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Create a folder on C:/ root directory called Aminpro. The path should be: C:/Aminpro/ Copy and paste the Aminpro Add-in.xla file into the new folder.

Excel 2003

Open Excel 2003 and Select “Tools > Add-Ins > Browse” and browse the Aminpro Add-In.xla file Click Ok.

Excel 2007 or Excel 2010

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Updates

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Flotation Functions

Notes

1. All recovery input values should be in decimal format (i.e. fractions and not percent). Some functions contain minor data validation checks that are not included in the descriptions below.

=Recovery(head, con, tail)

Calculates metal or other assay value recovery using the three-product formula

$$\text{Recovery} = \text{con} / \text{head} * (\text{head} - \text{tail}) / (\text{con} - \text{tail})$$

=CMFlotRec(K, t, Rmax, Rf)

Returns metal recovery for a continuous mixer, excluding entrainment

$$\text{CMFlotRec} = \text{Rc} * \text{Rf} / (\text{Rc} * \text{Rf} + 1 - \text{Rc})$$

Where:

$$\text{Rc} = (\text{K} * \text{t}) / (1 + \text{K} * \text{t}) * \text{Rmax}$$

=PFFlotRec(K, t, Rmax, Rf)

Returns metal recovery for a plug flow reactor (batch test), excluding entrainment

$$\text{PFFlotRec} = \text{Rmax} (1 - \exp(-\text{k} * \text{t} * \text{Rf}))$$

=CMTotRec(K, t, Rmax, Rf, Re)

Returns metal recovery for a continuous mixer, including entrainment

$$\text{CMTotRec} = (\text{Rf} / ((1 - \text{Rf}) * \text{Rmax}))$$

Where:

$$\text{Rc} = (\text{K} * \text{t}) / (1 + \text{K} * \text{t}) * \text{Rmax} \text{ Rf} =$$

$$\text{Rc} * \text{Rf} / (\text{Rc} * \text{Rf} + 1 - \text{Rc})$$

=BTRecovery(K, t, Rmax, Rf, Rw, DE)

Returns metal recovery for a batch test, including entrainment Rf

$$= \text{Rmax} * (1 - \exp(-\text{K} * \text{t} * \text{Rf}))$$

$$\text{BTRecovery} = \text{Rf} + (1 - \text{Rf}) * \text{Rw} * \text{DE}$$

=MassRec(head, con, tail)

Returns mass recovery from metal assays

$$\text{MassRec} = (\text{head} - \text{tail}) / (\text{con} - \text{tail})$$

=DegEnt(DE0, DE20, DE50, size)

Returns degree of entrainment for a given size from the DE0, DE50, and DE20,

Using the modified Swebrec function

$$\text{DegEnt} = \text{fx} / (1 + \text{fx})$$

Where

$$\text{fx} = \text{Mx} ^ {(\text{Log}(0.25) / \text{Log}(\text{M80}))}$$

$$\text{Mx} = \text{Log}(\text{DE0} / \text{size}) / \text{Log}(\text{DE0} / \text{DE50}) \quad \text{M80} =$$

$$\text{Log}(\text{DE0} / \text{DE20}) / \text{Log}(\text{DE0} / \text{DE50})$$

Grinding and Milling Functions

=SAGMillPower(Diameter, EGL, BallCharge, TotalCharge, Percent_of_Critical, Ore_SG)

Returns the SAG mill power draw at the shell, in kW.

c1 = 3.51038

c2 = 2.55086

c3 = 0.57906

c4 = 0.79952

SAGMillPower = c1 * Diameter ^ c2 * EGL * (0.8 * Ore_SG + 0.6 * (BallCharge / 100 * (7.9 - Ore_SG) / (TotalCharge / 100)) + 0.2) * (TotalCharge / 100) ^ c3 * (Percent_of_Critical) ^ c4

=BallMillPower(Diameter, EGL, BallCharge, Percent_of_Critical)

