

## 2. Electrochemical cell and corrosion

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Conductor: The substance which allow flow of or passes of electricity.

Ex: Metals, alloys, aqueous solution of acids and bases.

(1) Metallic conductors (electric conductors): The substance which allow flow of or passes of electricity is called to metallic conductors.

Ex: Metals, alloys...

(2) Electrolytic conductors (electrolytes): The substance which allow flow of or passes of electricity in aqueous state or fused state.

Ex: Aqueous solution of acids and bases.

(3) Insulator: The substance which does not allow passage of current or electricity.

Ex: Wood, paper, plastic, rubber, - - -

(4) Non-electrolytes:

(5) Specific conductance ( $K$ ): Resistance is directly proportional to length and inversely proportional to area of cross section.

$$R \propto \frac{1}{a}$$

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{a}$$

Where,  $R$  is resistance in ohm

$l$  is length in cm.

$a$  is area of cross section in  $\text{cm}^2$ .

$\rho$  is specific resistance

Specific resistance is defined as the resistance between two opposite faces of  $\text{cm}^3$  of that substance.

$$\rho = \frac{Ra}{l}$$

units:  $\rho = \frac{\text{ohm cm}^2}{\text{cm}} = \text{ohm cm.}$

Specific conductance: Reciprocal of specific resistance is known as specific conductance.

$$K \propto \frac{1}{\rho}$$

units:  $K = \frac{1}{\text{ohm cm}} = \text{ohm}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\because \text{ohm}^{-1} = \text{mho} = s$ )  
 $= \text{mho cm}^{-1}$   
 $= \text{s cm}^{-1}$

Equivalent conductance ( $\Lambda_{eq}$ ): Equivalent conductance is defined as specific conductance is multiplied by volume in ml containing 1gm equivalent of the electrolyte.

$$\Lambda_{eq} = K \cdot V (\text{in ml})$$

In terms of normality,

$$\Lambda_{eq} = K \cdot \frac{1000}{N}$$

units:

$$\Lambda_{eq} = \frac{\text{ohm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^3}{\text{equivalent}}$$

$$= \text{ohm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{eq}^{-1}$$

$$N = \frac{Wt}{G.M.W} \times \frac{1000}{V}$$

$$N = 1 \times \frac{1000}{V}$$

$$V = \frac{1000}{N}$$

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Molar Conductance ( $\Lambda_m$ ): Molar conductance is defined as specific conductance multiplied by the volume in ml containing 1g.m.wt. of the electrolyte.

$$\Lambda_m = K \cdot \ell V (\text{in ml})$$

$$(\therefore M = \frac{Wt}{G.M.W} \times \frac{1000}{V \text{ (in ml)}})$$

$$M = \frac{1000}{V} \Rightarrow V = \frac{1000}{M}$$

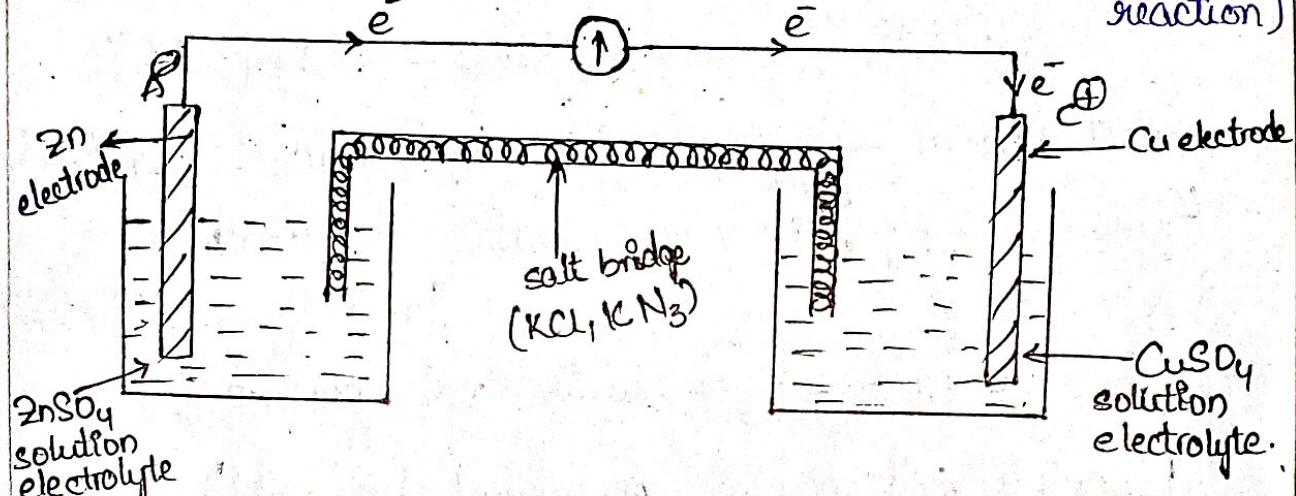
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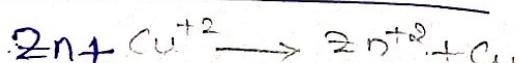
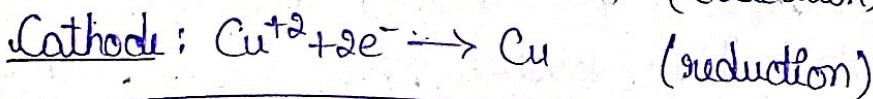
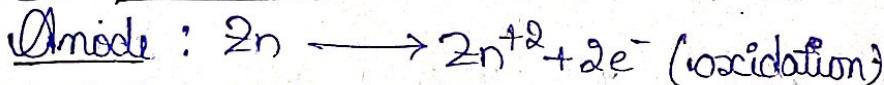
Units:  $\lambda_m = \frac{\text{ohm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^3}{\text{mol}}$   
 $= \text{ohm}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$

Galvanic cell (or) electrochemical cell (or) voltaic cell:

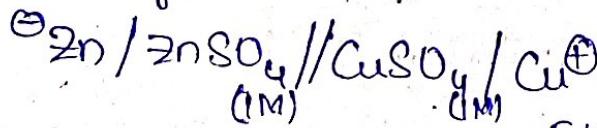
Chemical energy  $\rightarrow$  Electrical energy (spontaneous redox reaction)



Cell Reactions:



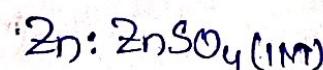
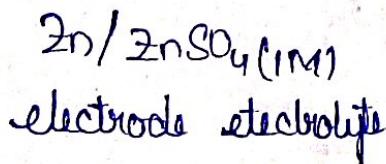
Cell Representation:



E<sub>inf</sub> value + 1.09 volts.

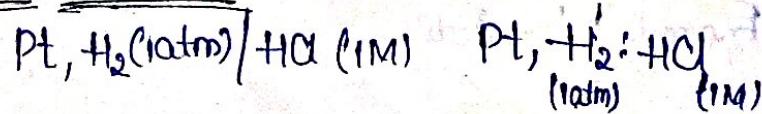
Convention in representation of Galvanic cell:

Left hand side:

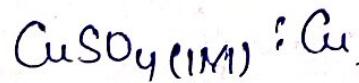
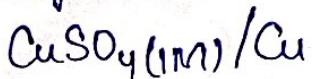


1M

Reference electrode:



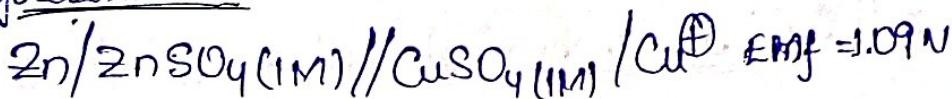
### Right hand side:



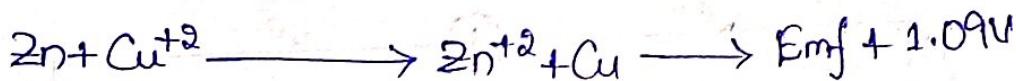
### Cell Reaction:



### Representation:

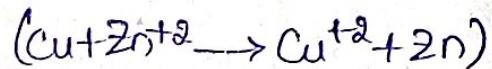


Reversible and irreversible cells:



Exact +1.09V  $\longrightarrow$  reaction stop ( $\text{Zn} + \text{Cu}^{+2} \rightarrow 2\text{n}^{+2} + \text{Cu}$ )

(Extra emf apply)  $\xrightarrow{\text{above}} +1.09\text{V} \longrightarrow$  reaction is reversible



below +1.09V  $\longrightarrow$  reaction not going on

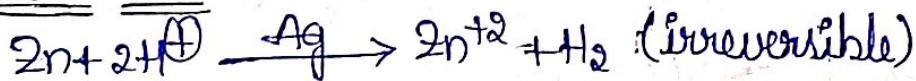
Reversible cell can be measured by gibbs free energy.

$$\Delta G = -nFE$$

above relation satisfies that cell is reversible

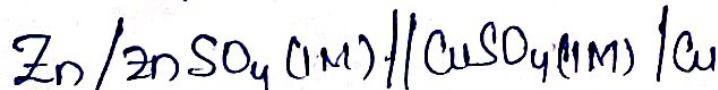
above relation can't be satisfies that cell is irreversible.

### Irreversible cell:



### \* Standard single electrode potential ( $E^\circ$ ):

Potential exerted by single electrode at unit conc. of concntrn metal or non-metal at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  called single electrode potential ( $E^\circ$ ).



$\xleftarrow{\text{half cell}}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{half cell}}$   
 red<sup>n</sup> (anode) red<sup>n</sup> (cathode)

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{anode}} + E_{\text{cathode}}$$

### Left-hand side:

Electrode: oxidation electrode.

Potential: oxidation potential or potential of left hand side;  
SOP (loss of e<sup>-</sup>s).

### Right-hand side:

Electrode: reduction electrode.

Potential: reduction potential or potential of right hand side;  
SRP (gain of e<sup>-</sup>s).

$$SRP = - SOP.$$

$$E_{cell} = E_{\text{Oxid}}^{\circ} + E_{\text{Red}}^{\circ}$$

$$E_{cell} = E_L + E_R$$

$$E_{cell} = E_R - E_L$$

### Direction of spontaneous:

(1)  $E_{cell} > 0$ ; cell reaction is left to right.

(2)  $E_{cell} < 0$ ; cell reaction is right to left.

(3)  $E_{cell}$  is +ve;  $\Delta G$  is negative, cell is spontaneous (or) feasible.

### Measure of Standard electrode potential:

Direct measurement can't be possible.

Depends upon (1) conc. of the ions in solution.

(2) tendency of ions.

(3) temperature.

\* Single electrode is taken as anode,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{cell} &= E_R - E_L \\ &= E_R - E^{\circ} \quad (\because E_L = E^{\circ}) \end{aligned}$$

\* Single electrode is taken as cathode,

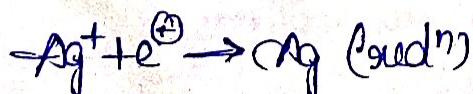
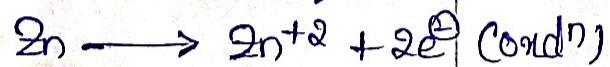
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Electrochemical series: When the elements are arranged in the increasing order of their standard reduction potential values on the basis of normal hydrogen electrode, these series are called electrochemical series.

