

Optical Separator Layout



Overview

The pre-separator layout is really a challenge for the material selection and the ion-optical performance. The described solutions fulfill all the goals of a versatile next-generation in-flight facility.

Key Takeaways

An optical separator layout involves arranging sensors, optical elements, and processing units to efficiently identify and separate target materials or isotopes, depending on the application.

Industrial Optical Separator Layout

In waste sorting plants, optical separators are designed to automatically classify and separate materials such as plastics, metals, or biodegradable items. The layout typically includes: **Sensor Array:** Multiple synchronized cameras or hyperspectral sensors capture real-time data on the input stream. **Data Acquisition System:** Collects and processes sensor data, feeding it to computer vision algorithms.

Processing Unit: Neural network-based algorithms analyze the captured images to identify relevant waste items. **Actuation Mechanisms:** Robotic modules or air jets remove or redirect identified items to appropriate bins. **Integration with Plant Workflow:** The layout ensures minimal blockages, efficient handling of bulky items, and seamless integration with upstream and downstream processes.

The design emphasizes sensor placement, field of view, and synchronization to maximize detection accuracy and throughput. Energy efficiency, modularity, and adaptability to different waste types are also key considerations.



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Optical Separator Layout (Nuclear Physics) In nuclear physics, optical separators (fragment separators) are used to isolate rare isotopes from a primary heavy-ion beam. The layout involves: **Magnetic Elements:** Large-aperture superconducting magnets are arranged to bend and focus charged particles based on their mass-to-charge ratio.

Energy Degraders/

Wedges: Absorbing materials inserted at dispersive focal planes create Z-dependent energy loss, enabling separation of isotopes with similar rigidity.

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Based Design: Layouts often exploit mirror or rotational symmetries to reduce high-order aberrations and simplify optimization. **Multiple Stages:** Pre-separators and main separators may include several degrader stages to achieve high-resolution, monoisotopic beams. **Beam Diagnostics:** Detectors and monitoring systems are placed at strategic points to measure beam position, intensity, and purity.

The design prioritizes large acceptance, high resolution, and minimal losses, while handling high-power primary beams and large phase-space volumes. Numerical optimization of a basic cell with a few magnetic elements is often used to refine the layout. **Key Considerations Across Applications** **Sensor/Detector Placement:** Critical for accurate identification and separation.

Data Processing: Real-time analysis is essential for industrial separators; precise trajectory calculations are essential for ion-optical separators. **Material Handling:** In industrial systems, actuators must handle bulky or fragile items; in physics systems, beam containment and energy dissipation are crucial. **Modularity and Scalability:** Both types benefit from modular designs to adapt to different throughput or experimental requirements.

In summary, an optical separator layout is a carefully engineered arrangement of sensors, optical or magnetic elements, and processing units tailored to the specific separation task, whether for industrial waste sorting or high-precision isotope separation in nuclear physics.

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The first-order ion-optical layout of the pre-separator is presented in Fig. 5. The different types of magnets are indicated in the upper part of the ion-optical plot.

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