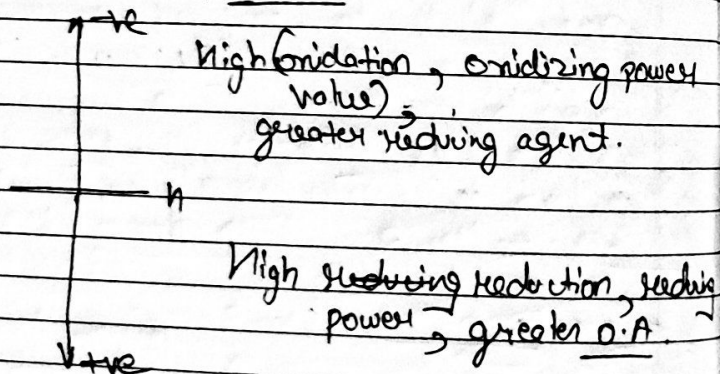


Unit 5
Electrochemistry

Q. Write diff between electrochemical & electrolysis.

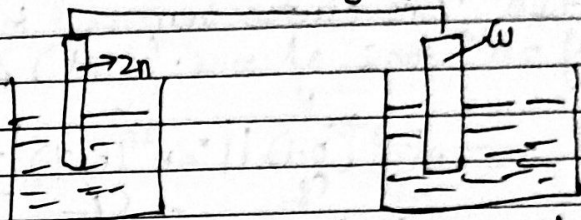
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| <p><u>Electrochemical</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemical energy to electrical energy • Galvanic cell • Salt bridge is required. • Two different solution for anode & cathode • Anode (-ve) Cathode (+ve). | <p><u>Electrolytic</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical energy to chemical energy • No salt bridge not required. • Two electrodes in same electrolyte • Cathode (-ve) Anode (+ve). |
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* Electrochemical series

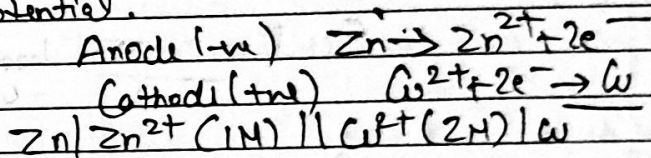


Q. Give examples, give the increasing order of their oxidizing power.
X (-2.5V), Y (1.08V), Z (1.54V)
Higher oxidizing power - X > Y > Z.

* Construction & working of Galvanic cell



→ Electro potential - The tendency of cation or an element to loose or gain e- is called e- potential.



Q. Why salt bridge is required? neutrality
 Ans. • It maintains electrical conductivity
 • It maintains movement of ions.

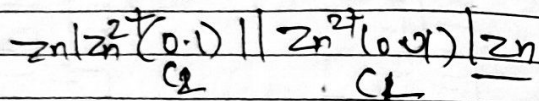
Q. Calculate E_{cell} of the cell -
 $Zn(s) | Zn^{2+} (0.2M) || Ag^+ (0.002) | Ag$
 $Zn \rightarrow Zn^{2+} + 2e^-$
 $2Ag^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow 2Ag$
 $Zn + 2Ag^+ \rightarrow Zn^{2+} + 2Ag$
 $E^{\circ}_{cell} = 1.54$

$$E_{cell} = E^{\circ}_{cell} - \frac{0.059 \log(0.2)}{2} \frac{(0.002)^2}{2}$$

$$E_{cell} = E^{\circ}_{cell} - \frac{0.059}{2} \times \log \left(\frac{1/2 \times 10^{-1}}{2 \times 10^{-3}} \right)$$

$$E_{cell} = E^{\circ}_{cell} - \frac{0.059 \log(1 \times 10^2)}{2} = 1.599$$

Q. Calculate E_{cell} of a conc. cell at $25^\circ C$ consisting of two zinc electrodes immersed in the solutions of Zn^{2+} ions of conc. (0.1M) & (0.01M)



$$Zn \xrightarrow{2e^-} Zn^{2+} \quad Zn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Zn$$