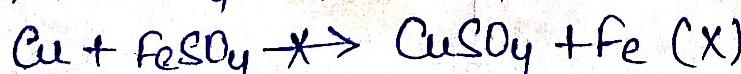
Electrode metal (or) non-metal	Standard reduction potential in volts
Li	-3.03
K	-2.92
Ca	-2.87
Na	-2.70
Mg	-2.37
Al	-1.66
Zn	-0.76
Fe	-0.44
Pb	-0.13
hydrogen	0.00
Cu	+0.34
Ag	+0.8
Pt	+0.86
Au	+1.69
F <sub>2</sub>	+2.87

Information from Electrochemical Series:

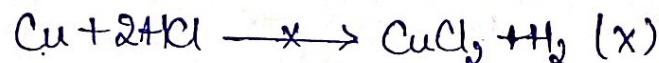
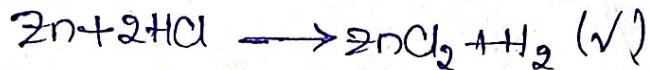
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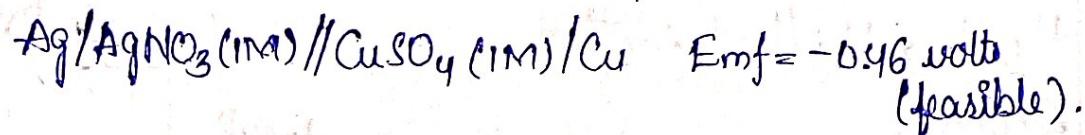
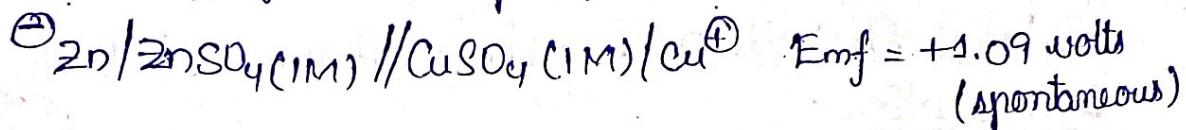
\* Replacement tendency:



\* To liberate  $H_2$  from acid:



\* To predict spontaneously of reaction:



### Applications:

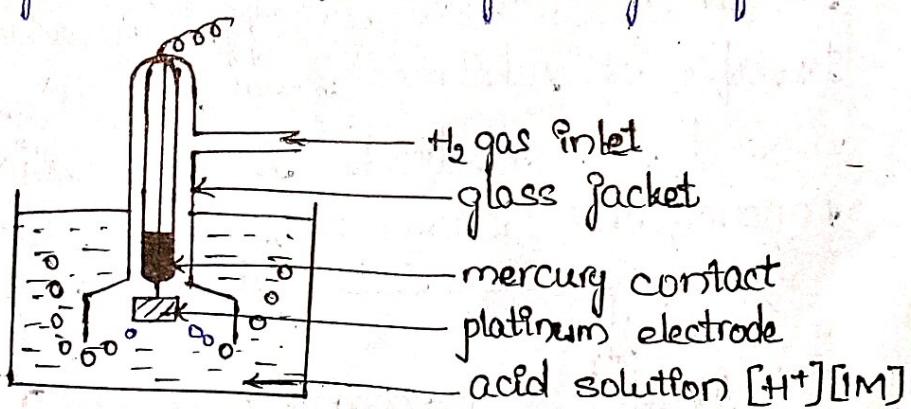
- 1) Relative ease of oxid<sup>n</sup> and red<sup>n</sup>.
- 2) Replacement tendency.
- 3) To liberate  $H_2$  from acid.
- 4) To predict spontaneously of reaction.
- 5) To predict netest equation.

Reference Electrode: An electrode whose electrode potential is known is called reference electrode.

Normal Hydrogen Electrode (NHE) or Standard Hydrogen Electrode (SHE):

Standard Hydrogen Electrode is a primary reference electrode.

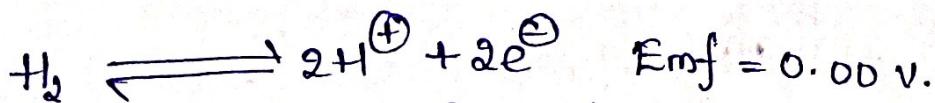
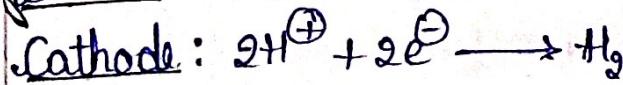
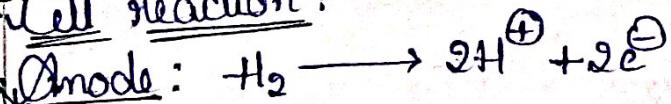
### Construction:



Anode: Pt,  $H_2(1\text{ atm})/HCl(1\text{ M})$  (oxid<sup>n</sup>)

Cathode: HCl (1M) / Pt,  $H_2(1\text{ atm})$  (red<sup>n</sup>).

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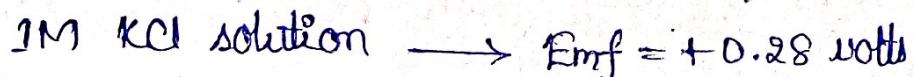
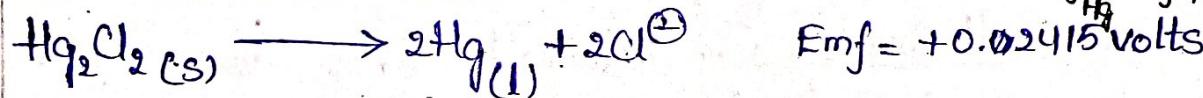
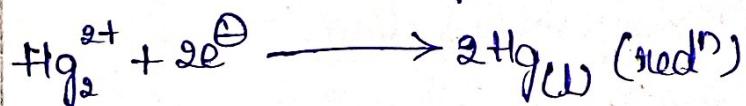
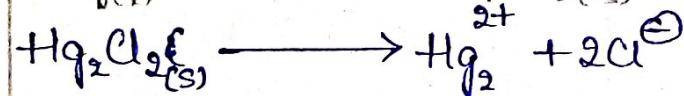
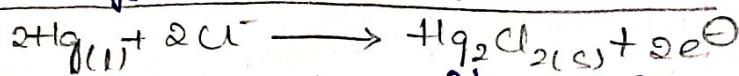
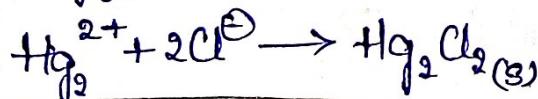
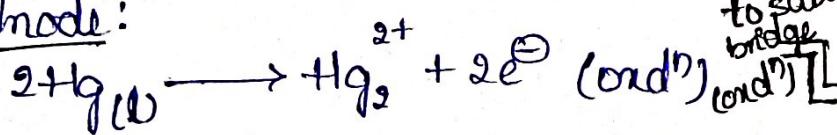


Calomel Electrode: The secondary reference electrode.

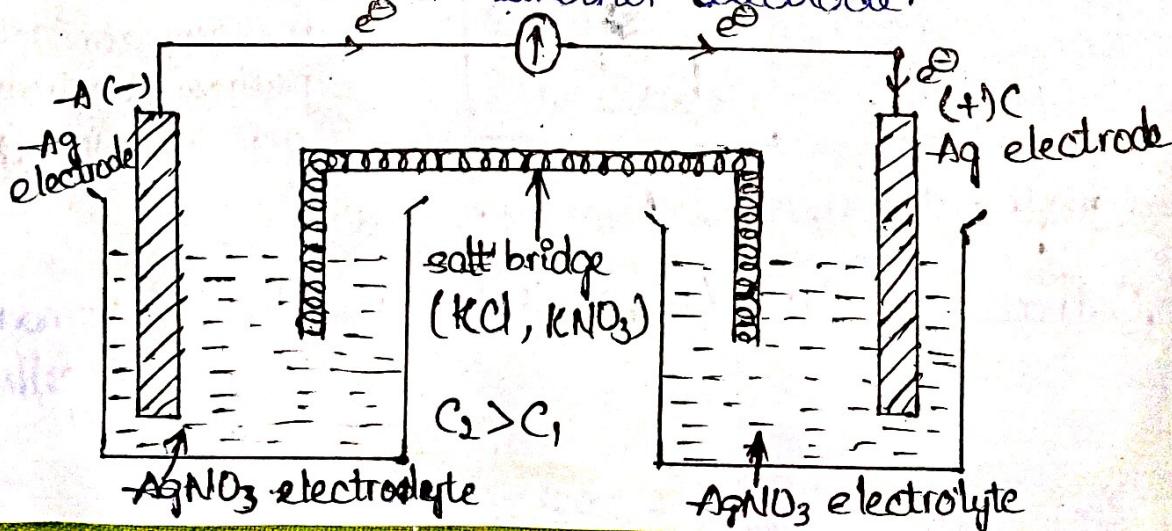
Construction:

$\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ,  $\text{Hg}$  /  $\text{KCl}$  solution

Anode:



Concentration cell: Concentration cell is depth cell in which electrical energy is produced by the depth transfer of substance from solution of higher concentration around one electrode to a solution of lower concentration around another electrode.



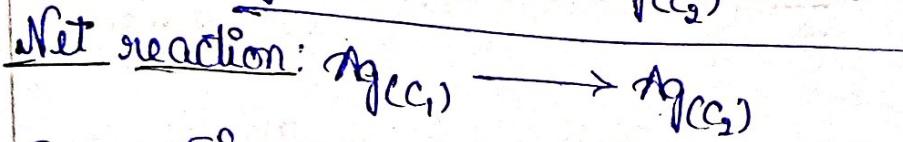
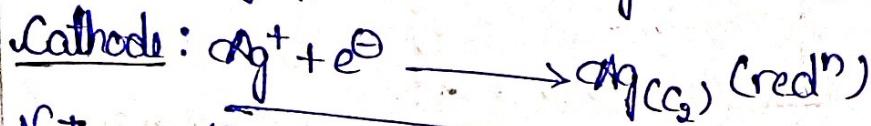
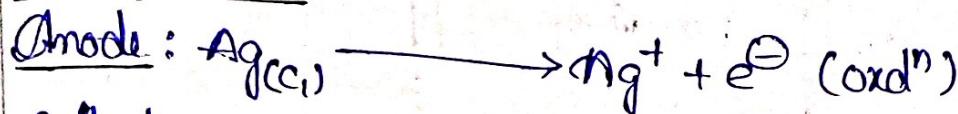
$$E = E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log C$$

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{right}} - E_{\text{left}}$$

$$E_{\text{left}} = E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log C_1$$

$$E_{\text{right}} = E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log C_2$$

Cell reaction:



$$E_{\text{cell}} = E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log C_2 - E^{\circ} - \frac{0.0591}{n} \log C_1$$
$$= \frac{0.0591}{n} (\log C_2 - \log C_1)$$

$$\therefore E_{\text{cell}} = \frac{0.0591}{n} \log \left( \frac{C_2}{C_1} \right).$$

Applications:

1. To determine sparingly solubility of  $\text{BaSO}_4$ .

2. To determine valency of mercury ( $\text{Hg}^{2+} \rightarrow$  valency of 2)

\* Battery or Cell:

A combination of several electrochemical cells which are connected in series and can be used as source of direct electric current at a constant voltage is called Battery.

i) Primary battery or Primary cell: Primary cell is irreversible cell. After usage of battery, then become dead.

Ex: Dry cell, mercury cell.

ii) Secondary battery or Secondary cell: Secondary cell is reversible cell or rechargeable cell. These cells are used again and again.

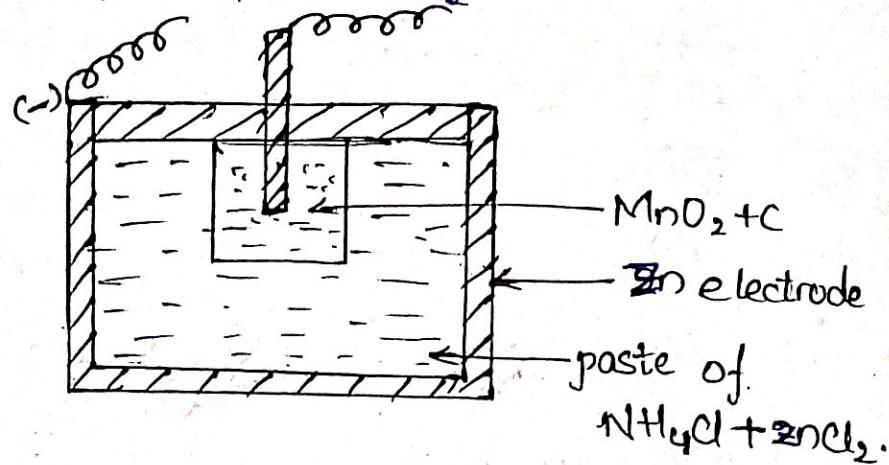
Ex:  $\text{Ni-Cd}$  cell, lead storage cell.

