

# Devoted to 100 Anniversary of Professor Mikhail Slinko



**MIKHAIL  
GAVRILOVICH  
SLINKO -  
as a PERSON,  
a SOLDIER  
and a SCIENTIST  
(«M.G.»)**

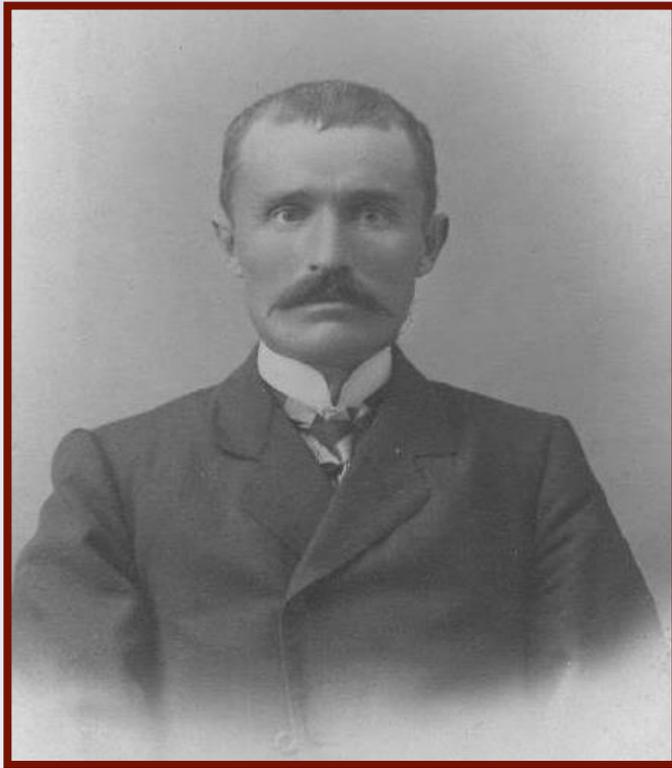
**15.09.1914 – 18.07.2008**

**Prof. Marina SLINKO**

# FAMILY

## Father

Gavrila Artem'evich SLINKO



(1874 – 1949)

## Mother

Vassa Gur'janovna SLINKO



(1884-1974)

# FATHER

1914



**G.A. SLINKO was a driver and mechanical engineer. During the First World War was a driver of a field ambulance and saved many poisoned men during the gas attack of German troops. He was awarded by one of the highest decoration- St.George cross.**

# SCHOOL

1922 - 1932

- **Physicists**  
**Andrei Saharov**



B.P. Gukov  
M.V.Volkenstein  
S.M.Rutov  
G. Zatsepin

- **Engineers**  
S.N.Chrushev

- **Artists**  
Vera Holodnaja  
Alexei Batalov  
Marija Mironova  
Igor Il'inskii  
Alexander Shirvindt

**school N10**



- **Poets**  
**Marina Tsvetaeva**



- **Mathematicians**  
V.J.Kozlov

- **Chemists**  
Nikolai Plate

- **Historians**  
S.S.Shmidt  
N.Edelman

- **Lawyers**  
G.P.Padva

**Many outstanding Russian scientists, architectures, poets, musicians and artist were graduated from the school N10.**

# SCHOOL

# graduated in 1932



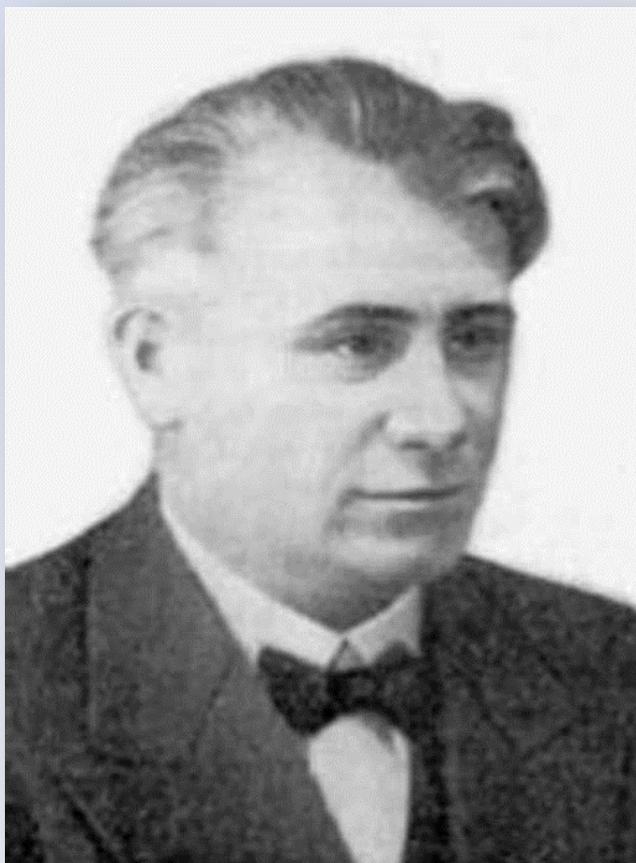
**Director Ivan Kuzmich Novikov-the talent teacher, created the new theory of secondary school education. His book «The planning of the work in school» published in 1947 was translated into 9 languages.**

# Work and Study

1932-1941

Years	Places of work and study			
1932	Graduated from the School			
1933	Work at the Institute for Design of Plants for the Basic Chemical Industry (GIPROCHIM)	Work at the Mendeleev Institute		
1934				
1935		Study at 3-d Course of Mendeleev Institute		Physical department of Moscow State University
1936				
1937				
1938		Scientific Institute of Fertilizers and Pest Control		
1939				
1940				
1941				

## GIPROCHIM and Mendeleev Institute



**Prof. Nikolai YUSHKEVICH**

**1885-1937**

- From 1933 to 1937 simultaneously he was a professor of the Mendeleev University of Chemical Technology, Leading engineer of ministry of Chemical Industry and the ministry of the heavy Industry of the USSR .
- **The main scientific results of prof. N.F. Yushkevich:**
  - Yushkevich method of sulfur production from pyrites;
  - The development of active vanadium catalysts for sulfuric acid production
  - (Yushkevich N.F., Shochin I.N. "Active vanadium catalyst for sulfuric acid production and the change of Pt catalyst for the new vanadium catalyst" The Journal of Russian Chemical Industry, 1929).

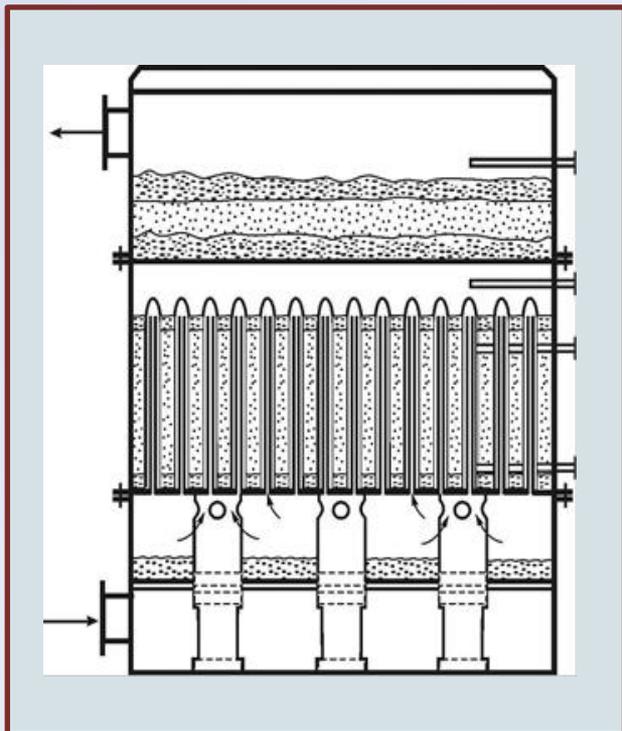
**The unity of theory, practice and education**

