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This study was performed to find out the efficiency in removal of COD, NH₃-N, NO₃-N and NO₂-N from the fish aquarium. By comparing between the inner filter and the outer filter that each filled with coral, gravel and gravel-sulphur acted as three types of filter. Not only that parameters comparing, but also comparision of the fish growth rate in each aquarium. From COD removal in each aquarium, the coral filter gave the best efficiency, 34.26 mg/l, the inner filter, 39.11 mg/l, the gravel-sulphur filter, 46.75 mg/l and the gravel filter, 51.39 mg/l. The other parameter NH₃-N that found in each aquarium the coral filter also gave the best efficiency, that was 0.088 mg/l and as the inner filter gave the efficiency of 0.093 mg/l, but for the gravel filter, the NH₃-N removel was better than gravelsulphur filter, 0.189 mg/l and 0.502 mg/l, respectively. When considering the NO₅N left in each aquarium, the inner filter gave the best efficiency, 0.57 mg/l following by gravel-sulphur, coral and gravel filter, that was 0.61 mg/l, and 0.80 mg/l, in consequenced. Gravel-sulphur, gravel, coral filter and the inner filter had shown the NO₃-N reduction efficiency from the left of each aquarium 0.408 mg/l, 0.444 mg/l, 0.584 mg/l, and 0.943 mg/l, respectively. By comparision of the fish growth rate in each aquarium found that the aquarium having the coral filter had the highest growth rate, the gravel filter gave the higher growth rate than the inner filter, meanwhile, the aquarium having gravel-sulphur filter had the lowest fish growth rate.