## Dry cell or Leclanche cell:

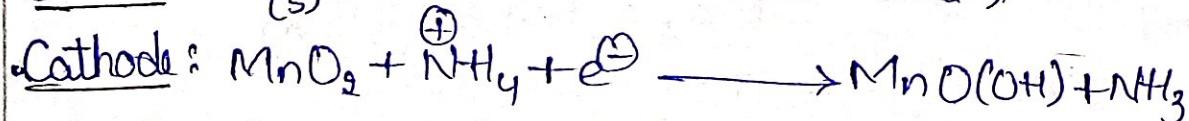
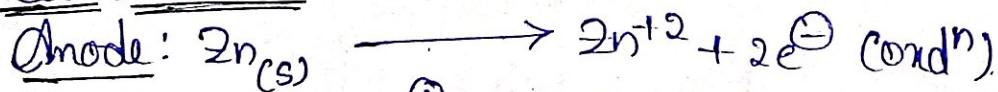
Anode: Zinc

Cathode: graphite ( $MnO_2 + C$ )

Electrolyte: paste of  $NH_4Cl + ZnCl_2$ .



### Cell reactions:



$NH_3$  is not liberated as gas,  $NH_3$  combines with  $Zn^{+2}$  to form complex. cell potential is +1.5 volts.

### Disadvantages:

- 1) Current is gone, the product is will be build up on the electrode which cause drop in voltage.
- 2) Electrolyte is acidic, Zinc metal dissolves slowly then cell will rundown slowly.

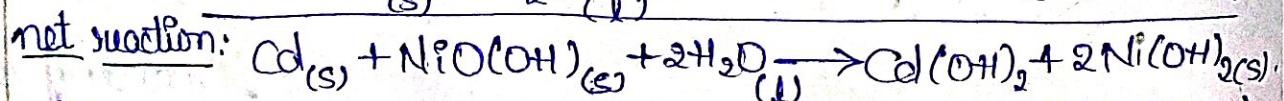
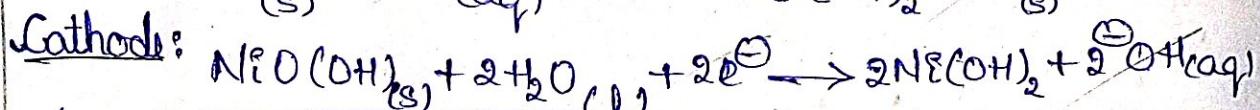
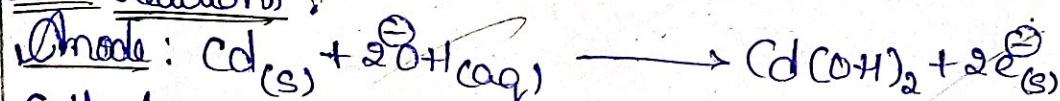
### Ni-cd cell:

Anode: Cadmium

Cathode: Paste of  $NiO(OH)$  (Nickel oxy hydroxide).

Electrolyte: KOH solution

### Cell Reactions:



which is reversible (formation of  $Cd(OH)_2$  and  $Ni(OH)_2$  deposit on concn electrode).

Cell potential is +1.4 volts.

- Types:
- 1) Packed plate Ni-Cd cell.
  - 2) Slotted plate Ni-Cd cell.

Advantages:

1) High range discharge and low temperature operation.

2) Long self without any maintenance.

Applications:

1, Aircraft application.

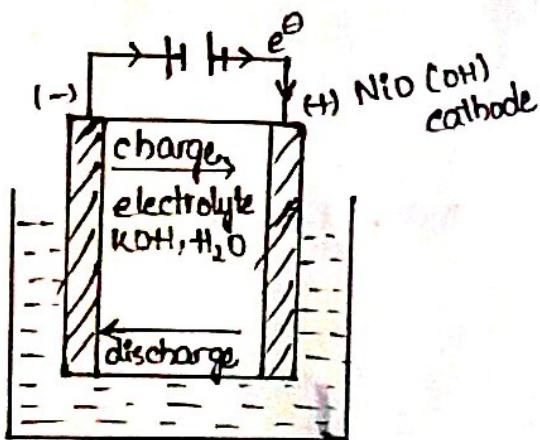
2, Emergency power supply.

3, Train lights.

4, Diesel engines.

5, Military applications.

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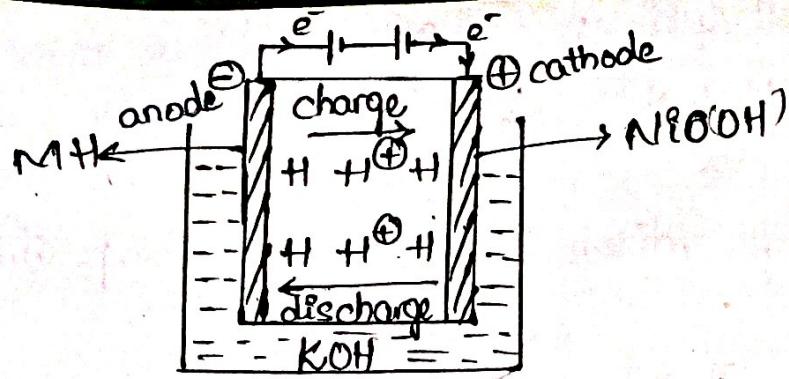
NiMH (Nickel Metal Hydride) cell:

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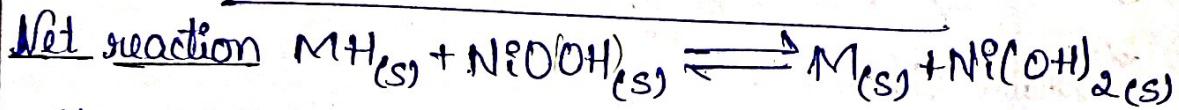
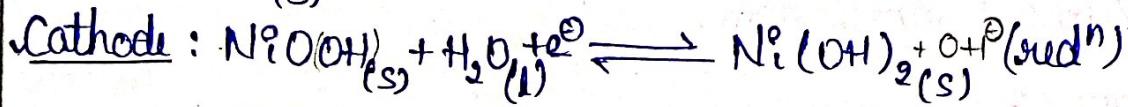
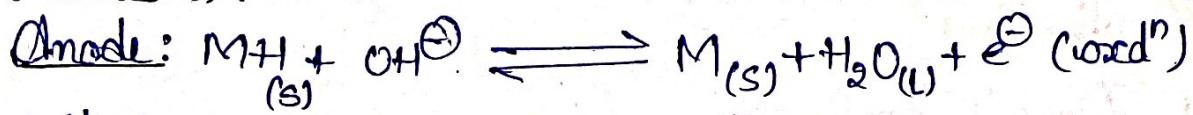
anode: M<sup>+</sup>

cathode: NiO(OH)

electrolyte: KOH solution



### Reactions :



cell potential is +1.2 volts.

### Advantages :

- 1, Ecofriendly.
- 2, More cycle life.
- 3, Safety during accidents.
- 4, Wide temp. operating
- 5, Low cost.

### Disadvantages :

Low potential, causes corrosion on electrodes.

### Applications :

- 1, Electrical sensors.
- 2, Tooth brushes.
- 3, Cameras.
- 4, Mobile phones
- 5, Automatic drives
- 6, Medical instruments.

### Lithium cell (primary cell) :

- 1, Lithium cell with solid cathode.
- 2, Lithium cell with liquid cathode.

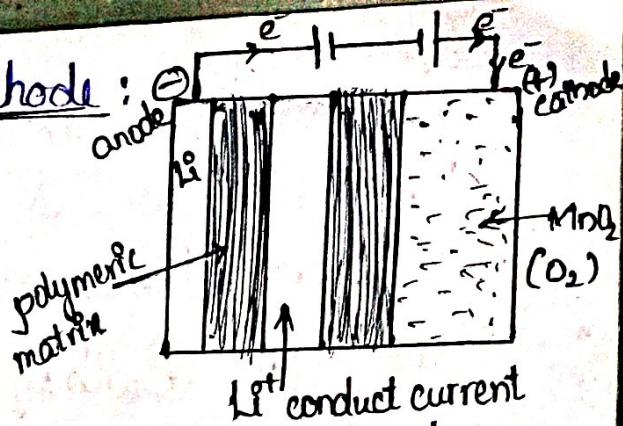
## 1) Lithium cell with solid cathode:

Anode: lithium.

Cathode:  $MnO_2$  and  $C$  (3 volts)

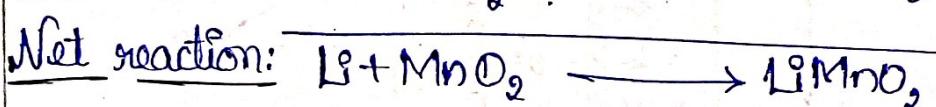
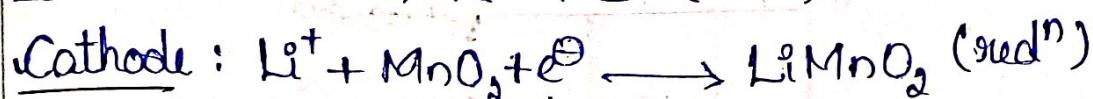
$H_2O$  absorbing nature

Improve efficiency.



Electrolyte: Mixture of propylene carbonate and 1,2-dimethoxy methane (solid or liquid)

### Cell Reactions:



### Applications:

1. Cylindrical cell - automatic cameras.

2. Coin cell - calculators, watches.

## 2) Lithium cell with liquid cathode:

Anode: Lithium  $\xrightarrow{\text{bc}}$  (lithium sulphur dioxide  $Li-SO_2$ )

Cathode: Sulphur dioxide

Electrolyte:  $Li_2SO_3$  (Solvent) is used either acrylonitrile and propylene carbonate (60:40)

Mixture of two and 50% of volume of  $O_2$ .

## 3) Lithium thionyl chloride ( $Li-SOCl_2$ ):

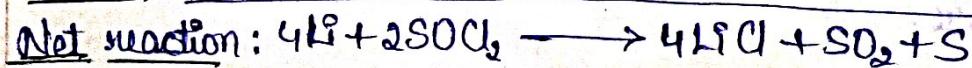
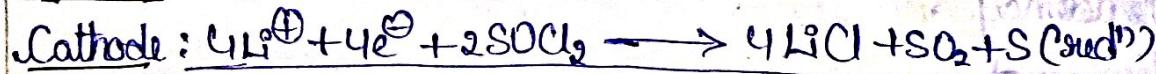
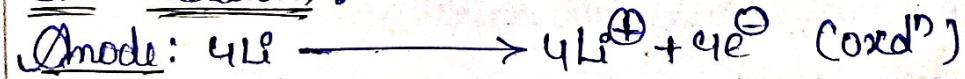
Anode: Lithium

Cathode: Carbon (non-woven glass separation).

active cathode:  $SOCl_2$ .

Electrolyte:  $SOCl_2$ .

### Cell Reactions:



## Applications:

- 1) Li-SOCl<sub>2</sub> used in electronic circuit boards.  
 2) These are used in military and aircraft applications.  
 3) Used as Neutra stimulators, drop delivery system.

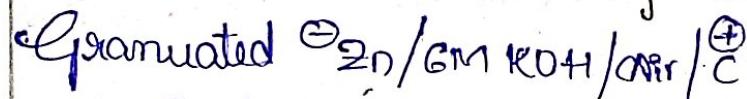
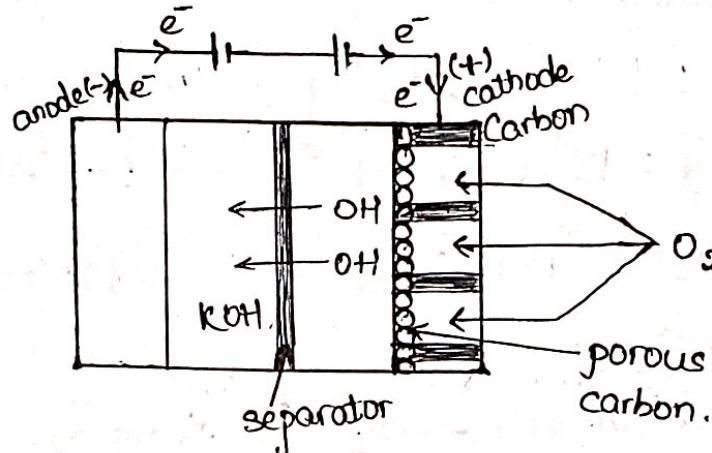
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## Zinc - Air Battery:

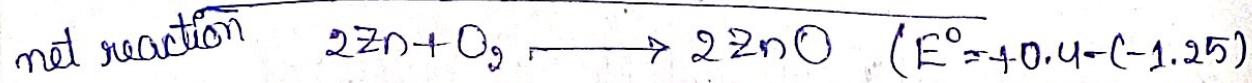
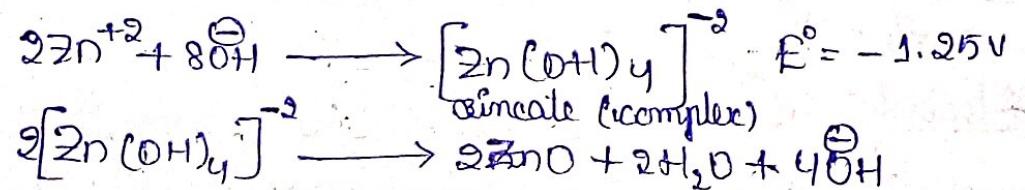
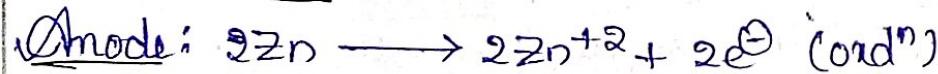
Anode: Zinc.