# **From 1933- on the position of Chemical Engineer in Giprochim and Mendeleev Institute**

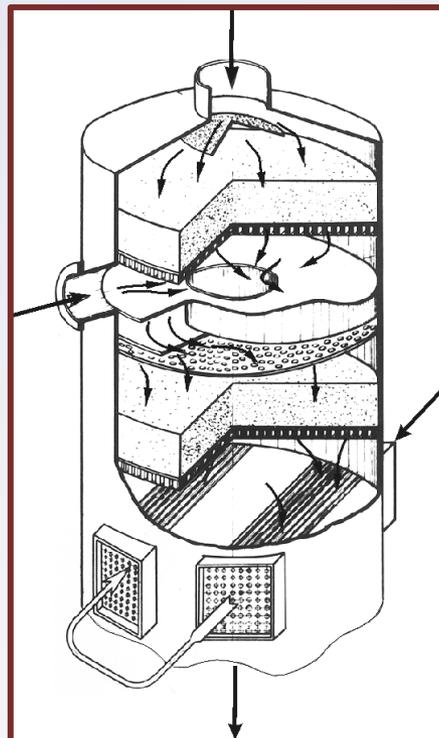
- **Under the supervision of Nicholai Yushkevich the following work has been done:**
- **1932** - participated in design and startup of the plant sulfur production from pyrites in Kalat (Ural in Russia)
- **1932** - Setting in and mathematical analysis of a lead tower chamber process of sulfuric acid production in Voskresensk (Moscow region)
- **1933-1935** - Mathematical modeling of the replacement of platinum catalysts to vanadium catalysts for the use of the catalytic contact process of sulfuric acid production



## Reactor K-39, the main reactor of sulfuric acid production was designed



Reactor from USA of Selden firm



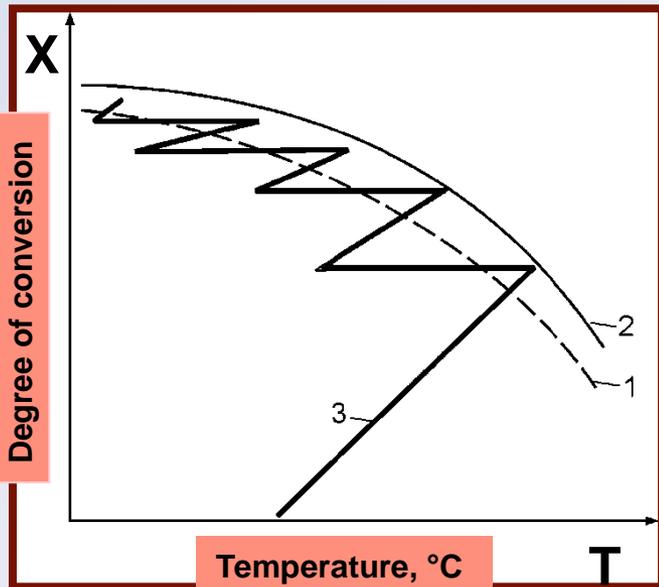
M. G. SLINKO designed a reactor for the oxidation of  $\text{SO}_2$  into  $\text{SO}_3$  in the production of sulfuric acid by the contact process with adiabatic catalyst layers and intermediate cooling between the layers.



Medal of the State Stalin Prize, 1943

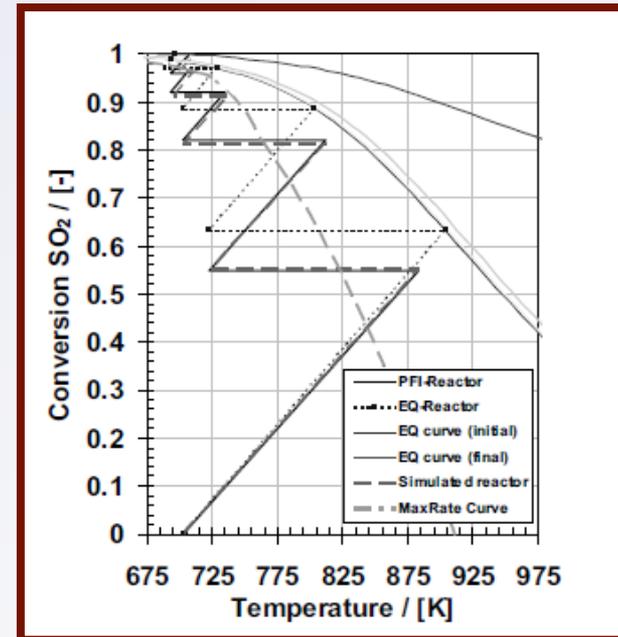
# Beginning of Mathematical Modeling of Chemical Reactors 1937-1939

The apparatus was designed by solving nonlinear differential equations by graphic and other approximate methods.



G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slinko, Zh. Prikl. Khim 16 (9-10), 377, 1943. // Principles of the design of Contact Reactors for reversible exothermic reactions

Optimization studies in sulfuric acid production by Anton A. Kiss, Costin S. Bildea, Peter J.T. Verheijen



16th European Symposium on Computer Aided Process Engineering and 9th International Symposium on Process Systems Engineering, W. Marquardt, C. Pantelides (Editors), 2006 Elsevier

# Theory of similarity and the black box methods were rejected for mathematical modeling of chemical reactors

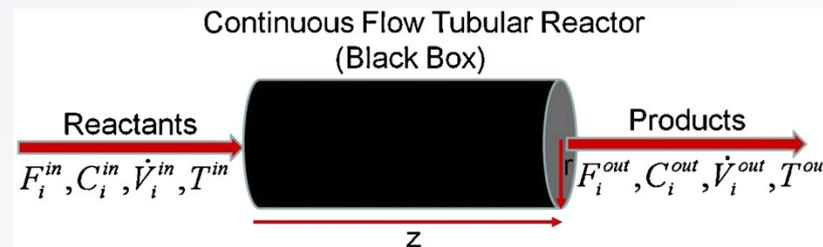
1937-1939

«M.G.» demonstrated that similarity theory cannot be applied for the scale-up and design of chemical reactors

From one side to keep the same the reaction rate  $\frac{L}{\nu}$  must be constant

From the other side to keep the same the influence of hydrodynamics upon the reaction rate in order to keep constant the Pe criteria  $L \times \nu$  must be constant

$L$  is the characteristic length,  $\nu$  the velocity.



Also «M.G.» denoted the treating a reactor as a black box. The method of multiple-correlations to find a functional correlations between parameters at the inlet and outlet of a reactor were rejected, because they did not reflect the peculiarities of the process and could not serve as a basis for the scaling-up.

# First publications

1935-1937

Prof. Malin Konstantin Mikhajlovich – one of the leading scientists of Scientific Institute of Fertilizers and Pest Control.

Under the supervision of prof. Malin 2 textbooks were published, where some calculations of MG were included.



K.M.Malin,  
I.D.Peisachov, N.L.Arkin,  
M.G.Slinko

## TECHNOLOGY OF SULFURIC ACID AND SULFUR

Part 1  
Part 2

*Publisher of chemical  
literature of USSR*

1935  
1937

**1932-1941**

## **Friendship with G.K.Boreskov**

**M.G. Slinko**



**G.K. Boreskov**



- G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slinko “Simulations of tubular contact reactor for SO<sub>2</sub> oxidation” Russian Journal of Chemical Industry, **1936**, 13, N4, 221-225
- G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slinko “Simulations of tubular contact reactor for SO<sub>2</sub> oxidation” Russian Journal of Chemical Industry, **1936**, 13, N5, 287-294
- K.A .Malin, N.L. Arkin, G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slinko “Technology of sulfuric acid production” Goschimisdats, Moscow, **1941**
- “Principles of the design of contact apparatuses for reversible exothermic reactions” G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slinko, Zh. Prikl. Khim, **1943** 16 (9-10), 377

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## MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY



**Prof. Igor Yevgenyevich Tamm**  
1895 – 1971

- An outstanding theoretical physicist, the Nobel Laureate in Physics for the year 1958 together with Pavel Cherenkov and Ilya Frank for the discovery and the interpretation of the radiation of electrons moving through matter faster than the speed of light (the Cerenkov effect)
- Igor Tamm was first to demonstrate high energy electron levels in the surface caused by the difference between the binding forces at the surface and in the bulk

