Survey about Unit Operations in Particle Processing

Scheme of operation principle	Process	Related processes	Physical operation principle
→ 000000000000000000000000000000000000	Size reduction	Comminution	→ of solids (irreversible)
		Disintegration	→ of weakly bonded agglomerates (reversible)
→ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Classifying	Separation acc. particle	e size
		Sieving or screening	→ acc. geometrical dimensions
		Fluid flow separation	→ acc. settling velocity
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		Density sorting	→ acc. density
		Hand sorting	→ acc. optical properties
		Mechanical sorting	→ acc. mechanical properties (elasticity)
		Magnetic grading	→ acc. magnetic properties
		Electrical grading	→ acc. conductivity
		Flotation	→ acc. wettability
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		Extraction	Liquid-liquid phase transition
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		Precipitation	Generation of a new insoluble solid phase
	Mixing and blending	Homogenization of var	rious particle phases
		Solid mixing	Solid-solid mixing
		Homogenization	Temporary constant properties
		Suspension	Solid in liquid
		Aeration	Gas in liquid
→ 3	Agglomeration	Adhesion of primary pa	articles to few coarser agglomerates
		Pelletizing	Moist agglomeration
		Press agglomeration	→ under pressure (tabletting)
		Sintering	Contact fusion
		Coagulation	Liquid-liquid
→ ————————————————————————————————————	Solid-liquid	Thickening of the particles, clarifying of the liquid	
	separation	Sedimentation	Particle settling
		Filtration	Retention of particles by semipermeable membrane
		Drying	Evaporation of liquid
→ Gas	Dust collection	Precipitation of particle	1
		Absorption	→ from emission sources
		Gas cleaning	Separation of particles from gas
	Thermal	Roasting	Degassing of volatile phases
	treatment	Calcination	Chemical reactions within solids (e.g. lime)
+Q		Combustion	Gasification of organic phases