Cathode: Carbon surrounded with oxygen.

Electrolyte: KOH solution.



## Cell Reactions:



Theoretical value is +1.65 Volts

Which is reduced to 1.35 - 1.4 Volts (due to sinceate).

Drawback: Internal losses due to low potential.

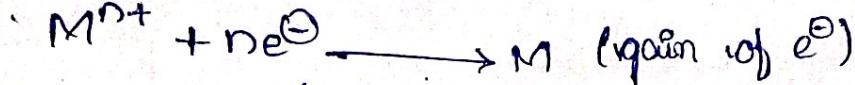
## Nernst equation:

1, Concentration of Ions in solution.

2, Tendency of Ions.

3, Temperature.

Let us consider reduction reactions at cathode.



$$\Delta G = \Delta G^\circ + RT \ln K \quad (\Delta G^\circ = \text{standard free energy})$$

$$K = [M] / [M^{n+}] \quad 298\text{ K, 1M conc.}$$

$$K = \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]} \quad \text{for } [M] = 1\text{ Mole} \quad R = \text{real gas constant}$$

T = temperature

$$\Delta G = \Delta G^\circ + 2.303RT \log_{10} \left[ \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]} \right] \quad (\because F = 96500)$$

$$\Delta G = -nEF, \quad \Delta G^\circ = -nE^\circ F$$

$$-nEF = -nE^\circ F + 2.303RT \log_{10} \left[ \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]} \right]$$

$$E = E^\circ - \frac{2.303RT}{nF} \log_{10} \left[ \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]} \right]$$

$$E = E^\circ + \frac{2.303RT}{nF} \log [M^{n+}] \rightarrow \text{for reduction.}$$

$$E = E^\circ + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log [M^{n+}] \quad (\text{red}^n)$$

$$\therefore R = 8.314 \text{ kJ}^{-1}\text{Mole}^{-1}$$

$$T = 298 \text{ K}$$

$$F = 96500 \text{ coulombs}$$

$$E = E^\circ - \frac{0.0591}{n} \log [M^{n+}] \quad (\text{oxid}^n)$$

$$E = E^\circ - \frac{0.0591}{n} \log \frac{[\text{products}]}{[\text{reactants}]}$$

Galvanic cell,



$$E = E^\circ - \frac{0.0591}{n} \log \frac{[Zn^{+2}]}{[Cu^{+2}]}$$

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Fuel Cell: Fuel cell is an electrochemical cell which converts chemical energy contained in an easily available fuel oxidant system into electrical energy.

Characteristics of fuel cell:

(1) High efficiency.

(2) Low noise level.

(3) Free from vibration, heat transfer and thermal pollution.

(4) Wide range of temperature operate.

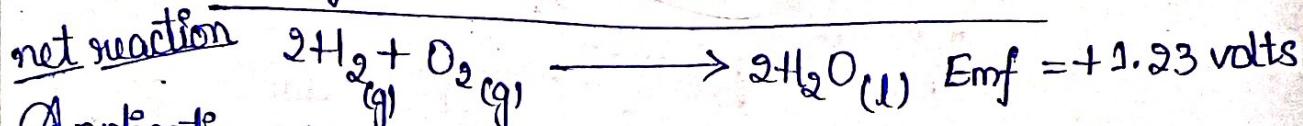
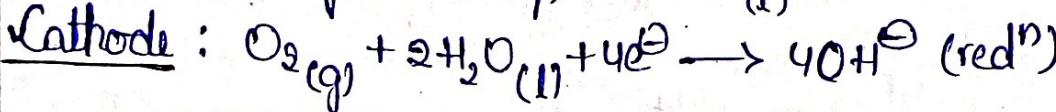
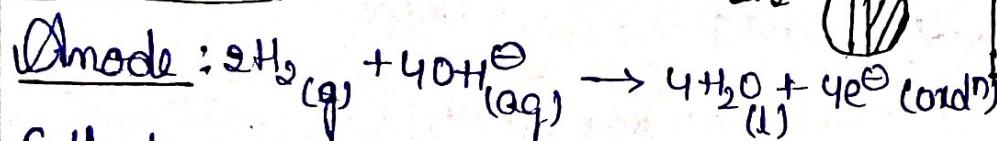
### Hydrogen - Oxygen Fuel cell:

Electrodes (Anode, Cathode): Two porous electrodes

Made of graphite impregnated with finely divided Pt or a 75/25 alloy of Pb with Ag (Cu) N

Electrolyte: 25% KOH

### Cell reactions:



### Applications:

1. These are used as energy source in space vehicles, submarines and military applications.

2. Space crafts produce water as a valuable fresh water source for astronauts.

### Advantages of fuel cell:

1. Energy conversion is very high (75-82)

2. Formation of water is a drinking water source for astronauts

3. Thermal and noise pollution are very low.

4. Maintenance cost is low.

### Limitations:

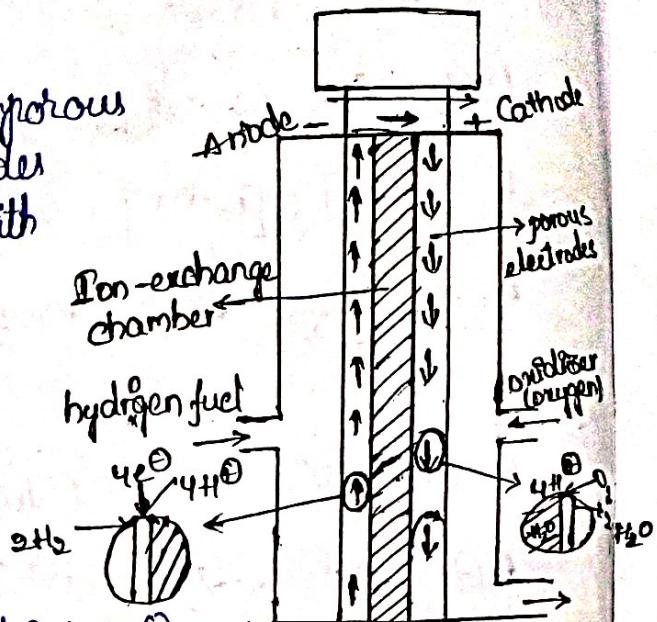
1. Life time of fuel cells is not accurately known.

2. Initial cost is very high.

3. Distribution of hydrogen is not proper.

### Methyl alcohol - Oxygen alkaline fuel cell:

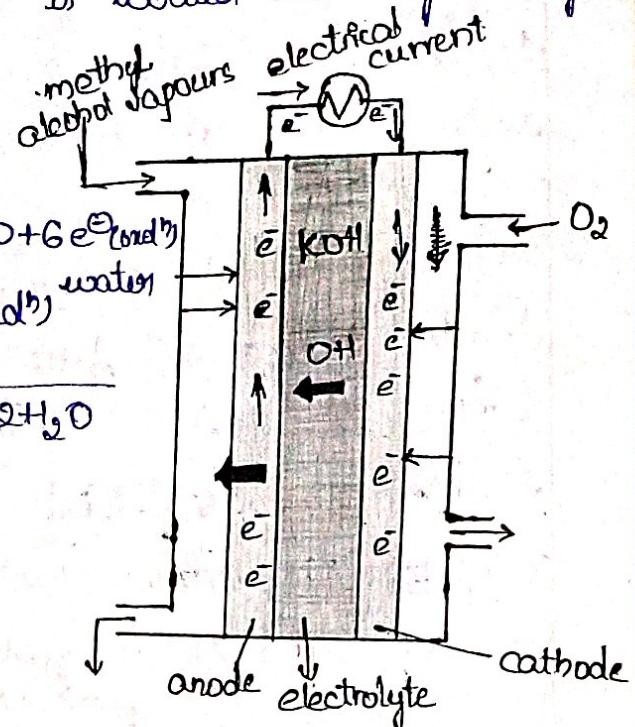
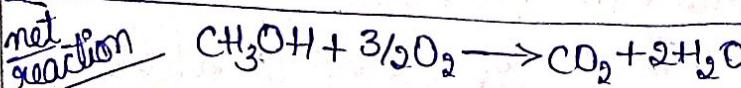
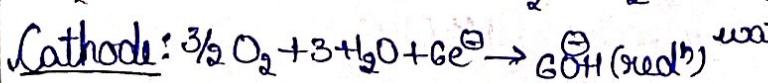
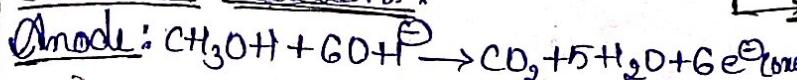
Anode: Porous nickel which is impregnated with Pt catalyst



Cathode: Porous nickel which is coated with Ag catalyst.

Electrolyte: KOH solution.

Chemical reactions:



Advantages:

1) Easy to transport.

2) Excellent fuel.

3) Less risk to aquatic plants, animals, human beings,

4) CO<sub>2</sub> emission is obtained, these cells are eco-friendly.

Applications:

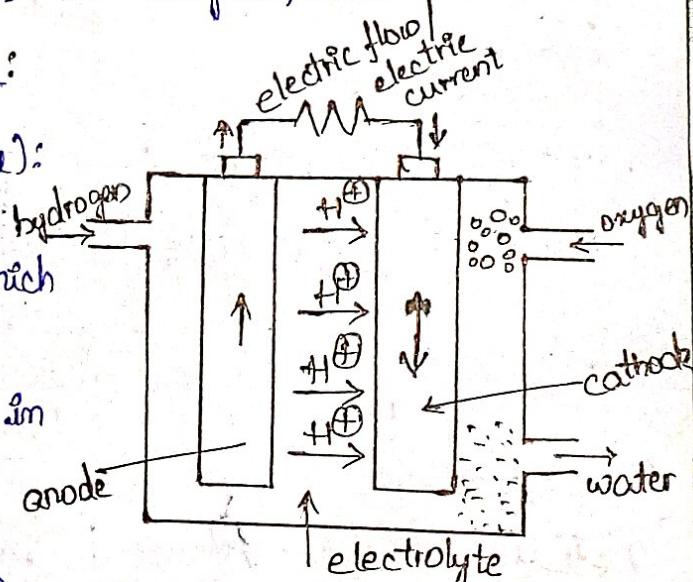
1) Methyl alcohol oxygen is a fuel for fuel cell motor vehicles like NECAR-5 in Japan, USA....

Phosphoric acid fuel cell:

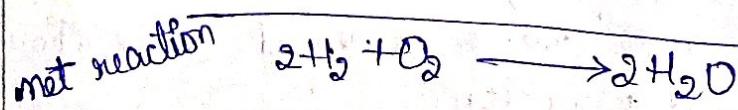
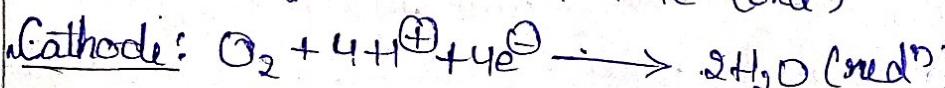
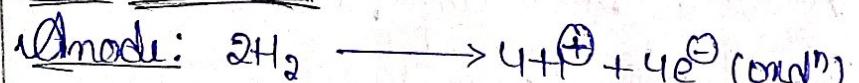
Electrodes (Anode, Cathode):

Two electrodes made up of hydrogen carbon paper (or) graphite which is coated with Pt catalyst.