I. Tamm (1932). "On the possible bound states of electrons on a crystal surface". *Phys. Z. Soviet Union* 1: 733.

- **Diploma topic of M.G. Slinko: definition of interference in the electronic states associated with the statistical fluctuations due to the discrete structure of matter and the thermal motion of charge carriers**

**19 of June 1941**

**«M.G.» Graduated from Moscow State University with Honors Diploma**



**Students of physical department of MSU, graduated with honours diploma**

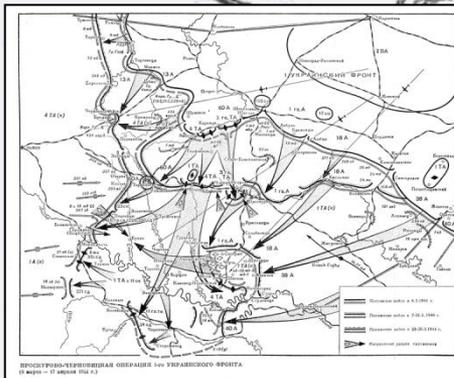
(From left to right : Zatsedin, Panchenko, **Slinko**, Petrov, Chentsov)

# Second World War

# 1941-1945



Head of the Fuel Supply Department of 1-st Tank Army



ВОСТОЧНО-УКРАИНСКАЯ ОПЕРАЦИЯ 1-ой ТАНКОВОЙ АРМИИ  
1943 г. 17 июля 1943 г.



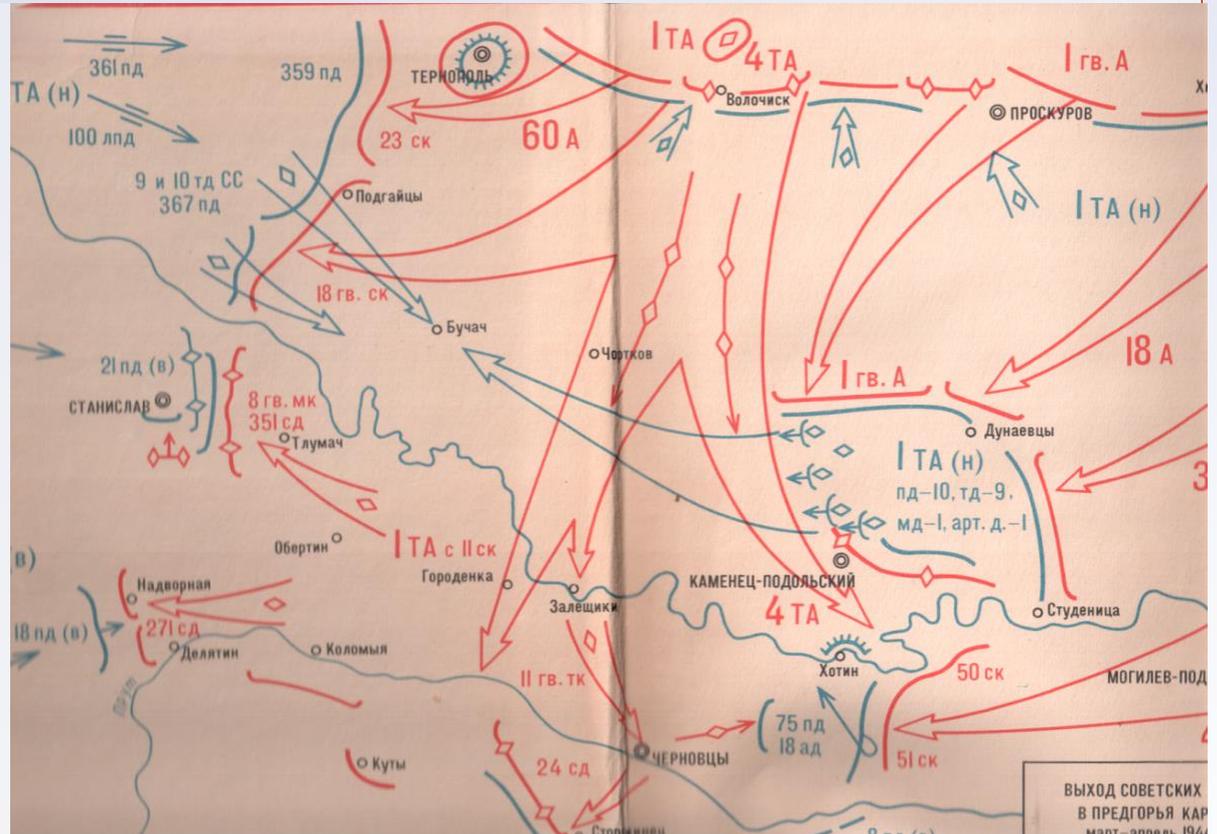
Platoon commander



Операцию под Курском немецкое командование назвало «Цитадель», что значит «крепость». Они рассчитывали на молниеносный удар и скорую победу.

# Struggle for the West Ukraine

1943



2000 tons of light oil were extracted in Karpat mountains and were distributed among 546 tanks, 3432 lorries, 585 cannons and 31 rocket launcher

V. F. Konkov, Rear services and supply of Soviet Army, (in Russian) 1982, N6, p.32

# Returning to the peaceful life

1946

**G.K.Boreskov**, 1946, the head of the laboratory of technical catalysis In Karpov Institute



**G.K. Boreskov and M.G. Slinko**

**Karpov institute** - one of the main Institutes of Ministry of Chemical Industry



**In 1946-1949 Karpov Institute was involved in atomic project**

# Atomic Project

1946-1948

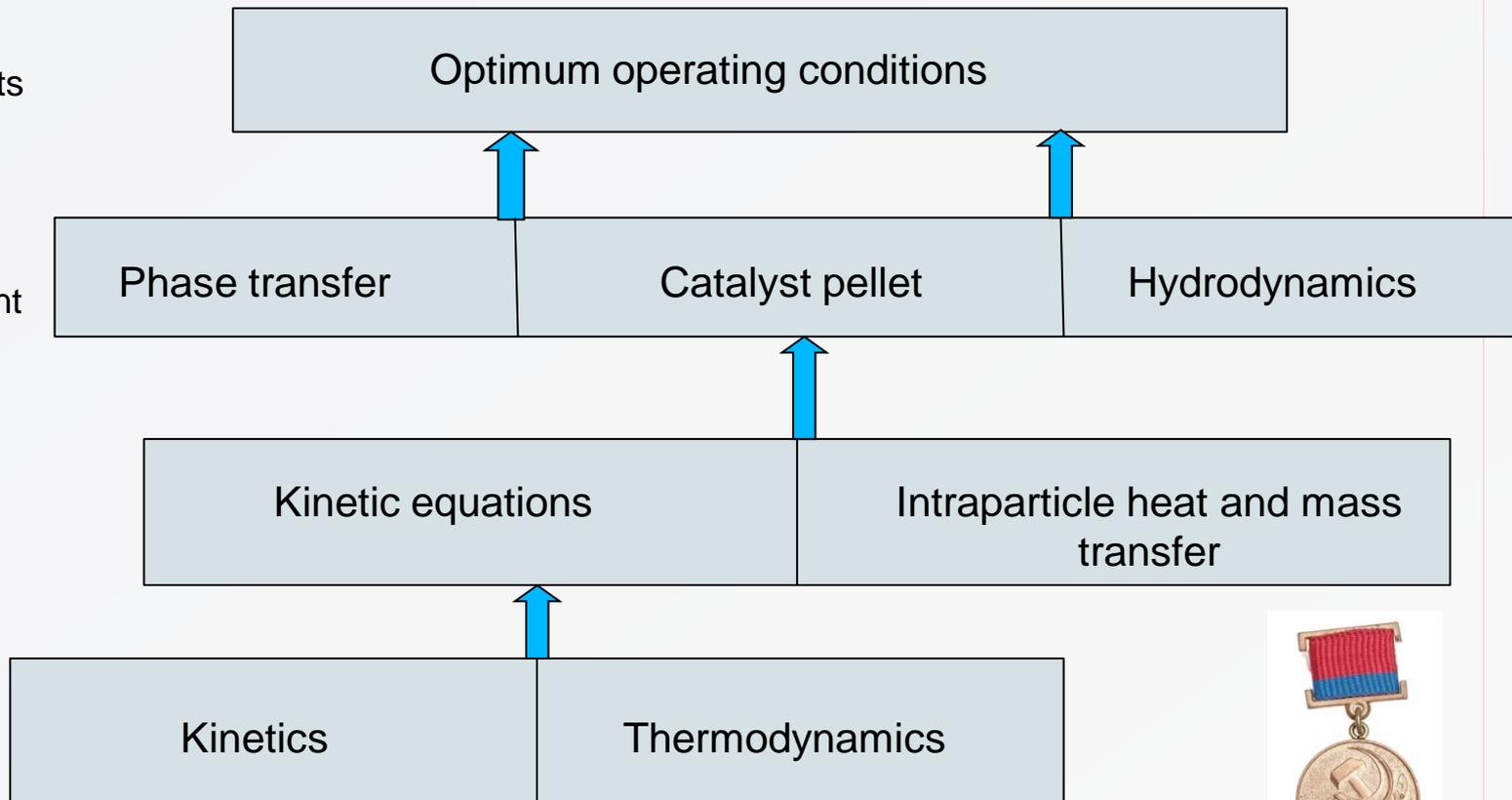
## Heavy Water Production by Catalytic Hydrogen-steam Exchange

