

Chapter - Materials and Nano technology.

Q. Define technology:-

Technology is the application of scientific knowledge, engineering skills and practical experience to design, build and operate various machines, hardware (tangible) or softwares, systems (intangible) which makes our lives easier, more efficient and more productive.

Q. Define Nanotechnology.

Nanotechnology is the branch of technology that deals with dimensions less than 100 nm, especially the manipulation of individual atoms and molecules.

It's the production, designing, characterization and applications of structure, devices and system etc by controlling their shape and sizes at a nm scale.

Q. In which other fields is Nanotechnology used?

The use of nanotechnology is in the other fields such as

(i) Textile and clothing.

(ii) Information technology.

(iii) Healthcare and medicine.

(iv) Biotechnology and Agriculture.

(v) Environment and Energy.

(vi) Transportation and Aerospace.

(vii) Food and Nutrition Industry.

Some of the examples of nanotech are given ahead in classification.

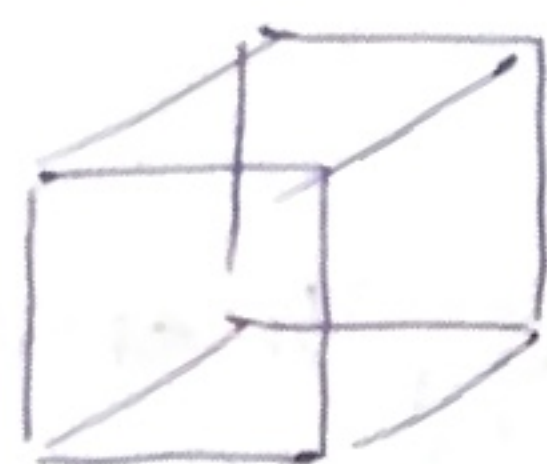
H-atom is 2.0nm .

Quantum dots are 80nm .

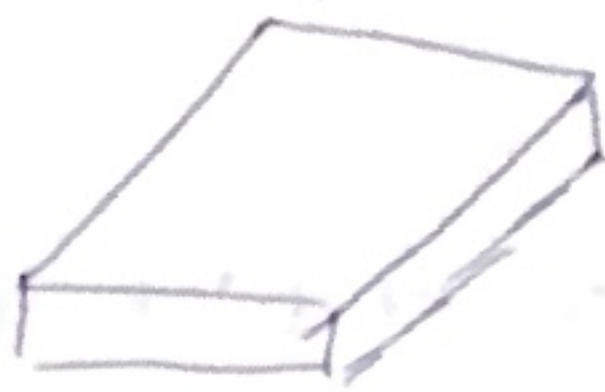
Q. Describe Nano-materials.

Nanomaterials may be classified as those materials which have at least one dimension in nanometric scale / range.

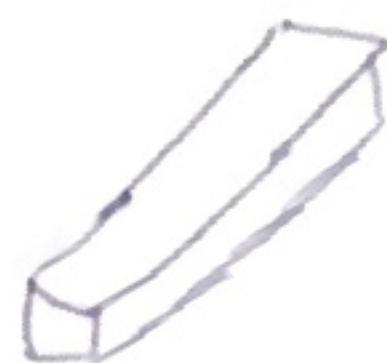
- * Nano Crystalline materials have a grain size of $1-100\text{nm}$
- * Nanomaterial show distinct properties in their n-scale as compared to their micro-crystalline counter parts.



3D
Bulk



2D
Quantum Well



1D
Quantum Wire

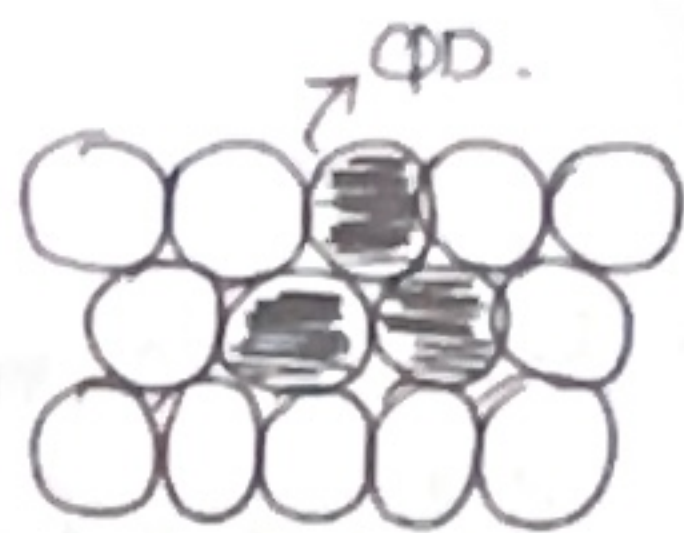


0D
QUANTUM DOT.