Electrolyte: Phosphoric acid in silicon carbide matrix



Cell Reactions:



## Applications:

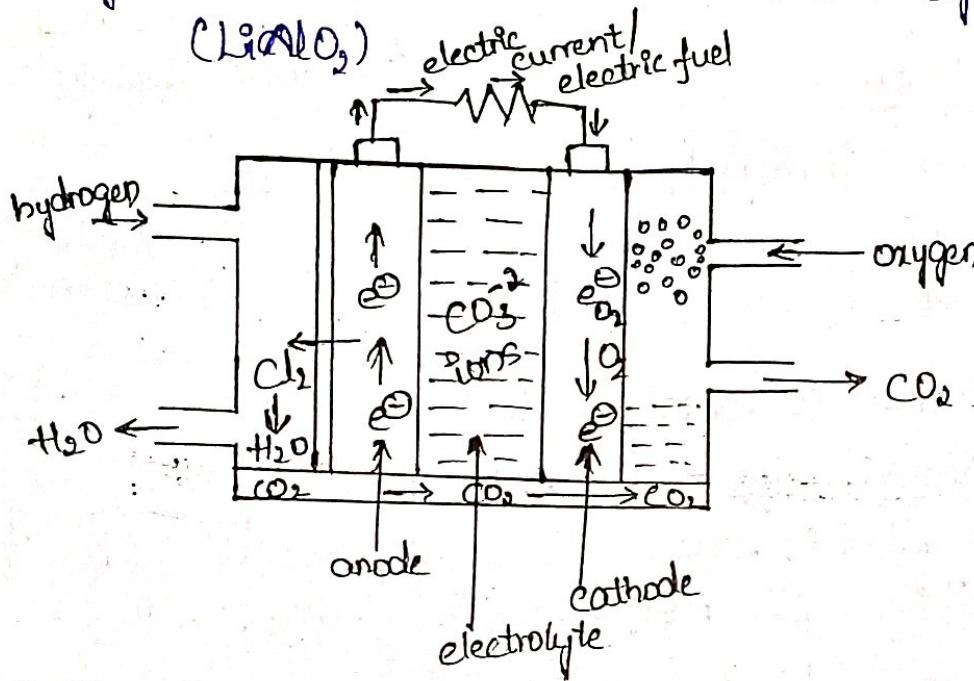
- 1) These are used for stationary power generations with output 100 KW to 400 KW.
- 2) These are used for buses.
- 3) In India, DRDO has developed PB AFC.

## Molten carbonate fuel cell (MCFC):

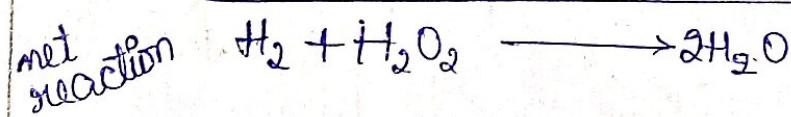
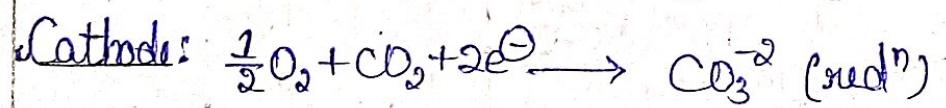
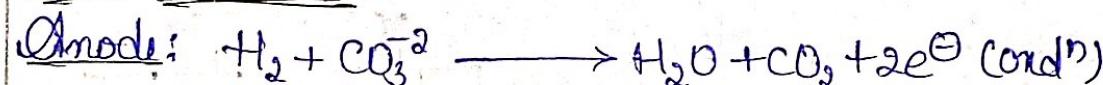
Anode: Porous Nickel with 2% of Al (or) Cr (alloy).

Cathode: Porous Nickel.

Electrolyte: Sodium Potassium Carbonate by ceramic ( $\text{LiAlO}_2$ )



## Cell Reactions:



## Applications:

- 1) These cells are used in many industries.

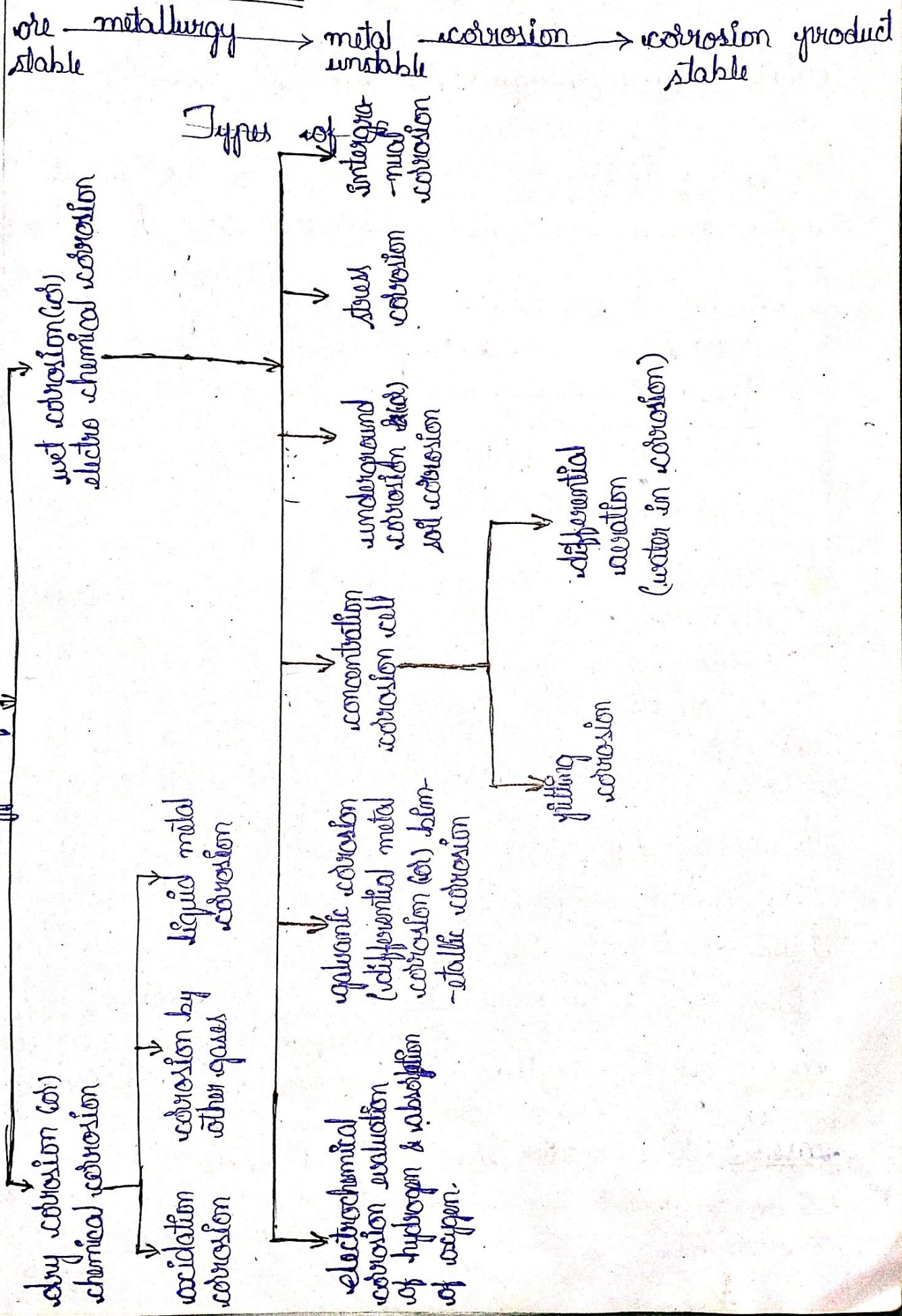
2) Electricity produced via steam turbines.

Corrosion: Natural tendency of conversion of metal into mineral compounds or metal oxides with the interaction of environment is called corrosion.

Eg:

- Rusting of iron: reddish layer on iron ( $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ ).
- Green layer on copper ( $\text{CuCO}_3 + \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$ ).
- Tarnishing of silver: blakish layer on silver ( $\text{Ag}_2\text{S}$ ).

### Types of Corrosion



i) Bay corrosion: Corrosion occurred in presence of bay condition ( $O_2, CO_2, SO_2, Cl_2, H_2S$ ).

ii) Oxidation corrosion: Corrosion in presence of oxygen.

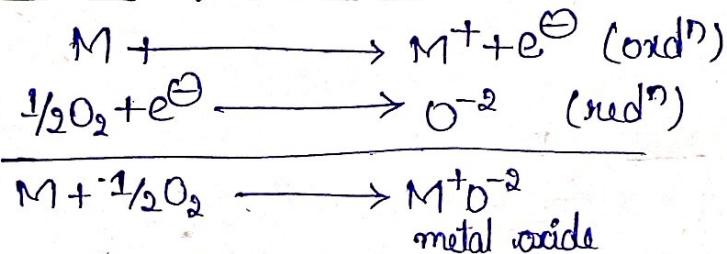
Ex: Rusting of iron.



iii) Corrosion by other gases: Corrosion in presence of  $Cl_2, SO_2, H_2S, CO_2$ .

iv) Liquid metal corrosion: Liquid sodium is used as a coolant nuclear reactor and causes corrosion of cadmium rods.

Mechanism of corrosion:



Types of oxide films:

1) Protective, non-porous oxide film:

Ex: Al, Cu, Cr, W.

2) Unstable oxide film:

Ex: Ag, Au, Pt.

3) Volatile oxide film:

Ex:  $MoO_3$

4) Non-protective, porous oxide film:

Ex: Alkali and Alkali earth metals.

Pilling-bed worth rule:

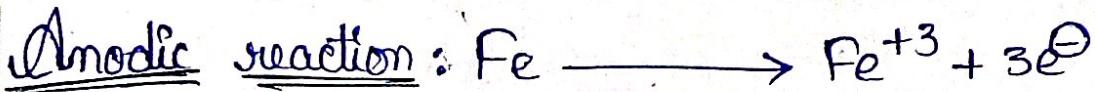
Pilling-bed worth ratio =  $\frac{\text{volume of metal oxide formed}}{\text{volume of metal consumed}}$ .

case - 1: Ratio less than one (alkaline and alkaline earth metals)  
non-protective porous.

case - 2: Ratio greater than one (Al, Cu, Cr, W).

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Electrochemical corrosion (or) wet corrosion:  
Corrosion in presence of aqueous solution electrochemical corrosion evaluation of  $H_2$  and absorption of  $O_2$ .

Ex: Rusting of iron.

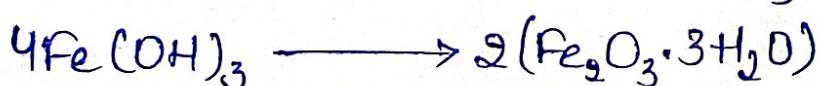
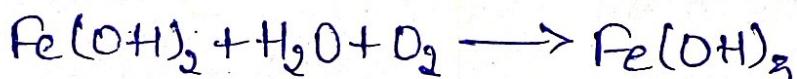
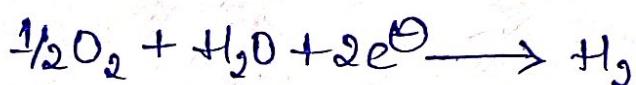


Cathodic reaction:

Evaluation of  $H_2$ :



Absorption of  $O_2$ :

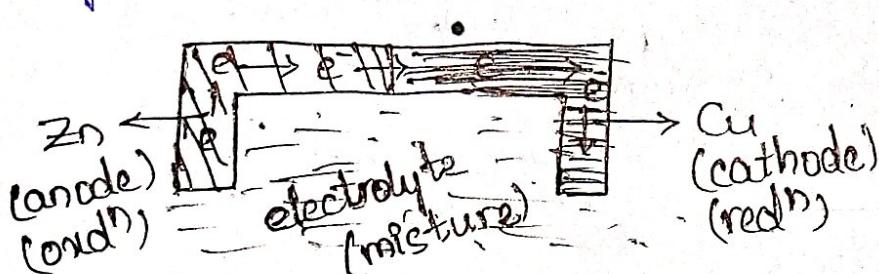


Galvanic corrosion (or) Differential metal corrosion (or)

Bimetallic corrosion:

Zn, Mg, Fe  $\longrightarrow$  anode (oxid<sup>n</sup>) higher in electrochemical series.