Mega level.  
Cascade of elements  
The whole plant

Macro level.  
Catalysts layers of  
a separating element  
1-3 m

Mezo level.  
Catalyst pellet  
1-10 mm

Molecular level.  
1-1000 Å



1948-the plant for heavy water production in Chirchik city in Uzbekistan began to work.

In 1972 on the basis of the results of mathematical modelling the intensification of plant for heavy water production in Ukraine had been done and this work was awarded with the State prize of Ukraine.

# Atomic Project

1946-1948

## Kinetics of Catalytic Hydrogen-steam Exchange Reaction over Ni-Cr catalysts $\text{HD} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{HDO}$

### The first level

$$W_r = k_2 (\alpha c_{\text{HDO}} \lambda^{0.5} - c_{\text{HD}} \lambda^{-0.5})$$

where  $W_r$ -real reaction rate,  $\alpha$ -separation factor,  $\lambda = \frac{P_{\text{H}_2}}{P_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}}$



### The second level-the catalyst pellet

$$W_{obs} = S \left[ 2D \int_{c_c}^{c_s} W_r(c) dc \right]^{0.5}$$

$$k_{obs} = S \left[ \frac{k_2 D_1}{A\alpha + B \frac{D_1}{D_2}} \right]^{0.5}$$

A and B factors, which determine the dependence of direct and reverse reaction upon the other parameters, which were nearly constant;  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ -diffusion coefficients of hydrogen and water vapor

## 1949 - PhD work on kinetics of isotope exchange between hydrogen and water

1952, M.G.Slinko, G.K.Boreskov"About kinetics of reversible reactions in the region of internal diffusion"  
Russian J.Phys.Chem, v.26, N2, 235

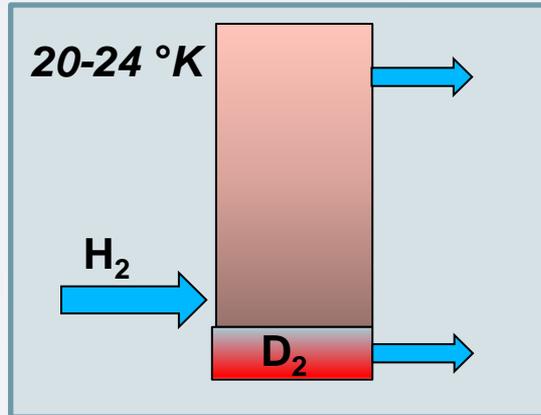
1965, E.S. Nedumova, G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slin'ko "Kinetics of isotope exchange between hydrogen and water vapor over Ni catalysts" 1.Effect of transport processes on reaction rate. Kinetica I kataliz, 6, N1, p. 65

1965, E.S. Nedumova, G.K. Boreskov, M.G. Slin'ko "Kinetics of isotope exchange between hydrogen and water vapor over Ni catalysts" Effect of pressure in the region of the internal diffusion... Kinetica I kataliz №2, p. 360.

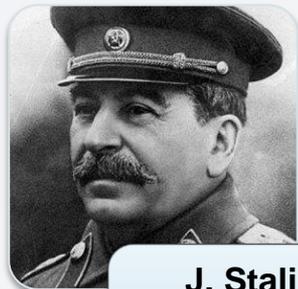
# Atomic Project

1952-1954

## The method of heavy water production-low temperature distillation of the liquid hydrogen



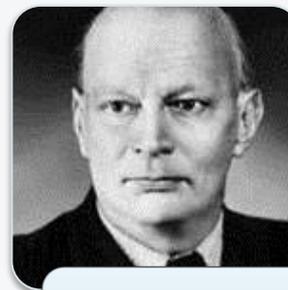
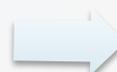
To avoid an explosion the concentration of oxygen in hydrogen had to be less than  $10^{-10}$  molar fractions, i.e. one molecule of oxygen for  $10^{10}$  molecules of hydrogen.



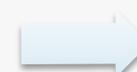
**J. Stalin**  
was the leader of USSR from the mid-1920-s until his death in 1953



**L.P. Beria**  
was chief of the Soviet security and secret police apparatus



**A.P. Alexandrov**  
was a Soviet and Russian physicist, president AS USSR in future

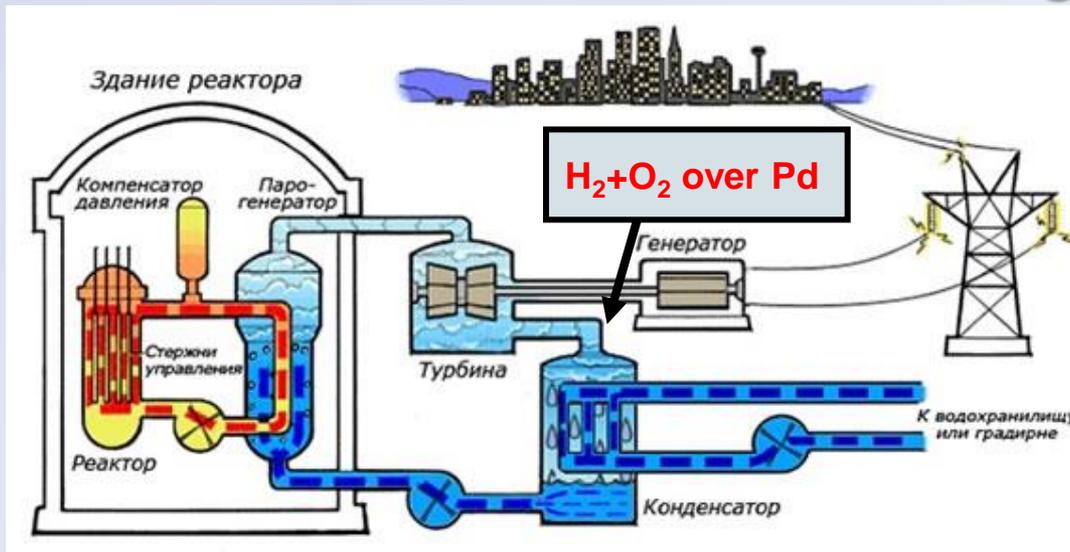


**Dr. M.G.Slinko**

# Atomic Project

1953-1954

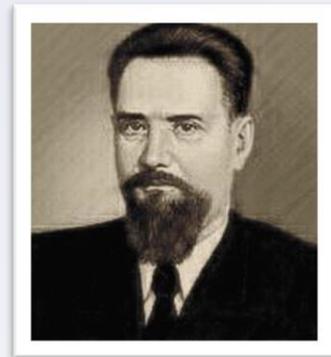
The first in the world Obninsk Nuclear Power Station was designed



## Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR)

Protection of nuclear installations from a blast of the explosive air gas mixture formed as a result of water radiolysis in atomic reactors..