Q. Classify NanoMaterials on the basis of dimensionality.

0D	1D	2D	3D.
Nanospheres/ clusters.	Nanotubes wires/rod	Thin films/ plates & layered structure	Bulk NMs, Polycrystal
Examples			
(i) quantum dots	(i) Metal nano tube	(i) Graphene sheet	(i) Liposome
(ii) Fullerenes	(ii) Ceramic Crystal.	(ii) C-coated nano plates	(ii) polycrystalline structure
(iii) Gold nanoparticle.	(iii) Carbon/ metallic Nanotubes		(iii) Dendrimer

Describe Quantum dots.



Quantum dots are tiny man made nano-crystals with diameter in range of 2-10 nanometres (10-50 atoms).

These nano-crystals exhibit unique optical properties including the ability to transport and electronic e^- and emit light of various colors when exposed to UV-lights.

Q. Describe Carbon nanotubes (1D)

Carbon Nano tube is either a single walled or multiple walled structure made up from rolling a sheet of graphite (single \rightarrow graphene) into a tube. They are strong, stiff and relatively ductile. They are used in

(i) flat screen displays

(ii) solar cells

(iii) capacitors

(iv) heat removal application

} because it also an excellent electric field emitter.

Q. What makes technology at the nanoscale different from the technology at the macroscale?

Q. How Volume to surface ratio of a bulk material is different from its nano-counterpart?

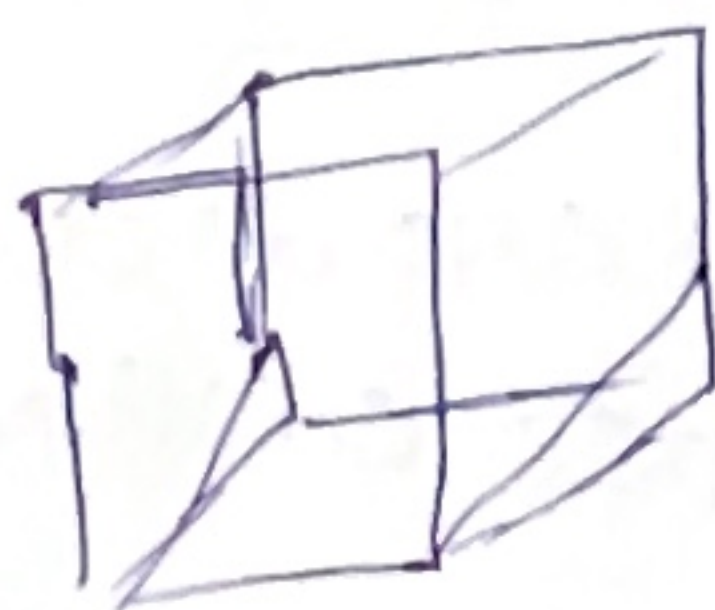
As object gets smaller in size they have much greater surface area to volume ratio. That is why materials at nanoscale have much greater surface area to volume ratio than the bulk counterparts.

* The relative concentration of under-coordinated surface atoms is thus greater for nano-materials as compared to their bulk form.

Example.



A cube of 2cm has surface area of 24 cm^2 and a volume of 8 cm^3 . (3:1) ↑



A cube of 10cm has surface area of 600 cm^2 and volume 1000 cm^3 .

(0.6:1) ↓

(imp) Q. How much surface area is increased when a cube of 1 cm^3 is broken down in cubes of 1 nm^3 .

1 cm^3 (cube) $\xrightarrow[\text{int}]{\text{converted}}$ 1 nm^3 (cubes)

The surface area increases by 10^{18} factor.

Surface Area of a cube = $6 \times$ Area of a face of cube.

Area of a cube face = $L \times L$ (side length square)

If $L = 1\text{cm}$ for a cube of 1cm^3 .

and $L = 1\text{nm}$ for a cube of 1nm^3 .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{S.A. of smaller cube} &= (1\text{nm})^2 \\ &= 1\text{nm}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{S.A. of bigger cube} &= (1\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 1\text{cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

Q. How do the physical properties of materials at a nano-scale are changed?

Materials with structure at nanoscale have distinct optical, thermal, electronic and mechanical properties.

- ▶ The quantum confinement effect changes the electronic structure of nanomaterials as they start to have discrete electronic states while bulk have continuous electronic states.
- ▶ Band structure of nanomaterials is changed and consequently they modulated optical and transport like thermal/electric properties.

How is the energy band gap in nanomaterials different from that of bulk materials.

As the size of the material is reduced in the nanoscale the energy band gap starts to increase.

This increase is due to quantum confinement, where the motion of the electrons and holes are/is restricted to a very small volume, leading to discrete energy levels rather than continuous bands. → increased threshold for excitation
cause → lower conductivity
→ reduced mobility of electric charge carriers?