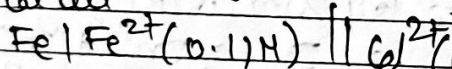
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$$E_{cell} = \frac{0.0591}{2} \log 10 = 0.0295$$

$$E_{cell} = 0.0295$$

Q. Determine the conc. of Cd^{2+} ion in a chemical cell



Assuming activity will continue at equal conc. The E_{cell} of the cell = $-0.02V$. $E^\circ_{cell} = 0.04V$ at $25^\circ C$

$$Fe + Cd^{2+} \rightarrow Fe^{2+} + Cd$$

$$E = E^\circ_{cell} - \frac{0.0591}{2} \log \frac{(x)}{(0.1)}$$

$$-0.02 = 0.04 - \frac{0.0591}{2} \log (10x)$$

$$\frac{0.0591}{2} \log (10x) = 0.04 + 0.02$$

$$\log (10x) = \frac{0.12}{0.0591} = 0.06$$

$$\log (10x) = 0.307$$

$$\log x = 2.027$$

$$n = \frac{2.027 - 0.2}{10}$$

* Nernst Equation -

For a reversible reaction, the free energy & equilibrium constant are related as -

$$\Delta G = \Delta G^\circ + RT \ln \frac{[Products]}{[Reactants]}$$

For a reversible reaction, the electrical energy is produced at the expenses of free energy. (Van't Hoff)

$$\Delta G = -nFE_{cell} \quad \Delta G^\circ = -nFE^\circ_{cell}$$

now place the value of ΔG & ΔG° in eq (1)

$$-nFE_{cell} = -nFE^\circ_{cell} + RT \ln \frac{[M]}{[M^{n+}]}$$

Dividing by nF on both side.

$$E_{cell} = E^\circ_{cell} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{[M]}{[M^{n+}]}$$

$$E_{cell} = E^\circ_{cell} - \frac{2.303RT}{nF} \log \frac{[M]}{[M^{n+}]}$$

This is Nernst equation.

For pure solid -

$$E_{cell} = E^\circ_{cell} - \frac{2.303RT}{nF} \log \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]}$$

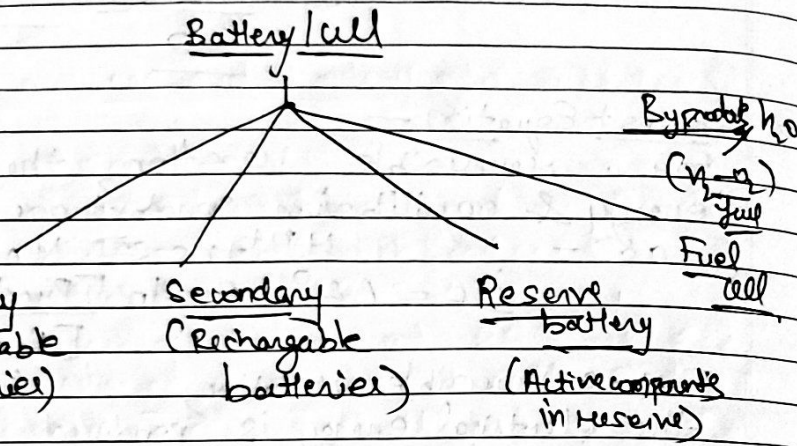
At $T = 25^\circ C$,

$$E_{cell} = E^\circ_{cell} - \frac{0.0591}{n} \log \frac{1}{[M^{n+}]}$$

Q. What is primary battery? Describe & working of dry cell or Leclanche's cell. What are the secondary batteries describe.

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* Battery - Batteries are storage devices used for storage of chemical energy & its transformation into electrical energy.