**In its 48 years of operation there were no significant incidents resulting in radioactive release to the environment exceeding permissible limits.**



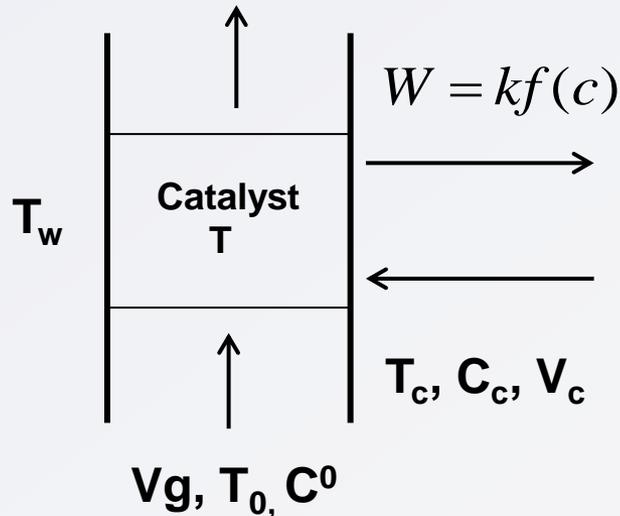
Academician  
Kurchatov I.V.



The ignition of hydrogen was the main reason of a blast at a Japanese atomic power reactor in Fukushima in 2011.

# Stability of a reactor with a (well mixed) bed with exothermic reaction

1953-1954



## Heat transfer only through a wall

$$\frac{T - T_w}{E / RT^2} < 1 + (c_0 - c) \frac{\partial \ln f(c)}{\partial c}$$

## Heat transfer only with the circulating catalyst

$$\frac{T - T_c}{E / RT^2} < 1 + (c_0 - c) \frac{\partial \ln f(c)}{\partial c}$$

## Heat transfer for autothermic processes

$$\frac{T - T_0}{E / RT^2} < 1 + (c_0 - c) \frac{\partial \ln f(c)}{\partial c}$$

$$P_m = 1 + (c_0 - c) \frac{\partial \ln f(c)}{\partial c}$$

Criteria of temperature difference-determines the maximum temperature difference between catalyst temperature and temperature of initial gas or a wall

## For all types of heat transfer

$$T - T_0 < \frac{E}{RT^2} (P_m - U) \quad \text{where}$$

$$U = \frac{\lambda c_v (T_w - T_0) + \mu c_c (T_w - T)_c}{(\alpha S_n + \lambda c_v + \mu c_c) \frac{RT^2}{E}}$$

M.G.Slinko, Kinetika and Catalysis, v.1, N1, 1960, 153

Boreskov, G.K. and Slinko M.G., Chem. Eng. Sci., 1961, vol. 14, p. 259. ESCRE (1960) Netherlands



**Instructor for the Novel Technology**     **1956-1959**  
**Department of the Central Committee of the USSR**  
**Communist Party**



«M.G» was participated in the development of a 7 years plan of the development of Chemical Industry 1959-1965

«M.G» was a speech-write of N. S. Chrushev during XXI Congress of the CPSU concerning the questions of Chemical industry

**The decision of the foundation of the Institute of catalysis was included into the materials of May Plenum of the USSR communist party in 1958.**

# The world's first case of mathematical **1958** modeling of a catalytic process on a computer



MN-7, a vacuum-tube analog computer, which could solve systems of nonlinear ordinary differential equations up to the sixth order.



V.B. Scovorokhov

M.G.Slinko

**Using MN-7 computer the exothermic catalytic reaction of ethylene oxidation to ethylene oxide was simulated.**

Slinko M.G. "The role of mass and heat transfer processes during ethylene oxidation"

Russian J.Phys.Chem., 1958, №4, v. 32. p. 943

Slinko M.G. "The influence of heat and mass transfer upon the rate of ethylene oxidation

Chemical Industry, 1958, №3, p. 10

**1959**

# **Foundation of the Institute of Catalysis**

**The unity of a theory and application**

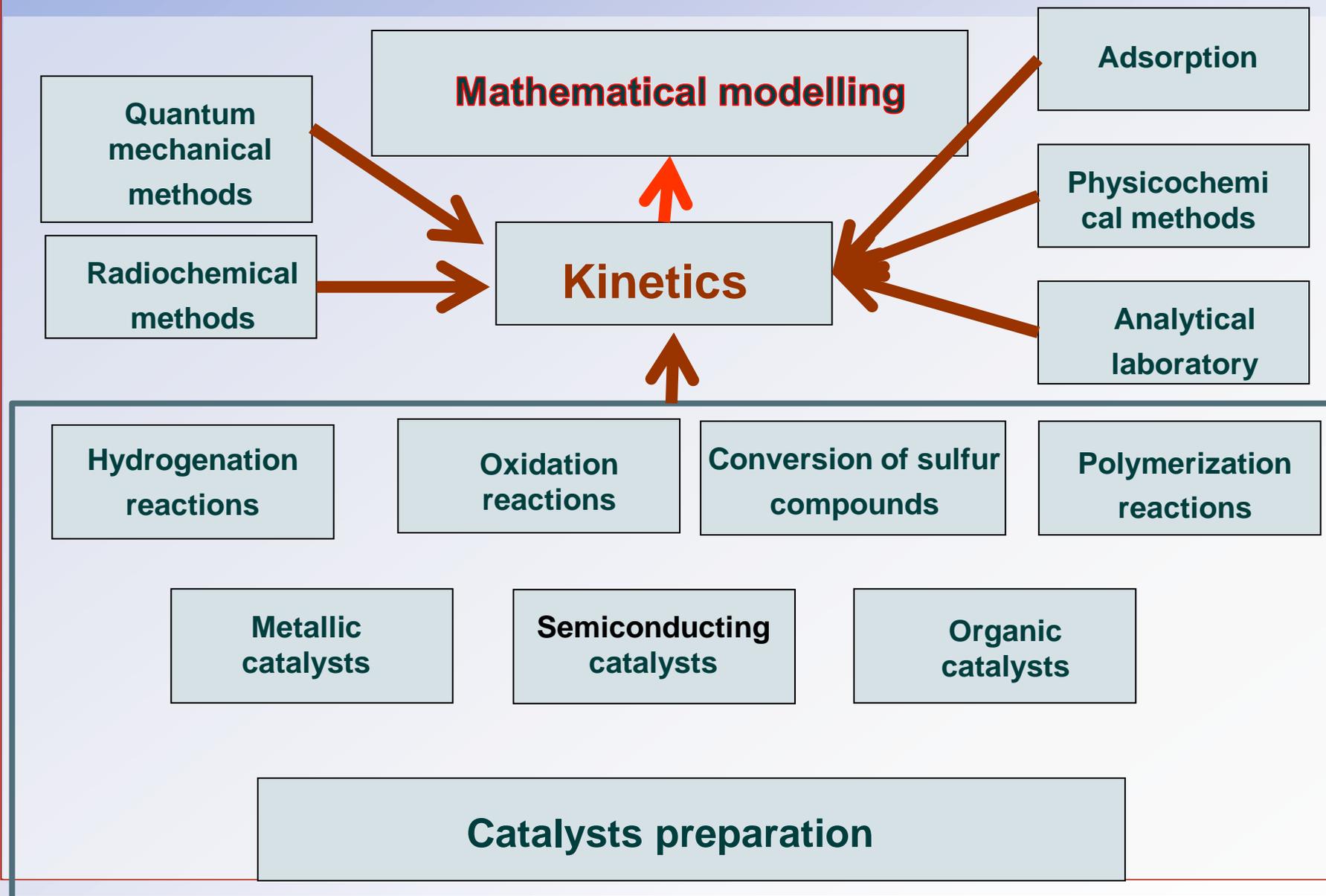


**The development of the theory and practice of the catalyst preparation with the given structure, selectivity and activity.**