Returns dry metric tonnes/hr using the Bond equation ratio

= EGL / Diameter

c1 = 0.23584

c2 = 3.672

c3 = 1.38614

c4 = 0.94434

c5 = 1.17798

BallMillPower = c1 * Diameter ^ c2 * ratio ^ c3 * BallCharge ^ c4 * Percent_of_Critical ^ c5

=BondTPH(Wi, P80, F80, CFnet, power)

Returns dry metric tonnes/hr using the Bond equation

BondTPH = power / (CFnet * 10 * Wi * (1 / Sqr(P80) - (1 / Sqr(F80))))

=BondP80(Wi, F80, CFnet, Power, TPH)

Returns the P80 of a ball mill circuit using the Bond equation BondP80 = 1

/ ((F80 ^ -0.5) + (Power / (10 * TPH * Wi * CFnet))) ^ 2

=BondSE(Wi, P80, F80, CFnet)

Returns kWh/tonne using the Bond equation

$$\text{BondSE} = 10 * \text{Wi} * \text{CFnet} * (1 / \text{sqrt}(\text{F80}) - 1 / \text{sqrt}(\text{P80}))$$

= Vc(diameter, u)

Returns the critical velocity of a tumbling mill, in RPM. u specifies units (metric is default) $V_c =$

$$76.64 / \text{Sqr}(\text{diameter})$$

= MillRPM(diameter, Vpc, u)

Returns the RPM of a tumbling mill, given the diameter and percent of critical speed (Vpc). U specifies units (metric is default)

$$V_{cr} = 76.64 / \text{Sqr}(\text{diameter}) * \text{Vpc}$$

= BondWi(screensize, grams_per_rev, P80, F80)

Returns the Bond work index, in metric tonnes, from the Bond test data

$$\text{Wi} = 44.5 / (\text{ScreenSize} ^ 0.23 * \text{grams_per_rev} ^ 0.82 * (10 / (\text{P80} ^ 0.5) - 10 / (\text{F80} ^ 0.5)))$$

$$\text{BondWi} = 2204.6/2000 * \text{Wi}$$

Chemistry & Mineralogy Functions

Notes

1. All formula inputs should be in the form of text strings (i.e. in quotations if direct input).

=ChemForm("mineral" as string)

Returns the chemical formula for the user-specified mineral name

=SpecGrav(mineral_formula)

Returns the specific gravity for the user-specified mineral formula (as string)

=MolWeight(mineral_formula)

Returns the molecular weight of the user-specified mineral formula (as string)

=MinFrac(element, mineral_formula)

Returns the % of an element comprising the user-specified mineral formula (as string)

=AtomicWeight("A")

Returns the atomic weight of an element (element in quotations)

Pumping Functions

= LtoS(PSm)

Returns liquids to solids ratio from the percent solids of a slurry LtoS

$$= (100 - PSm) / PSm$$

$$LtoS = (1 - PSm) / PSm$$

=PSm(LtoS)

Returns the percent solids from the L:S ratio PSm

$$= 100 / (1 + LtoS)$$

=PSv(PSm, SGs)

Returns the percent solids by volume from the SG of the solids and the percent solids by mass PSv

$$= PSm / SGs * (1 / (100 - PSm + PSm / SGs))$$

=PulpDensity(PSm, SGs)

Returns the pulp density from solids SG and the percent solids by mass for water slurry

$$PulpDensity = 1 / (PSm / SGs + (1 - PSm))$$

=PulpPerSol(PulpDensity, SolidsSG)

Returns the pulp percent solids from the pulp density and solids specific gravity

$$PulpPerSol = (1 / PulpDensity - 1) / (1 / SolidsSG - 1)$$

=FrictionLoss(HazenWilliamsC, Q, ID, EqLength)

Returns friction losses in a pipe using ^ Hazen-Williams equation (units are metric)

$$\text{FrictionLoss} = \text{EqLength} * 0.002083 * (100 / \text{HazenWilliamsC})^{1.85} * (Q * 1000 / 3.785 / 60)^{1.85} / \\ (\text{ID} * 100 / 2.54)^{4.8655}$$

=CriticalVelocity(PSv, SGs, D50, ID)