Q. Describe how nanoparticles are used for coatings?

- (i) stain proof clothing
- (ii) self cleaning without
- (iii) spill proof material

Q. Describe the use of nanoparticles in fabrics.

Nanohorizon company uses silver nanoparticles as both a dye and to be used in polyester and nylon.

This material is odour free and toxic to microbes.

Q. Describe the use of nanoparticles in food items.

Ti-dioxide in nanoparticle size is used or found in 36% percent of food material chosen from 10 food products.

- helps define food color
- prevents UV degradation.

Use of Nano particle in Cosmetics.

Sunscreen \rightarrow TiO_2 / ZnO

Antiaging \rightarrow Nanogold.

AntiBacterial product \rightarrow Nano-silver.

Q. Define fullerenes.

- consist of 20-90 carbon atoms

- round hollow carbon cage structure

- electrically conductive and high strength.

Q. Use of Nano particles in automobile Industry.

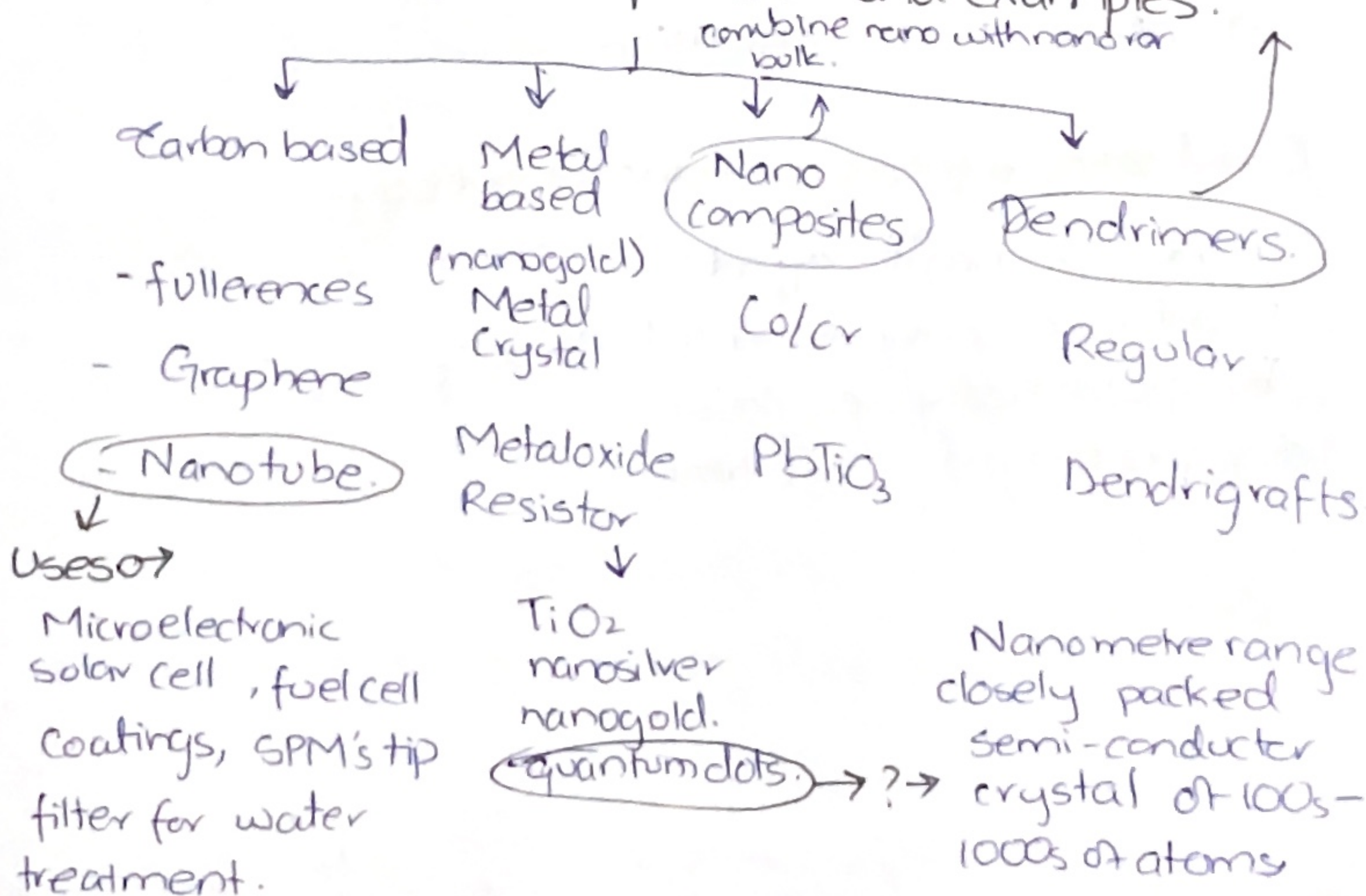
Nanosensor, selfcleaning nanofilms, Nanocoating,

