

Answer. (a).

- 28.5 Calorizing is the same as which one of the following surface processes: (a) aluminizing, (b) doping, (c) hot sand blasting, or (d) siliconizing?

Answer. (a).

- 28.9 Which one of the following plate metals produces the hardest surface on a metallic substrate: (a) cadmium, (b) chromium, (c) copper, (d) nickel, or (e) tin?

Answer. (b).

- 28.10 Which one of the following plating metals is associated with the term galvanizing: (a) iron, (b) lead, (c) steel, (d) tin, or (e) zinc?

Answer. (e).

- 28.11 Which of the following processes involves electrochemical reactions (two correct answers): (a) anodizing, (b) chromate coatings, (c) electroless plating, (d) electroplating, and (e) phosphate coatings?

Answer. (a) and (d).

- 28.12 With which one of the following metals is anodizing most commonly associated (one answer): (a) aluminum, (b) magnesium, (c) steel, (d) titanium, or (e) zinc?

Answer. (a).

- 28.13 Sputtering is a form of which one of the following: (a) chemical vapor deposition, (b) defect in arc welding, (c) diffusion, (d) ion implantation, or (e) physical vapor deposition?

Answer. (e).

- 28.14 Which one of the following gases is the most commonly used in sputtering and ion plating: (a) argon, (b) chlorine, (c) neon, (d) nitrogen, or (e) oxygen?

Answer. (a).

- 28.15 The principal methods of applying powder coatings are which of the following (two best answers): (a) brushing, (b) electrostatic spraying, (c) fluidized bed, (d) immersion, and (e) roller coating?

Answer. (b) and (c).

- 28.16 Porcelain enamel is applied to a surface in which one of the following forms: (a) liquid emulsion, (b) liquid solution, (c) molten liquid, or (d) powders?

Answer. (d).

- 28.17 Hard facing utilizes which one of the following basic processes: (a) arc welding, (b) brazing, (c) dip coating, (d) electroplating, or (e) mechanical deformation to work harden the surface?

Answer. (a).

Problems

Electroplating

- 28.1 What volume (cm^3) and weight (g) of zinc will be deposited onto a cathodic workpart if 10 amps of current are applied for one hour?

Solution: From Table 29.1, $C = 4.75 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s}$, cathode efficiency $E = 95\%$.

$$\text{Volume } V = ECIt = 0.95(4.75 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s})(10 \text{ A})(1 \text{ hr})(3600 \text{ s/hr}) = \mathbf{1624.5 \text{ mm}^3} \\ = \mathbf{1.6245 \text{ cm}^3}$$