Returns critical settling velocity for a slurry

$$\text{CriticalVelocity} = 1.25 * (-0.0044 + PSv * 0.0034 + \text{Log}(D50) * 0.182975) * (2 * 9.81 * \text{ID} * (SGs - 1))^{0.25}$$

=WaterVisc(Temp)

Returns water viscosity as a function of the temperature (in degrees Kelvin)

A = 0.00002414

b = 247.8

C = 140

WaterVisc = A * 10 ^ (b / (Temp - C)) * 1000

=PulpViscosity(PSm, SGs, Temp)

Returns slurry viscosity from the percent solids and solids specific gravity for a given temperature (Kelvin)

Vw = WaterVisc(Temp) PSVol

= PSv(PSm, SGs)

PulpViscosity = Vw / (1 - PSVol ^ 0.333)

=PulpViscosityCR(PSm, SGs, Temp)

Returns slurry viscosity from the percent solids and solids specific gravity for a given temperature (Kelvin)

Vw = WaterVisc(Temp) PSVol

= PSv(PSm, SGs)

PulpViscosity = Vw * exp(2.5 * PSVol / (1-(0.609 * PSVol)))

Size Distribution Functions

= GGSK50(D50, m)

Returns the Gates-Gaudin-Schuhman constant K from the D50 and constant m

$$\text{GGSK} = \text{D50} / (0.5)^{(1/m)}$$

= GGSK80(D80, m)

Returns the Gates-Gaudin-Schuhman constant K from the D80 and constant m

$$\text{GGSK} = \text{D80} / (0.8)^{(1/m)}$$

= GGSP80(K, m)

Returns the Gates-Gaudin-Schuhman P80 from the K and m constants

$$\text{GGSP80} = 0.8^{(1/m)} * \text{K}$$

= GGSX(K, m, P)

Uses the Gates-Gaudin-Schuhman distribution to calculate the size for a given percent passing value

$$\text{GGSX} = (\text{P}^{(1/m)}) * \text{K}$$

= GGSP(K, m, X)

Uses the Gates-Gaudin-Schuhman distribution to return the percent passing size X

$$\text{GGSPX} = (\text{X} / \text{K})^m$$

= RosRamPX(b, m, percent)

Returns Px size (size at which x percent is finer) using Rosin-Rammler equation

$$\text{RosRamPX} = (\text{Log}(1 - \text{percent} / 100) / -\text{b})^{(1/m)}$$

= RosRamB(b, m, size)

Returns cumulative percent passing size x from Rosin-Rammler b and m constants

$$\text{RosRamB} = (1 - \text{Exp}(-\text{b} * (\text{size}^m))) * 100$$

= RosRamP80(P80, m, size)

Returns cumulative percent passing size x from P80 and Rosin Rammler m constant

RosRamP80 = $(1 - \text{Exp}(\text{Log}(0.2) / (\text{P80}^m) * \text{size}^m)) * 100$

= RosRamP80X(P80, m, percent)

Returns size at which the user-specified percent passing occurs, using P80 and m values

RosRamP80X = $(\text{P80}^m * \text{Log}(1 - \text{percent} / 100) / \text{Log}(0.2))^{\frac{1}{m}}$

=Swebrec(xmax, x50, b, size)

Returns cumulative percent passing size x from Swebrec function

Swebrec = $100 / (1 + (\text{Log}(\text{xmax} / \text{size}) / \text{Log}(\text{xmax} / \text{x50}))^b)$

=SwebrecX(xmax, x50, b, percent)

Returns size X for the given percent passing using the Swebrec function

Swebrecx = $\text{xmax} / \text{Exp}(\text{Log}(\text{xmax} / \text{x50}) * (1 / \text{percent} - 1)^{\frac{1}{b}})$

=SwebrecP80(x100, x80, x50, size)

Uses the Swebrec function to returns the cumulative percent passing "size" given the X100, X80, and X50 of a size distribution

Mx = $\text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{size}) / \text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X50})$ M80 =

$\text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X80}) / \text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X50})$