**The detailed study of the mechanism of reactions and kinetic studies.**

**Mathematical modelling of heterogeneous catalytic reactions, processes and reactors on the basis of the detailed mechanism and kinetics**

# The structure of Institute of Catalysis 1963



# The first collaboration between USSR and a West Europe (UCB from Belgium) on Chemical Engineering **1965**

The development and the improvement of the catalyst and reactor design for acrylonitrile production via Sohio method



**N. Stas, M. Slinko, J. Vekemans, Veraiden**



**1969 For this work and successful collaboration with the UCB firm the Institute of catalysis was awarded by Order of Red Banner of Labor**

**Yield increase from 54 to 66-70% with the increase of the intensity of the process from 35 to 75 of gr NAK/kg catal. was achieved**

# **The study of stability**

**1961-1972**

## **at different levels of a chemical process**

**Stability of a process over one pellet**

**T.I. Zelenjak, V.S. Beskov, M.G. Slinko Kinetika and Catalysis, v.7,  
1966, 865**

**Stability of a reactor with not well mixed bed**

**E.A. Ivanov, V.S. Beskov, M.G. Slinko, Theoretical foundations of  
chemical engineering 1, 1967, 488**

**Stability of a reactor with an external heat exchanger**

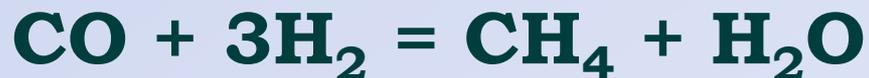
**M.G. Slinko, A.L. Muller, Kinetika and Catalysis, v.2, 1961, 467**

**Stability of chemical-engineering schemes**

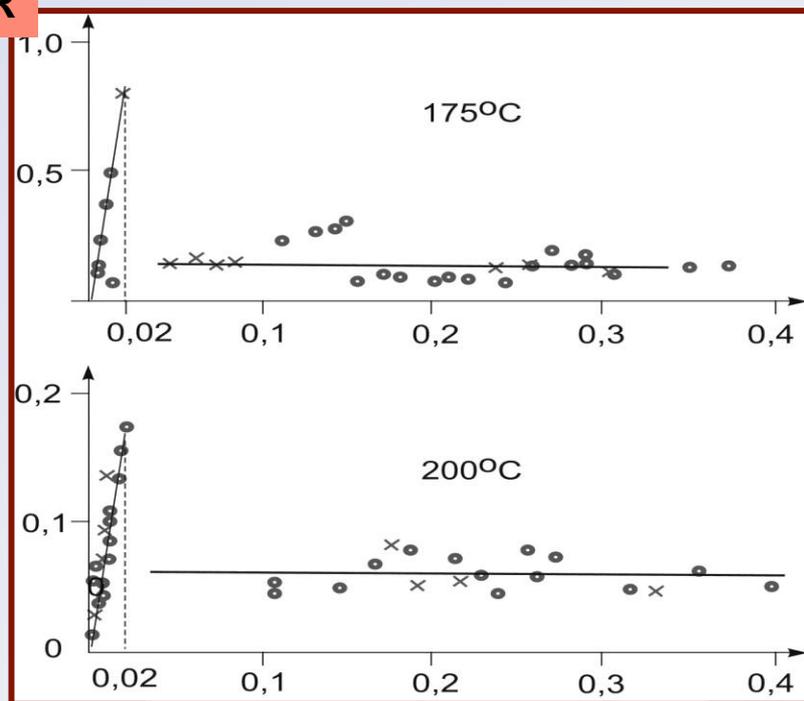
**Yu. M. Volin, G.M. Ostrovskii, M.G. Slinko, Theoretical foundations of  
chemical engineering 6, 1972, 109**

1971

# First publication about the multiplicity of steady states in kinetic region



R



CO concentration, mol/m<sup>3</sup>

1.  $\text{CO} + [\text{Ni}] \leftrightarrow [\text{Ni-CO}]$
2.  $3\text{H}_2 + 6[\text{Ni}] \leftrightarrow 6[\text{Ni-H}]$
3.  $6[\text{Ni-H}] + [\text{Ni-CO}] \rightarrow \text{CH}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + [\text{Ni}]$

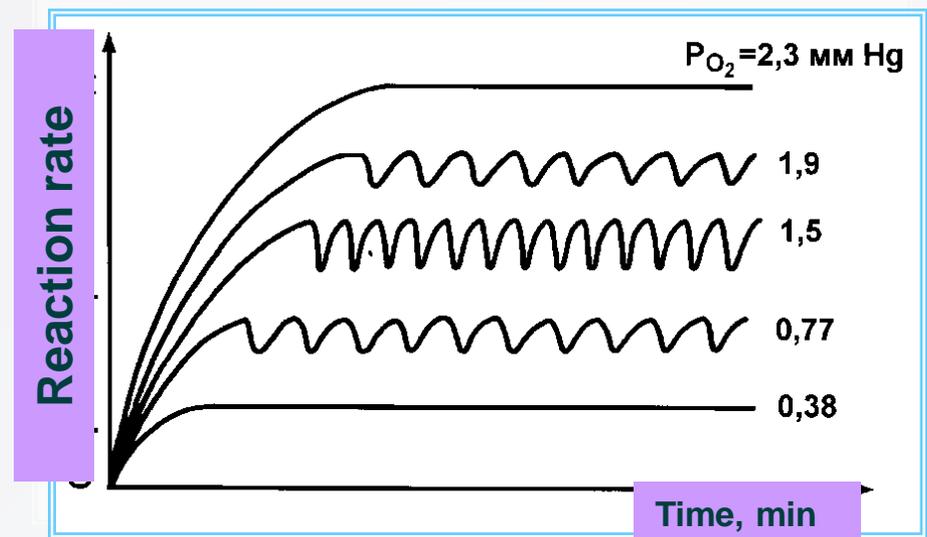
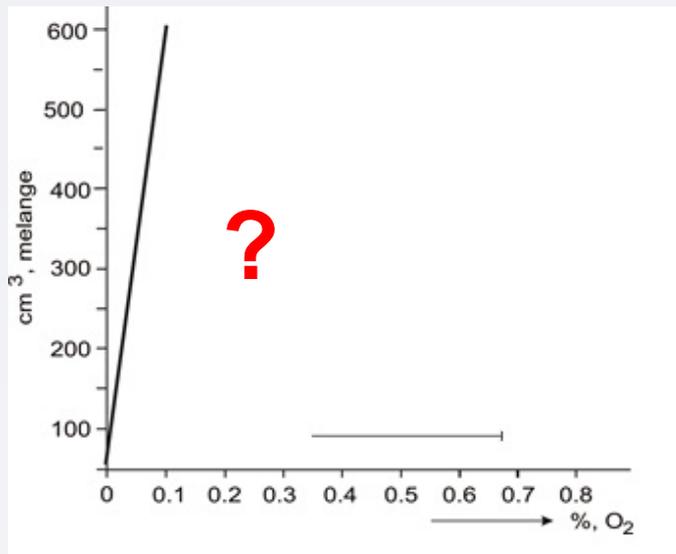
$$E_3 = E_{30} + RT \mu \theta_{\text{CO}}$$

The first mathematical model, describing multiplicity of steady states was suggested

M.G. Slinko, V.S. Beskov, I.A. Dubjaga,  
Dokl. AN USSR, 204, 1972, 1174

# The discovery of oscillations during hydrogen oxidation over Ni

1972



Beusch, H.; Fieguth, D.; Wicke, E. *Chem. Eng. Tech.* **1972**, 44, 445

Belyaev V.D., Slinko M.M., Timoshenko V.I., M.G. Slinko . „Onset of Oscillations in Hydrogen Oxidation on Nickel,, *Kinetics and Catalysis*, **1973**, 17, 810

