

Combustion Characteristics of a Fuel/Air Double-Stage Regenerative Burner

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This study has been performed to develop a high performance regenerative burner to enhance temperature uniformity and to reduce NO_x emission. Combustion tests have been done using an experimental furnace for various burner models adopting air and fuel staging principle. It was found that a sufficient mixing of air and fuel jets is required to increase combustion completeness. NO_x emission was decreased with increasing air/fuel velocity. The wetted perimeter of the air nozzle was found to be an important design parameter for air/fuel mixing. Under proper conditions, the temperature distribution in the furnace showed flat curve to maintain the NO_x emission of under 50 ppm.