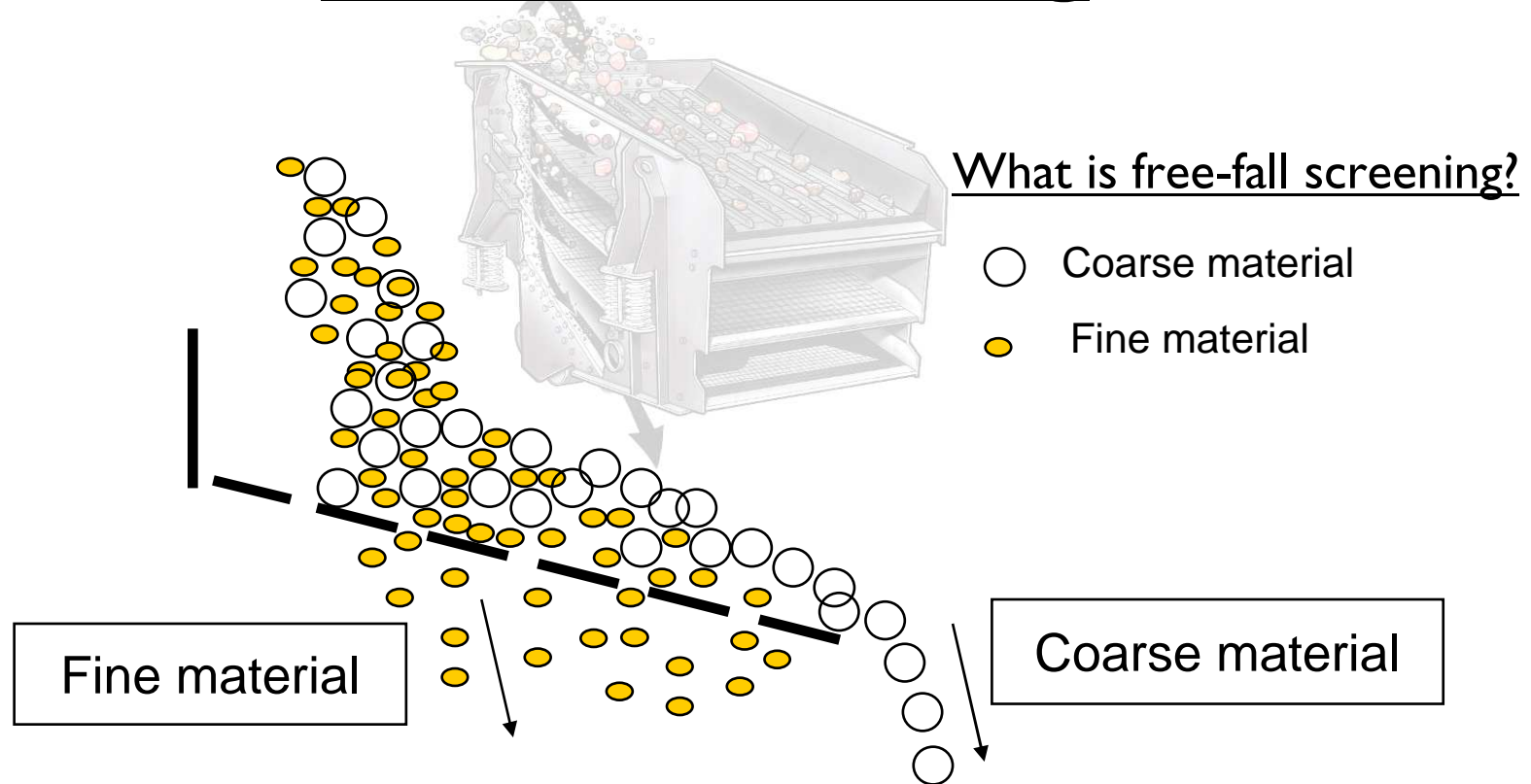


Conventional Screening - Stratification

This is Conventional Screening –
it is based on stratification



Free-Fall Screening



- Free-fall screening is based on the principle of free-fall of the material through and over the deck. I.e. No particle layer will build up on the screen deck.
- Optimal free-fall screening demands at least 70 % of the feed through the deck. I.e. High % of fines in the feed, high capacity.