# The first mathematical model, 1973 producing the oscillations in heterogeneous catalytic systems



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = k_1(1-x-y)^2 - k_{-1}x^2 - k_3xy^2e^{-\mu x}$$

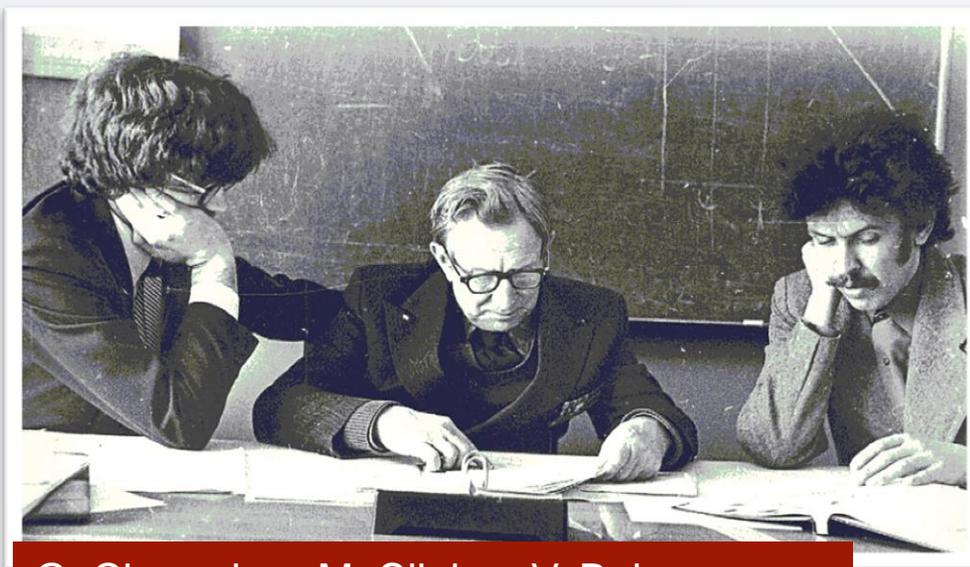
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = k_2(1-x-y)^2 - k_{-2}y^2 - k_3xy^2e^{-\mu x}$$

$$E_3 = E_{30} + \mu x$$

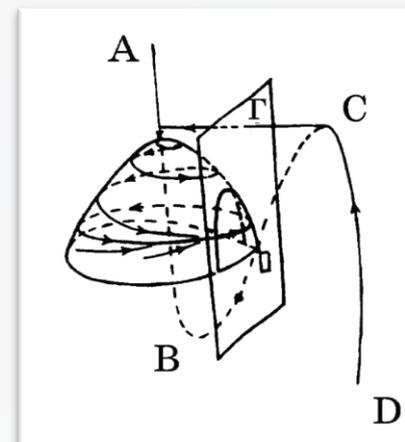
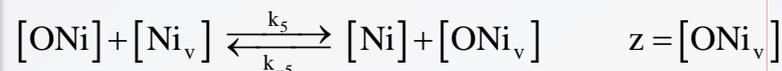
$$k_3 = k_{30}e^{-\mu x}$$

# First Mathematical Model of Chaotic Oscillations in Heterogeneous Catalytic Systems

1980



G. Chumakov, M. Slinko, V. Belyaev



$$k_3 = k_{30} e^{-\mu_3 y}, \quad k_4 = k_{40} e^{-\mu_4 y - \mu_5 z}$$

G.A. Chumakov, M.G.Slinko, V.D. Beljaev, Dokl. AN USSR, 253, 1980, 653

G.A. Chumakov, M.G.Slinko, Dokl. AN USSR, 266, 1982, 1193

# Scientific cooperation between the USA and the USSR

1974-1980

M.G.Slinko coordinated the *US-USSR* exchange program in mathematical modelling of chemical reactors and processes



Prof. M.G.Slinko and Prof.  
Dan Luss in Novosibirsk, 1974



Prof.Ray, Dr.Vjatkin, Dr.Bykov, Dr.Akramov,  
Prof.Luss, Dr.Chumachenko, Dr.Yablonski, Prof.Aris

Isothermal sustained oscillations due to the influence of adsorbed species on the catalytic reaction rate

E.A. Ivanov, G.A. Chumakov, M.G. Slinko, D.D. Bruns, D. Luss//Chemical Engineering Science 35 (4), 795-803, 1980

Number and stability of the steady states of 4-stage reactions

G.A. Chumakov, V.D. Belyaev, R. Plikhta, V.I. Timoshenko, M.G. Slinko//Doklads Russian Academy of Sciences 253 (2), 418, 1980

# Department of mathematical modelling M.G.Slinko

**1975**

**Processes in a  
fluidized bed  
Sheplev V.S.**

**Kinetics of  
catalytic reactions  
Timoshenko V.I.**

**Phase transitions  
Shmelev A.S.**

**Liquid phase  
processes  
Ermakova A.**

**Unsteady state  
processes and  
Stability  
Matros Yu.Sh.**

**Complex  
processes  
Kuznetsov Yu.I.**

**Numerical  
methods  
Gaevoi V.P.**

**Qualitative  
methods  
Ivanov E.A.**

**Computer  
engineering  
Scomorochov V.B.**

# Return to Moscow to Karpov Institute

1976

More than 450 papers on different topics  
had been written since 1976

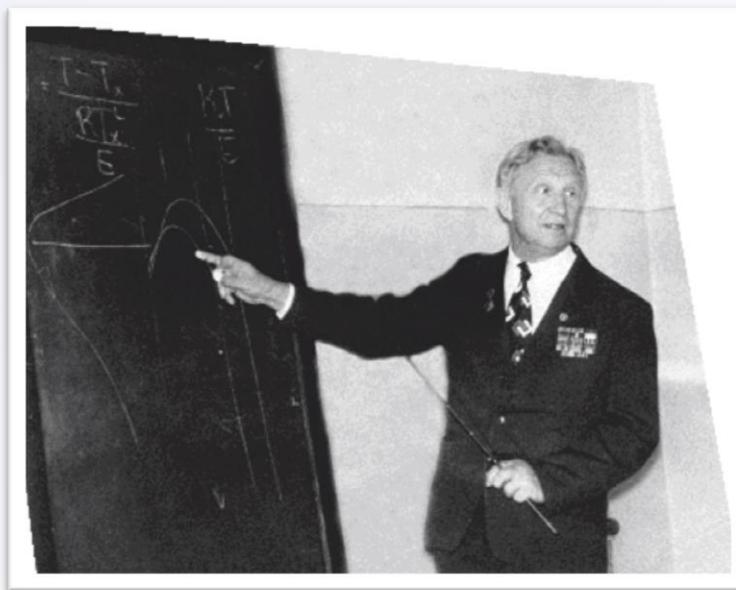
## Kinetics

A method to study  
reaction kinetics over  
finely-dispersed  
catalyst in stationary  
and nonstationary  
conditions

**Membrane catalysis**  
Selectivity in catalysis  
by hydrogen porous  
membranes

## Processes

Crystallization  
Copolymerization  
Distillation  
Evaporation of aerosols  
Ethylene oxide production  
Hydrocarbon hydrogenation  
Processes with changing of the catalyst activity  
Production of synthetic liquid fuels from coal



## Dynamics

Modelling of chaotic  
oscillations

Calculation of Lyapunov  
coefficients by analysis of  
self-sustained oscillations  
Study of the relaxation of a  
reaction rate over various  
kinds of catalytic surface