Cu, Ag, Au  $\longrightarrow$  cathode (red<sup>n</sup>) lower in electrochemical series.



Galvanic cell series (ord<sup>n</sup>) potential are arranged in decreasing order of activity:

High anodic (active towards corrosion)

Mg  
Mg alloys  
Zn  
Al  
low 'c' steel  
cast iron  
stainless steel (active)  
lead tin alloys  
lead  
tin  
Brass  
Copper  
Bronze  
Copper-Nickel alloys  
Inconel  
Silver  
Stainless steel (passive)  
Monel  
Graphite  
Gold  
Titanium  
Platinum

Active  
(anode)

noble  
(cathodic)

### Concentration cell corrosion:

- \* Less oxygenated part act as anode.
- \* More oxygenated part act as cathode.

Concentration cell corrosion may arise due to

1. Difference in the conc. of metal.

2. Difference in the air/aeration.

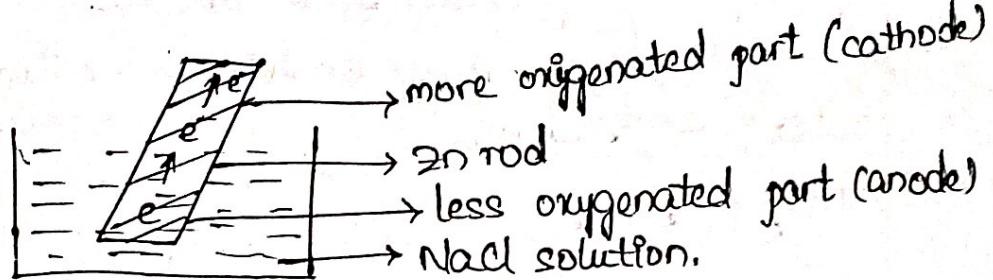
3. Difference in the temp.

4. Inadequate agitation.

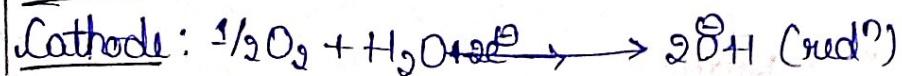
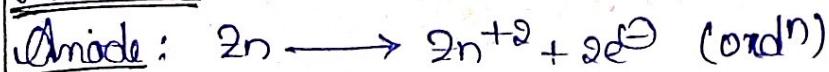
5. Difference in the diffusion of metal.

## Differential aeration corrosion:

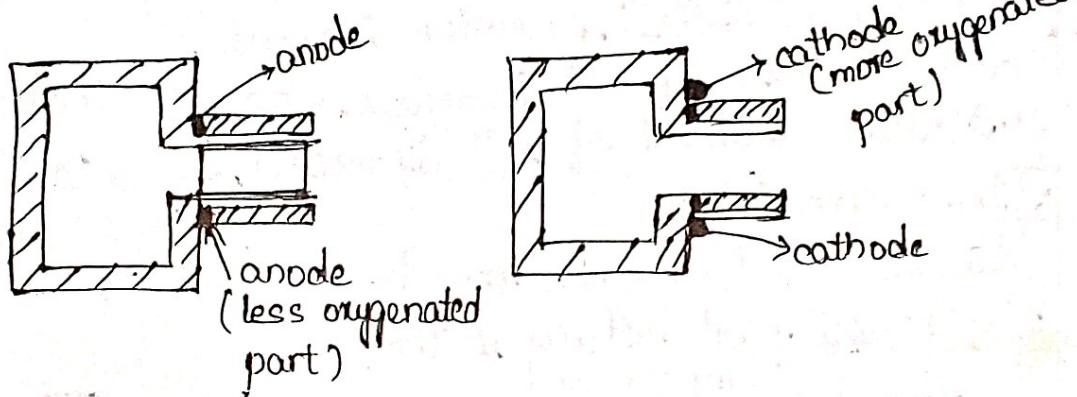
1. Partial immersion of metal in solution (or) Waterline corrosion:



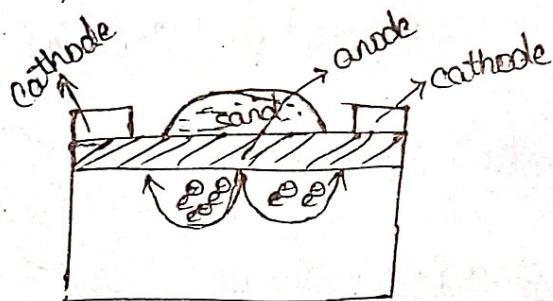
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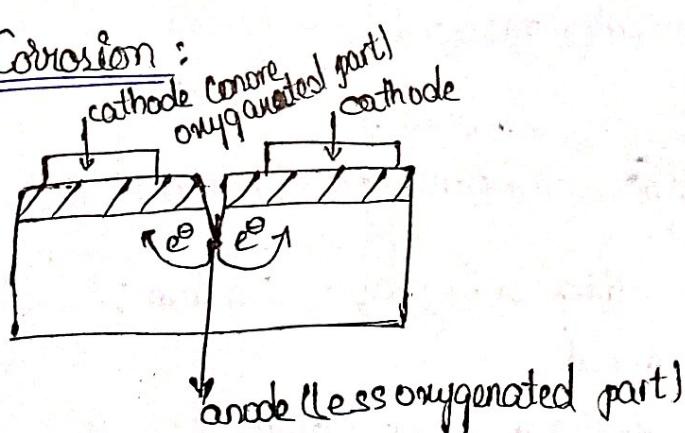
## Faulty design of equipment:



## Accumulation of sand; dirt and scale on metal:



## Pitting Corrosion:

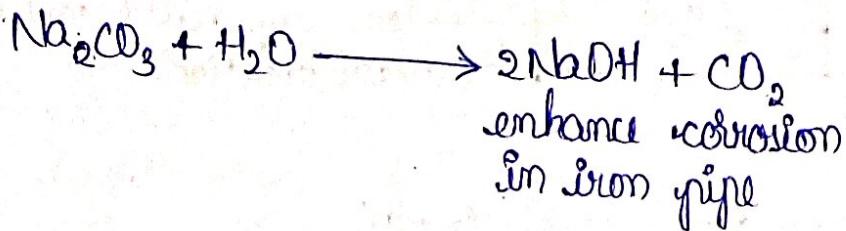


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Boiler corrosion: Bland water passed in boiler, enhances corrosion.

Corrosion product  $\rightarrow$  anode

other than parts in boiler  $\rightarrow$  cathode

Caustic embrittlement:



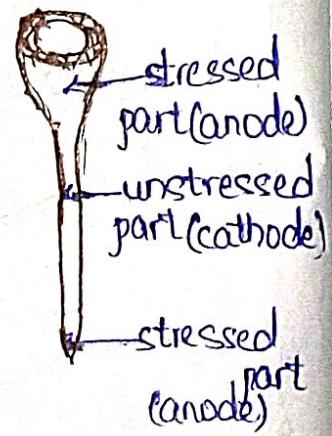
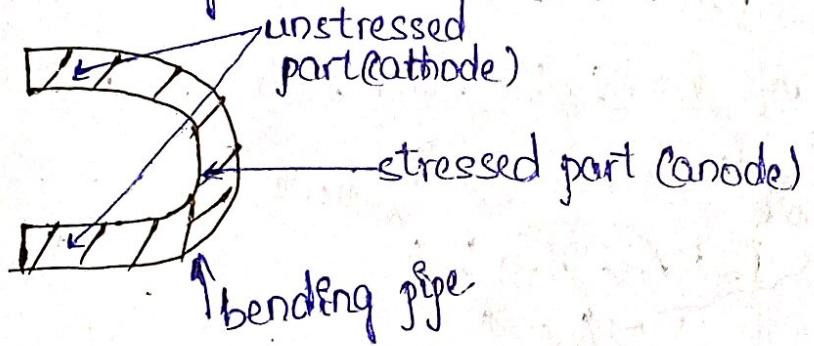
Underground corrosion:

- (1) Acidity of soil increases, corrosion increases.
- (2) Oeration <sup>increase</sup>, corrosion increases.
- (3) Conductivity of soil increases, corrosion increases.
- (4) Moisture content of soil increases, corrosion increases.

Stress corrosion:

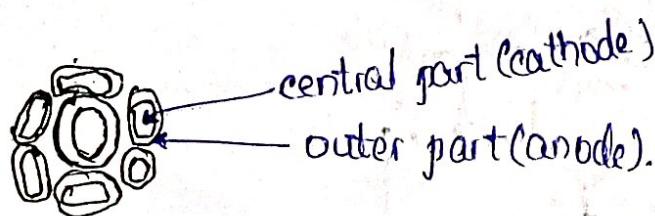
Stressed part act as anode.

Unstressed part act as cathode.



Intergranular corrosion:

Ex:- Grains, smaller molecules.



\* Factors influencing rate of corrosion:

(1) Nature of metal.

(2) Nature of corroding environment.

## i) Natural of metal:

### (i) Position of metal in electrochemical series (anodic) galvanic series:

Zn, Mg, Fe → higher in electrochemical series (anod<sup>n</sup>) - enhance the corrosion

Cu, Ag, Au → lower in electrochemical series (cathod<sup>n</sup>) - resist the corrosion

### (ii) Oxidation voltage:

Zn in 1N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> then gets H<sub>2</sub> gas and, higher over voltage i.e., 0.7 volts.

If few drops of CuSO<sub>4</sub> added to above solution the deposit Cu ion Zn and reduces the voltage to 0.33 volts (Cu or Zn accelerate the corrosion).

### (iii) Relative ratio of anodic and cathodic parts:

$$\text{Ratio} = \frac{\text{cathodic area}}{\text{anodic area}}$$

Anodic area ↑, rate ↓, corrosion ↓.

## iv) Purity of metal:

metal	% of purity	rate of corrosion
Zn	99.999	1
Zn	99.99	2650
Zn	99.95	5000,

## v) Passive character of metals:

Metals like Al, Ti, Cr, Ni → passive character.

Ex: stainless steel → steel contain 13 to 25% of "Cr".

### (vi) Volatile nature of corroding product:

MoO<sub>3</sub> → volatile nature → corrosion ↑

### (vii) Solubility of corroding product:

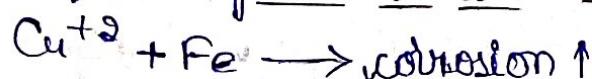
Pb is soluble in FeSO<sub>4</sub> → corrosion ↑

### (viii) Physical state of metal:

Grains, small parts, stressed parts → corrosion ↑

## Q. Nature of corroding environment:

- (i) Temperature: Temp  $\uparrow$ , rate of corrosion  $\uparrow$
- (ii) Humidity: humidity  $\uparrow$ , rate of corrosion  $\uparrow$ .
- (iii) Presence of impurities in atmosphere: Impurities like  $H_2S$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $SO_2$ , smoke in atmosphere increase the corrosion.
- (iv) Nature of ions present in the medium:



## vi. Conductivity of corroding medium:

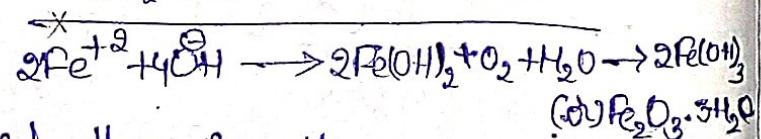
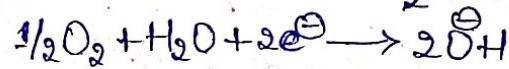
dry sand soil  $\rightarrow$  corrosion  $\downarrow$

wet soil  $\rightarrow$  corrosion  $\uparrow$

## vii) Amount of oxygen in atmosphere:

Rusting of Iron : Anode:  $Fe \rightarrow Fe^{+3} + 3e^-$  (oxidn)

Cathode:  $2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2$



## viii) Velocity of ions which flows in the medium:

Diffusion of ions  $\uparrow$ , rate of corrosion  $\uparrow$ .

ix) Effect of pH: Acid solution have high rate of corrosion than neutral and base solution.

## x) Control methods of corrosion:

### Proper designing of equipments:

1, To avoid contact between two dissimilar metals.

2, Anodic area  $\downarrow$ , cathodic area  $\uparrow$ .

3, Position of metal in electrochemical series very closed.

4, Maintain homogenous of metals.

5, Anode must be painted.

