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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AIR SEPARATION BY CRYOGENIC DISTILLATION

Title (de)

VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZUR LUFTTRENNUNG DURCH KRYOGENE DESTILLATION

Title (fr)

PROCÉDÉ ET APPAREIL POUR LA SÉPARATION DE L'AIR PAR DISTILLATION CRYOGÉNIQUE

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Abstract (en)

[origin: US2020132367A1] A method for separating air by cryogenic distillation in a system of columns comprising a first column and a second column operating at a lower pressure than the first column, comprising the steps of compressing all of the feed air in a first compressor to a first output pressure of at least 1 bar greater than the pressure of the first column, sending a first portion of the air under the first output pressure to the second compressor, and compressing the air to a second output pressure, cooling and condensing at least a portion of the air under the second output pressure in a heat exchanger, withdrawal of a liquid from a column of the system of columns, pressurising the liquid and evaporating the liquid by heat exchange in the heat exchanger, and pressure reduction of a portion of the compressed air to a second output pressure, at least partially evaporating said air in the heat exchanger, optionally additional heating of said air in the heat exchanger, and sending at least a portion of this air to the second compressor.

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