Heat shield, Nanomaterial in fuel cells/battery,

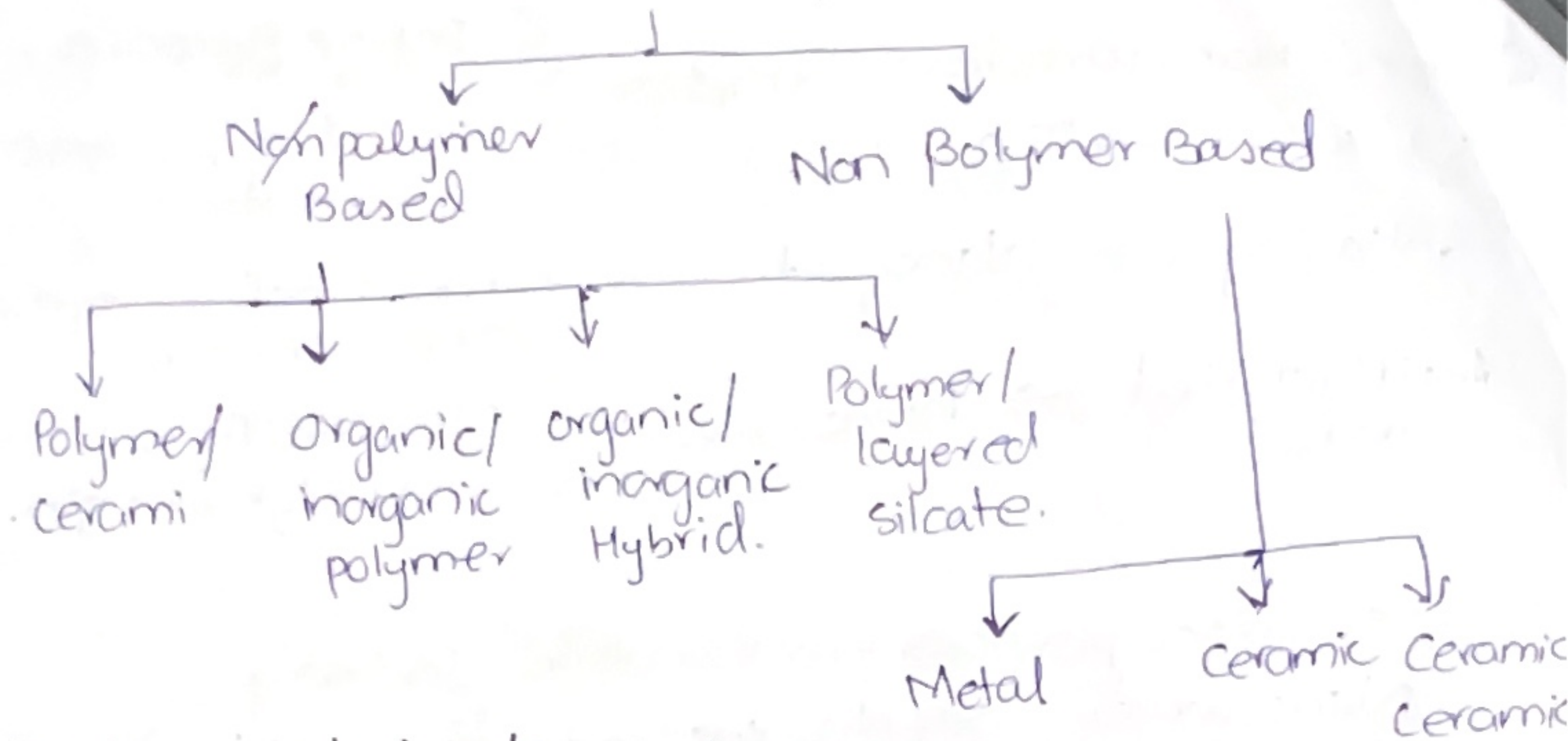
Nano additives in fuels.

nanosized particle built from branched units. it has numerous chain ends to perform functs; used in as catalysts. 3D caged one may deliver drugs

Q. Classification of Nano particles and examples.



Nano-Composites.



Q. Why nanotechnology is being so concerned about?

- (i) Enormous potential.
- (ii) Huge gaps of knowledge.
- (iii) Difficulty in detecting and removing.
- (iv) Absence of regulation.

Q. Adverse affects of nano-technology.

- (i) adverse health effects.
- (ii) adverse environmental effects
- (iii) potentially explosive.
- (iv) prolonged life time.