6, Two electrodes contact between insulating materials.

### else of pure metals and alloys:

Heterogeneous corrosion  $\uparrow$

Homogeneous corrosion ↴

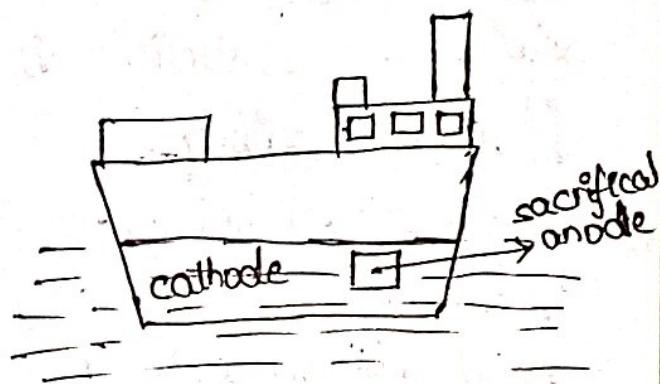
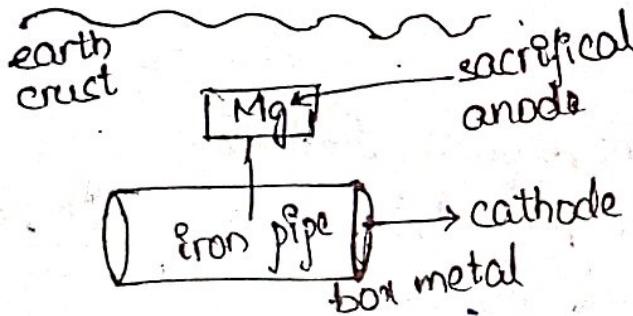
Ex: Stainless steel  $\rightarrow$  Cr (13 to 25%)

Cathodic Protection: Protection of base metal behave like a cathode i.e., cathodic protection.

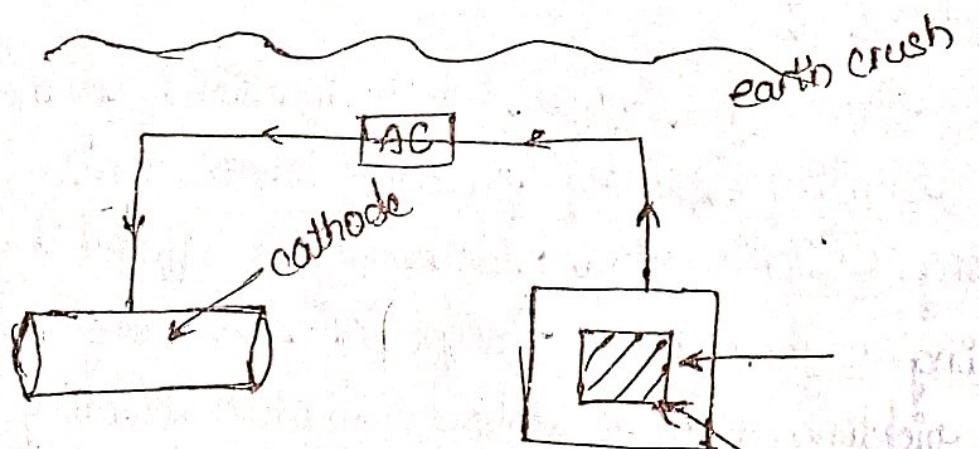
(1) Sacrificial anodic protection.

(2) Impressed current voltage method.

(3) Sacrificial anode protection: Base metal which is protected by "Mg".



(2) Impressed current voltage method: Base metal which is protected by voltage current.



Cathodic Corrosion  
Cathodic inhibitors: A substance which when added in small quantities to the aqueous environment effectively decrease the corrosion of a metal is called cathodic corrosion inhibitors.

1) Anodic inhibitors.

2) Cathodic inhibitors.

1) Anodic inhibitors: Inhibitors avoid the corrosion on metal. Protective film on the surface of the metal; reducing the corrosion.

Ex: Chromates, phosphates, tungstates, transition metals.

2) Cathodic inhibitors:



i) Diffusion of  $H^{\oplus}$ ,

ii) Over voltage ↑

Ex: Amines, Heterocyclic compounds,

Disadvantages:

1) Bare metal is protected but surrounding ion is affected by corrosion.

2) Cost of protection is high.

Surface coating:

Solvent cleaning: Ex: Acetone, cyclohexene, Toluene.

Alkaline cleaning: Tri sodium phosphate along with soap and rinsed with 0.1% chromic acid.

Mechanical cleaning: Loosely particles removed by brush.

Sticky scales removed by sand paper. After cleaning with detergents.

Flame cleaning: Scales, dirty particles removed by flame.

Sand blasting: Sticky particles and removed sand blasting.

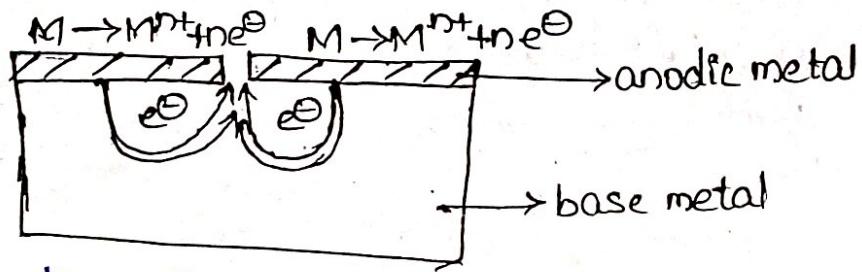
Disadvantage: Workers are effected by silicosis disease.

Pickling and etching: Except "Al" remaining all metals follow acid pickling. Al is follow alkaline pickling.

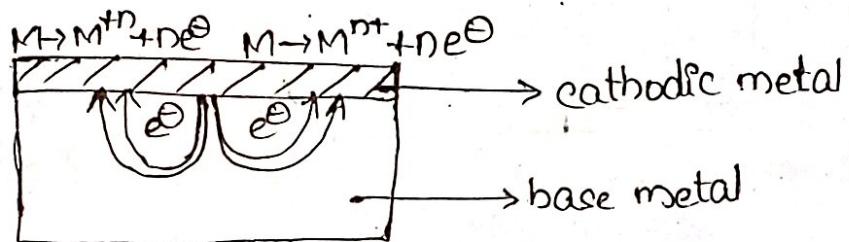
\* Acid pickling of steel → warm  $H_2SO_4$  and cold HCl.

Metallic coating: Base metal coated with another metal.

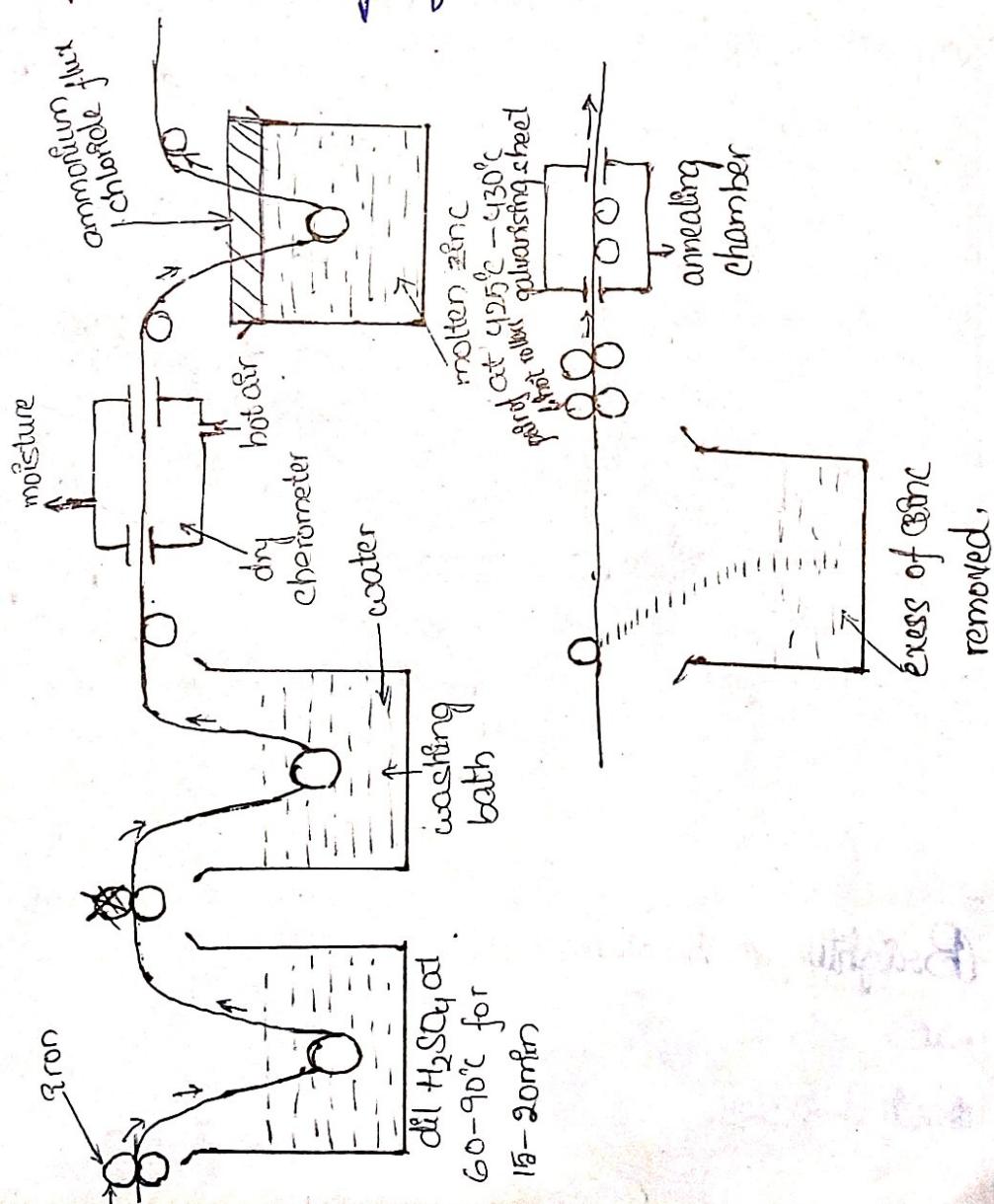
Anodic coating: Base metal is coated with anodic metal.



2) Cathodic coating: Base metal is coated with cathodic metal.



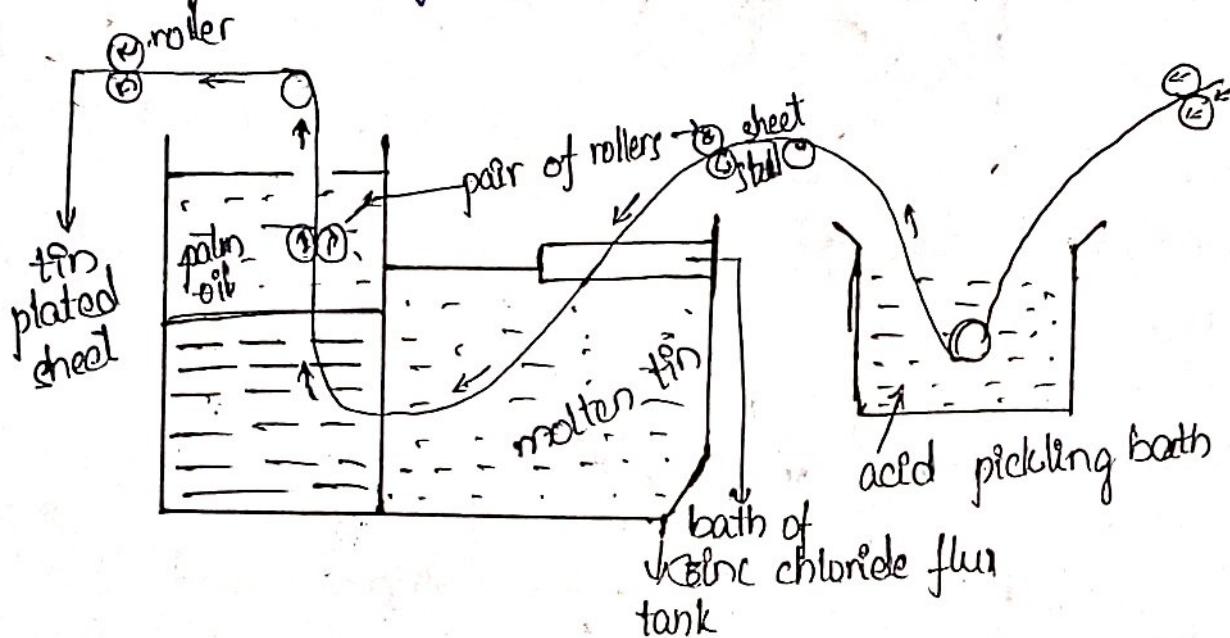
\* Galvanising: Coating of Zinc on Iron (or) steel.