- Density of zinc from Table 4.1 $\rho = 7.15 \text{ g/cm}^3$. Weight $W = 1.6245(7.15) = \mathbf{11.615 \text{ g}}$
- 28.2 A sheet metal steel part with surface area = 100 cm^2 is to be zinc plated. What average plating thickness will result if 15 amps are applied for 12 minutes in a chloride electrolyte solution?
- Solution:** From Table 29.1, $C = 4.75 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s}$, cathode efficiency $E = 95\%$.
 Volume $V = ECIt = 0.95(4.75 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s})(15 \text{ A})(12 \text{ min})(60 \text{ s/min}) = 487.35 \text{ mm}^3$
 Area $A = 100 \text{ cm}^2 = 10,000 \text{ mm}^2$
 Plating thickness $d = 487.35 \text{ mm}^3/10,000 \text{ mm}^2 = \mathbf{0.049 \text{ mm}}$
- 28.3 A sheet metal steel part with surface area = 15.0 in^2 is to be chrome plated. What average plating thickness will result if 15 amps are applied for 10 minutes in a chromic acid-sulfate bath?
- Solution:** From Table 29.1, $C = 0.92 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}^3/\text{A-min}$, cathode efficiency $E = 15\%$.
 Volume $V = ECIt = 0.15(0.92 \times 10^{-4})(15)(10) = 0.00207 \text{ in}^3$.
 Plating thickness $d = 0.00207/15 = \mathbf{0.000138 \text{ in.}}$
- 28.4 Twenty-five jewelry pieces, each with a surface area = 0.5 in^2 are to be gold plated in a batch plating operation. (a) What average plating thickness will result if 8 amps are applied for 10 min in a cyanide bath? (b) What is the value of the gold that will be plated onto each piece if one ounce of gold is valued at \$900? The density of gold = 0.698 lb/in^3 .
- Solution:** (a) From Table 29.1, $C = 3.87 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}^3/\text{A-min}$, cathode efficiency $E = 80\%$.
 Volume $V = ECIt = 0.80(3.87 \times 10^{-4})(8)(10) = 0.02477 \text{ in}^3$.
 With $Q = 25$ pieces and average area per piece = 0.5 in^2 , total area $A = 25(0.5) = 12.5 \text{ in}^2$
 Plating thickness $d = 0.02477/12.5 = \mathbf{0.00198 \text{ in.}}$
- (b) Given density for gold $\rho = 0.698 \text{ lb/in}^3$
 Weight of plated gold = $(0.698 \text{ lb/in}^3)(0.02477 \text{ in}^3) = 0.01729 \text{ lb} = 0.277 \text{ oz.}$
 At \$300/oz, the total value of plated gold = $\$900(0.277) = \249.30
 The value per piece is $\$249.30/25 = \mathbf{\$9.97}$
- 28.5 A part made of sheet steel is to be nickel plated. The part is a rectangular flat plate that is 0.075 cm thick and whose face dimensions are 14 cm by 19 cm . The plating operation is carried out in an acid sulfate electrolyte, using a current = 20 amps for a duration = 30 min. Determine the average thickness of the plated metal resulting from this operation.
- Solution:** From Table 29.1, $C = 3.42 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s}$, cathode efficiency $E = 95\%$.
 Volume $V = ECIt = 0.95(3.42 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s})(20 \text{ A})(30 \text{ min})(60 \text{ s/min}) = 1169.6 \text{ mm}^3$
 Area $A = 2(19 \times 14) + 0.075 \times 2(19 + 14) = 536.95 \text{ cm}^2 = 53,695 \text{ mm}^2$
 Plating thickness $d = 1169.6/53,695 = \mathbf{0.022 \text{ mm}}$
- 28.6 A steel sheet metal part has total surface area = 36 in^2 . How long will it take to deposit a copper plating (assume valence = +1) of thickness = 0.001 in onto the surface if 15 amps of current are applied?
- Solution:** From Table 29.1, $C = 2.69 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}^3/\text{A-min}$, cathode efficiency $E = 98\%$.
 Required volume of plate metal = $36(0.001) = 0.036 \text{ in}^3$
 Plated volume $V = ECIt = 0.98(2.69 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}^3/\text{A-min})(15 \text{ A}) t = 0.003954 t \text{ in}^3$
 $0.003954 t = 0.036$ $t = 0.036/0.003954 = \mathbf{9.1 \text{ min.}}$
- 28.7 Increasing current is applied to a workpart surface in an electroplating process according to the relation $I = 12.0 + 0.2t$, where I = current, amps; and t = time, min. The plating metal is chromium, and the part is submersed in the plating solution for a duration of 20 min. What volume of coating will be applied in the process?
- Solution:** From Table 29.1, $C = 0.92 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}^3/\text{A-min}$, cathode efficiency $E = 15\%$.
 Plated volume $V = EC \int I dt = EC \int (12 + 0.2t) dt = EC(12t + 0.1t^2)$ over the range 0 to 20 min.

$$V = 0.15(0.92 \times 10^{-4})(12 \times 20 + 0.1(20)^2) = \mathbf{0.00386 \text{ in}^3}$$

- 28.8 A batch of 100 parts is to be nickel plated in a barrel plating operation. The parts are identical, each with a surface area $A = 7.8 \text{ in}^2$. The plating process applies a current $I = 120 \text{ amps}$, and the batch takes 40 minutes to complete. Determine the average plating thickness on the parts.

Solution: From Table 29.1, $C = 1.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}^3/\text{A-min}$, cathode efficiency $E = 95\%$.

$$\text{Volume } V = ECIt = 0.95(1.25 \times 10^{-4})(120)(40) = 0.57 \text{ in}^3.$$

$$\text{Area } A = 100(7.8) = 780 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\text{Plating thickness } d = 0.57/780 = \mathbf{0.00073 \text{ in.}}$$

- 28.9 A batch of 40 identical parts is to be chrome plated using racks. Each part has a surface area = 22.7 cm^2 . If it is desired to plate an average thickness = 0.010 mm on the surface of each part, how long should the plating operation be allowed to run at a current = 80 amps ?

Solution: From Table 29.1, $C = 2.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s}$, cathode efficiency $E = 15\%$.

$$\text{Volume } V = ECIt = 0.15(2.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3/\text{A-s})(80 \text{ A})t = 0.3t \text{ mm}^3$$

$$\text{With } Q = 40 \text{ pieces and average area per piece} = 22.7 \text{ mm}^2,$$

$$\text{total area } A = 40(22.7) = 908 \text{ cm}^2 = 90,800 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\text{Plating thickness } d = V/A = (0.3 t \text{ mm}^3)/(90,800 \text{ mm}^2) = 0.03304(10^{-4}) t \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Given that } d = 0.010 \text{ mm, } 0.03304(10^{-4}) t = 0.010$$

$$\text{Thus, } t = 0.010/0.03304(10^{-4}) = 0.3027 \times 10^4 = \mathbf{3027 \text{ s} = 50.44 \text{ min.}}$$