## Reactors

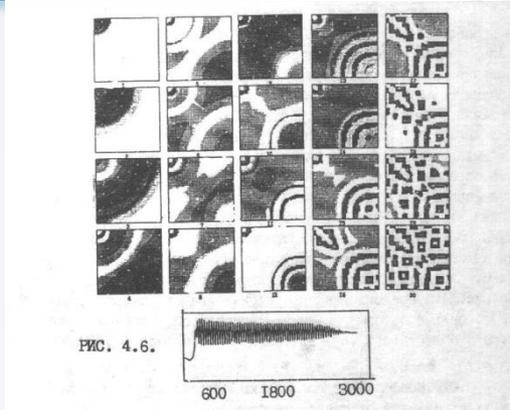
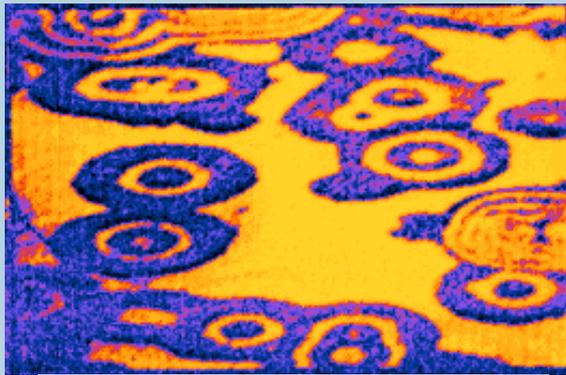
Fixed *bed* reactors  
Three-phase systems  
Ascending catalyst flow  
Fluidized bed reactors  
Chromatographic reactors

## Makrokinetics

Gel-immobilised catalytic systems  
On the interfacial exchange at the  
surface convective structures in a liquid

# Mathematical modelling 1986- 1994 at the micro- and mezo-levels

Mathematical simulation of catalytic processes has to begin at the micro- and mezo-levels. Transition from micro-level to mezo-level



The development of distributed nonlinear models based on cooperative interactions and mobility of adsorbed species

$$R_i = k_i \theta_p I_a$$

$$I_a = \left[ \theta_* + \sum_1^p \theta_p \exp(\varepsilon_{ap} / RT) \right]^m$$

$\theta_*$  coverage of vacant sites

$m$  – number of nearest neighbor sites

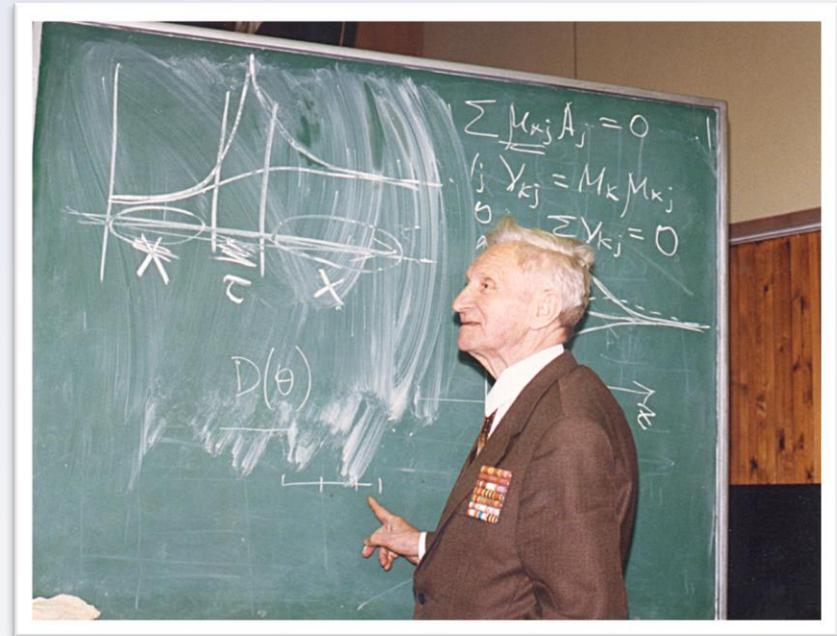
$\varepsilon$  – energy of lateral interactions

M.G.Slinko, G.G.Elenin “Mathematical Modelling of Phenomena on a Surface”, Russian Chemistry Industry, 1991, N4, p.243

# Last paper, written one month before death

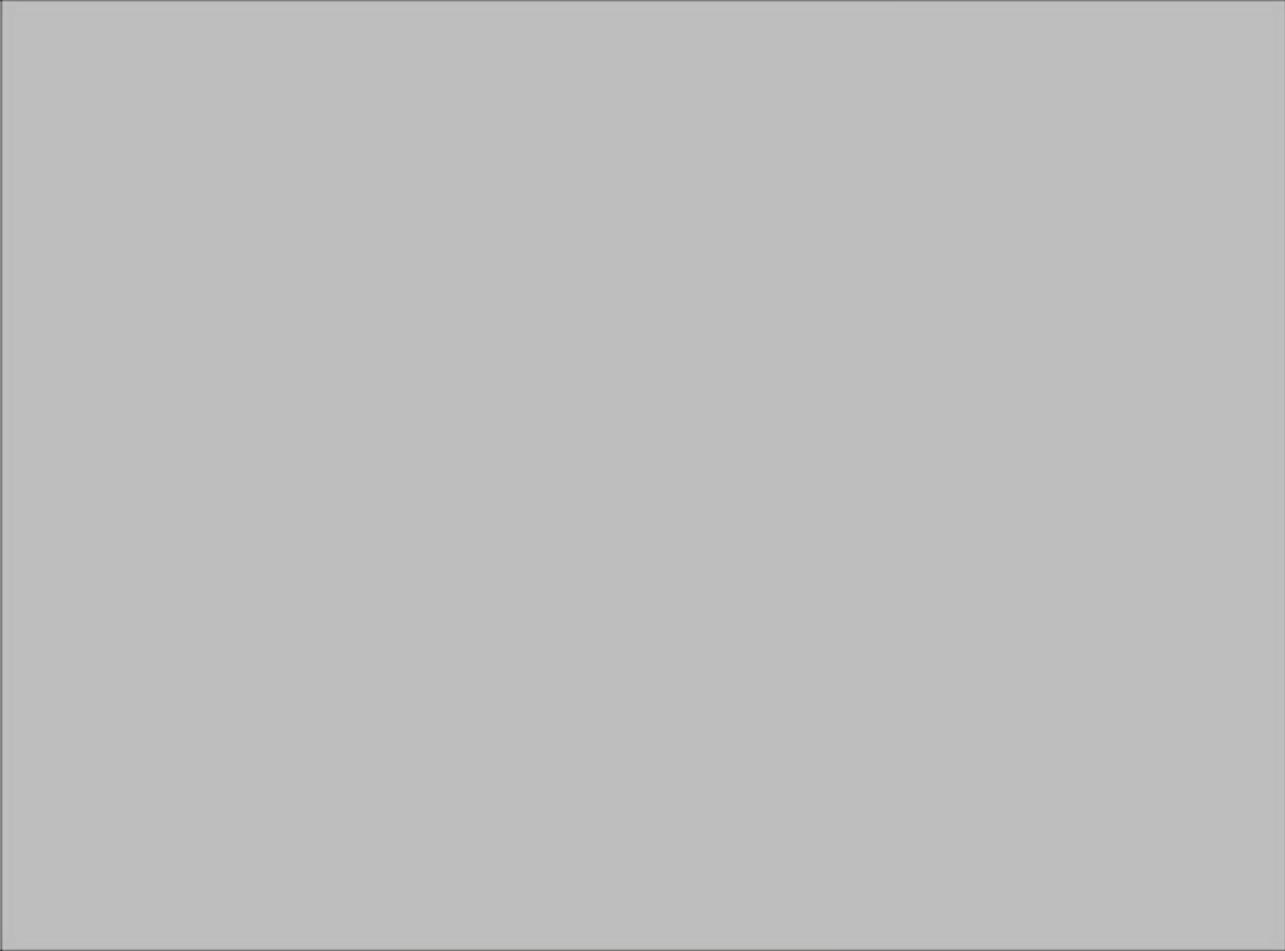
2008

M. G. Slinko “ To the 100 Anniversary of Professor M.I.Temkin. The Founder of Chemical Kinetics” catalysis in Industry, N5, 2008, 5



# Memories about Husband, Father, Grandfather and Great-grandfather

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**Thank you for your  
attention!**