Applications: Littles, sheets, pipes, nails, bolts etc.

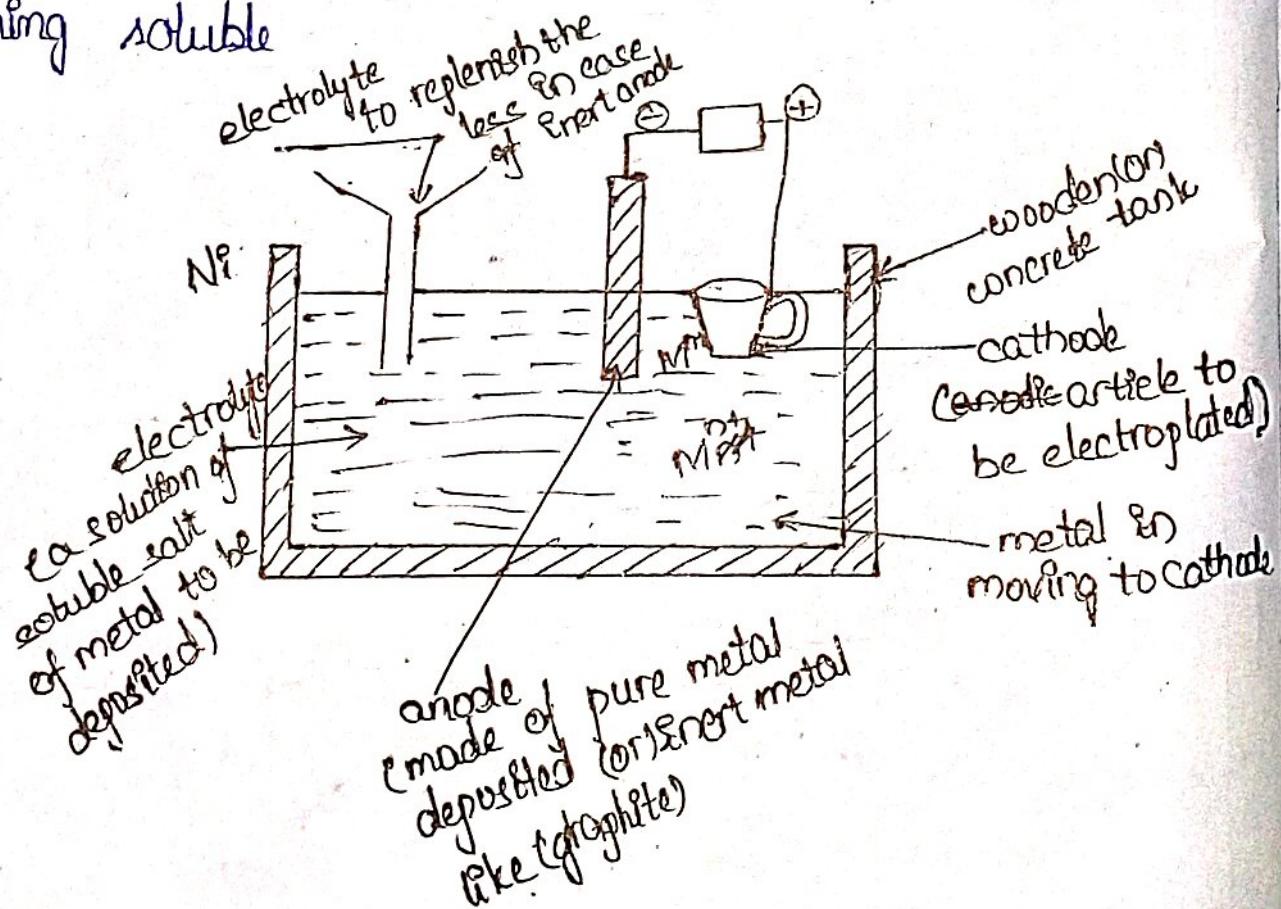
Disadvantages: Galvanized utensils can't be used for cooking purpose. ( $2\text{Zn} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow$  poison).

\* Tinning: Coating of tin ion iron or steel.



Tinning of sheet steel

Electroplating (or) Electro deposition: Coating metal is deposited on containing soluble



Electroplating of Ni on iron article:

Electrolyte:  $\text{NiSO}_4$ ,  $\text{NaCl}$ , boric acid.

pH: 4 (boric acid buffer).

Temp: 40 - 70°C

Current density: 20-30 mA/cm².

Additive added: Saccharin, Coumarin.

Anode: 99% pure Ni piece.

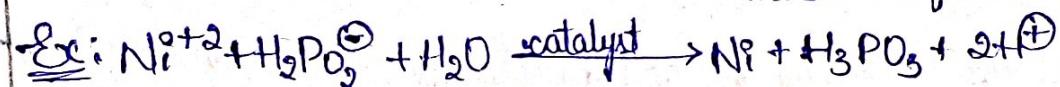
Cathode: Base metal article.

Applications: Used in industries to produce metallic coating.

Electroplating: Corrosion resistance, hardness, surface property non-metals like plastics, wood, glass etc.

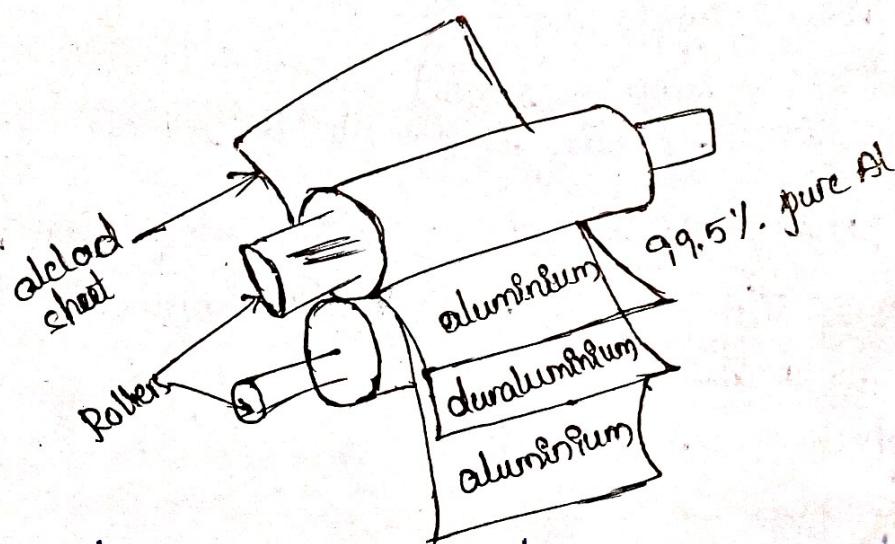
Electroless plating (or) Displacement plating (or) Immersion plating (or) Chemical reduction plating (or) Auto-catalyst plating:

Metal ions + Reducing agents  $\longrightarrow$  Metal deposited on the base metal surface + oxidising product



(Iron) Nickel sulphate + sodium hypophosphite  $\longrightarrow$  (nickel metal phosphide)  $\leftarrow$  base deposited on metal (iron)

Metal cladding: Metal cladding is a process by which a dense homogeneous layer of coated metal is bonded permanently to the base metal on both sides.



Alclad sheet  $\longrightarrow$  aircraft industry

duraluminium ( $\text{Al} + \text{Mg} + \text{Mn} + \text{Cu}$ ) between 99.5% pure Al.

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Metal spraying: Base metal which is protected by spraying of another metal.

(1) Gun method.

(2) Powdered method.

Cementation (or) diffusion:

(1) Zincating → Fe is coated with Zn ( $350-370^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) (2-3 hrs)

(2) Colorising → Fe is coated with Al ( $\text{Al}_2\text{Fe}_9$ ).

(3) Chromidising → 55% Cr, 45% Al on base metal ( $1300-1400^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 3 hrs).

(4) Siliconising → silicon tetrachloride on base metal

(silicon tetrachloride is a coating metal)

Organic coating:

Paint: Paint is a uniform dispersion of finely divided solid in a liquid is called vehicle.

Constituents of Paints:

(1) Pigments

(2) Vehicle (or) drying oil (or) binder (ex: linseed oil, castor oil)

(3) Thinners (or) solvents. (ex: kerosin, methyl alcohol).

(4) Fillers

(5) Plasticisers.

Varnishes: Varnish is a colloidal dispersion of natural (or) synthetic resin in oil or in thinner or both.

Varnishes are 2 types:

(1) oil varnishes → resin + solvent

(2) spirit varnishes → resin is soluble in solvent.

Lacquers: Lacquer is a colloidal dispersion of cellular derivative and resin in a solvent.

(1) Cellular derivatives

(2) Resin shellac

(3) Plasticisers

(4) Solvent

Enamels: Enamel is pigmented varnish which on drying gives tessellated hard and glossy film.

(1) Pigment.

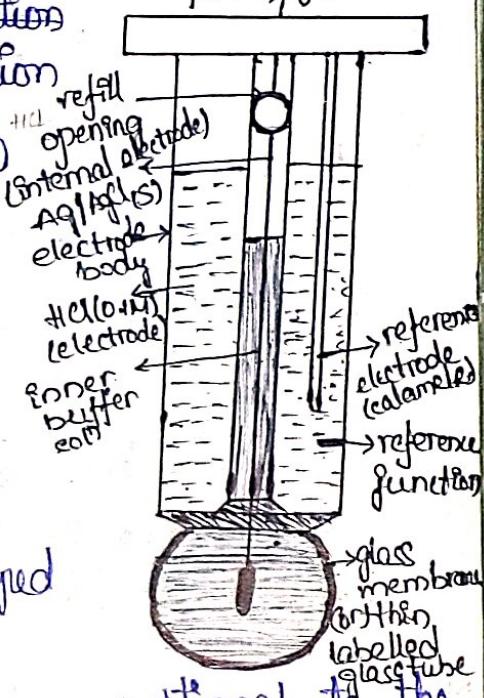
(2) Vehicle (or) drying oil.

(3) Emulsifying agent.

Glass electrode: Glass electrode is also called pH electrode and belongs to ISE (Ionic selective electrode) family.

Construction:

Glass electrode consists of glass tube ended with thin walled glass bulb. Buffered solution of fluoride is filled inside the electrode. AgCl-coated silver wire is immersed in the solution (in place of Ag-Pt electrode in 0.1M of  $\text{HCl}$  can also be used). The membrane of the glass tube is sensitive to problems.



Principle:

When two solutions of different pH values are separated by a thin glass membrane a potential difference developed between the two surfaces of the membrane. The potential difference is proportional to the difference in pH value.

The glass membrane function as ion exchange resin.

The glass electrode can be represented as  $\text{Ag} \cdot \text{AgCl} \cdot 0.1\text{M HCl} \cdot \text{glass} \cdot \text{H}^+$  (unknown)

The electrode potential of the glass electrode depends upon the concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  ions in the experimental solution and given by

$$E_g = E_g^\circ - 0.0591 \log [\text{H}^+]$$

$$E_g = E_g^\circ + 0.0591 \text{pH}.$$

where  $E_g^\circ$  is the standard electrode potential i.e., the

of the glass electrode when the solution contains unit concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  ion ( $25^\circ\text{C}$ ).

Working: [To determine the pH of the given solution].

If the potential of the glass electrode is known the pH of the solution can be calculated.

To determine the value of the glass electrode ( $E_g$ ). It is combined with a reference electrode like calomel electrode. The emf of the cell is given by

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{calomel}} - E_g$$

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{calomel}} 0.2422 - (E_g + 0.0591 \text{ pH})$$

$$\text{pH} = \frac{0.2422 - E_g - E_{\text{cell}}}{0.0591}$$

$E_g$  value can be calculated by using a solution of known pH.

Advantages:

- 1, It is simple and can be used easily.
- 2, Equilibrium is reached quickly.
- 3, The results are accurate.