SwebrecP80 = $1 / (1 + \text{Mx}^{\frac{1}{\text{Log}(0.25) / \text{Log}(\text{M80})}}) * 100$

=SwebrecP80X(x100, x80, x50)

Uses the Swebrec function to return the size at which the user-specified percent passing occurs, using the X100, X80, and X50 of a size distribution

M80 = $\text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X80}) / \text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X50})$ b =

$\text{Log}(0.25) / \text{Log}(\text{M80})$

SwebrecP80X = $\text{X100} / \text{Exp}(\text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X50}) * (1 / \text{percent} - 1)^{\frac{1}{b}})$

=SwebrecB(x100, 80, bx50,)

Returns the Swebrec b parameter from the X100, X50, and X80 parameters. M80 =

$\text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X80}) / \text{Log}(\text{X100} / \text{X50})$

SwebrecB = $\text{Log}(0.25) / \text{Log}(\text{M80})$

=TylerSize(mesh_number)

Returns the Tyler sieve size in microns for a given mesh number

=ASTMSize(sieve_number)

Returns the ASTM E11:87 sieve size in microns for the given sieve number

Classification Functions

=Whiten(D50, alpha, size)

Returns cumulative percent passing size x from Whiten function

$$\text{Whiten} = (\text{Exp}(\alpha * \text{size} / \text{d50}) - 1) / (\text{Exp}(\alpha * \text{size} / \text{d50}) + \text{Exp}(\alpha) - 2) * 100$$

=Plitt(d50, m, size)

Returns corrected recovery to U/F using Plitt function

$$\text{Plitt} = (1 - \text{Exp}(-\text{Log}(2) * (\text{size} / \text{d50})^m)) * 100$$

=WhitenB(d50, alpha, beta, size)

Returns the cumulative percent passing (or recovery) using the modified Whiten function

$$\text{WhitenB} = (\text{Exp}(\alpha * \text{size} / \text{d50}) - \beta) / (\text{Exp}(\alpha * \text{size} / \text{d50}) + \text{Exp}(\alpha) - (2 * \beta)) * 100$$

=WhitenBX(d50, alpha, beta, percent)

Returns the size at which a user-specified percent passing or recovery occurs, modified Whiten.

$$\text{WhitenBX} = (\text{d50} / \alpha) * \text{Log}((\text{percent} * \text{-Exp}(\alpha)) + (\text{percent} * 2 * \beta) - \beta) / (\text{percent} - 1))$$

=Krebs_Cap(Cyc_Model, VortexFinder_Diam, Pressure)

Returns feed capacity of common Krebs cyclones given a vortex finder and inlet pressure. The cyclone model must be selected from the following list, and the vortex finder diameter must be within the minimum and maximum given.

Description	VF_min	VD_median	VF_max
gMAX4	0.75	1.13	1.50
gMAX6-10	1.25	1.88	2.50
gMAX10	2.00	3.00	4.50
gMAX10-20	2.00	3.25	4.50
D15B-11 In	4.00	4.88	6.00
D15B-13 In	4.00	4.88	6.00
D15LB-gMAX	4.00	5.25	6.75
gMAX15	3.50	4.88	6.75
gMAX15-20	4.00	5.25	6.75
gMAX20	6.00	7.50	9.00
gMAX20-20	6.00	7.50	9.00
gMAX20-H	6.00	7.50	9.00
gMAX26	6.50	9.00	12.00

gMAX26-20	6.50	9.00	12.00
gMAX26-30	6.50	9.00	12.00
gMAX26-H	6.50	9.00	12.00
gMAX33	10.00	13.00	16.00
gMAX33-20	10.00	13.00	16.00
gMAX33-30	10.00	13.00	16.00
gMAX33-H	10.00	13.00	16.00

Geology & Exploration Functions

=DrillCoreDiam(Size_Code)

Returns the diamond drill core diameter from common drill sizes

Whiten = $(\text{Exp}(\alpha * \text{size} / d50) - 1) / (\text{Exp}(\alpha * \text{size} / d50) + \text{Exp}(\alpha) - 2) * 100$