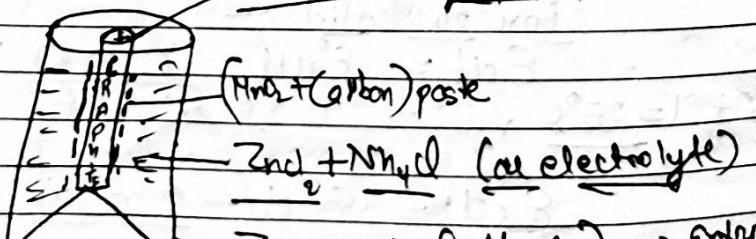


* Primary Battery -

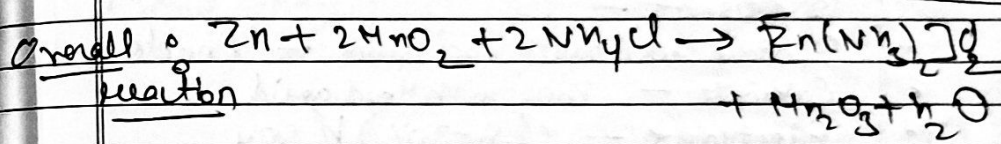
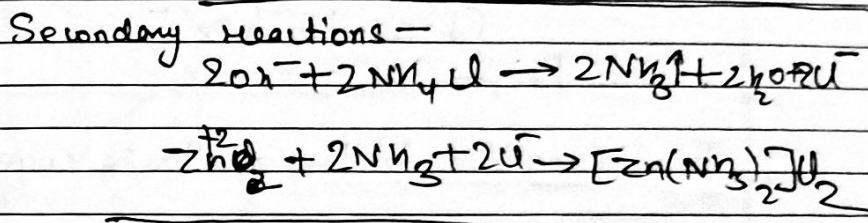
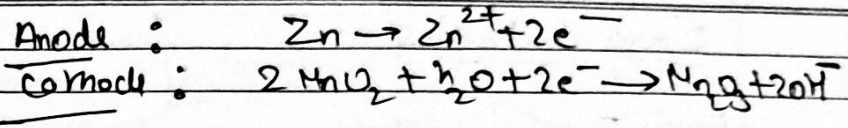
The batteries which can be used once only. Primary batteries are a source of energy till chemicals are available. Once chemical becomes exhaust that cell is of no use. The net cell reaction of these batteries are irreversible.

Example -

1. Dry cell or Leclanche's cell - (Zn- MnO_2)
Cathode (as graphite rod).



Q. Describe & working of lead-acid battery? Discuss charging & discharging reactions of lead acid battery.



→ NH_3 disturbs the cell reactions, thus Zn^{2+} added.
 Cell voltage = 1.5V

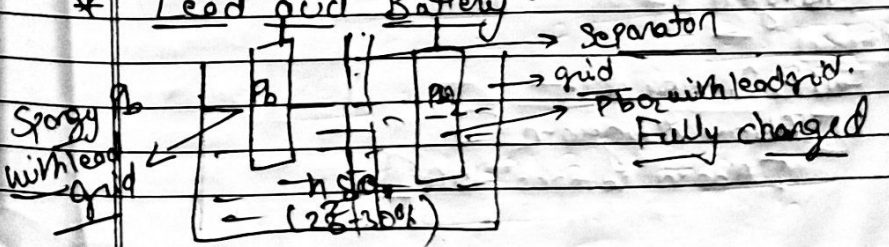
* Advantages -

- Low price
- Disadvantages -
- Non-rechargeable
- Power lost over time
- Issue of disposal.

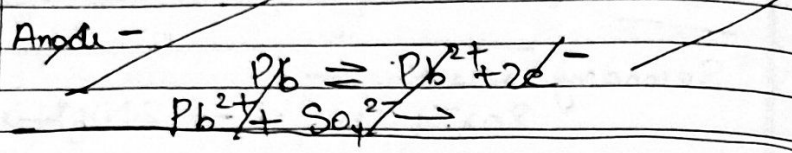
* Rechargeable cell (Secondary battery)

These batteries can be recharged once discharged, hence are known as rechargeable batteries. Net cell reactions are reversible.

* Lead acid Battery -



During discharging - / /

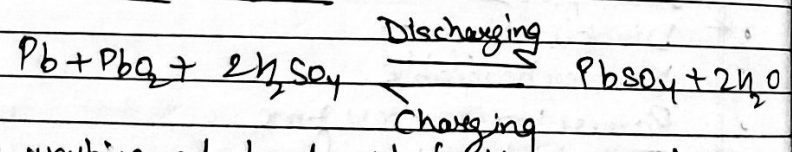


In a Lead acid battery following composition is present -

- Spongy lead with lead grid - Anode.
- Cathode - PbO_2 with lead grid
- Electrolyte - (28-30%) H_2SO_4 .

The specific gravity at $25^\circ C$ is 1.2.
 The setup of a number of cells enclosed in ebonite case. The cell voltage is 2.05-2.15V.

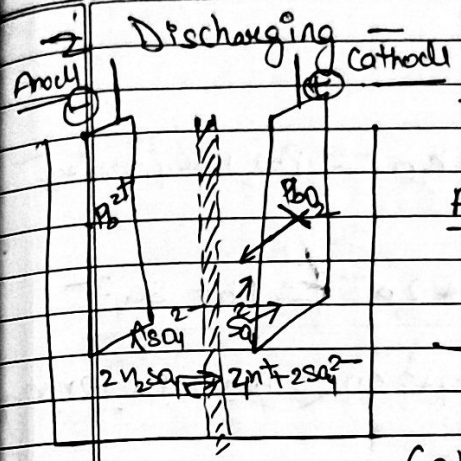
* General Reaction -



The working of lead acid battery can be explained in four cycle these are known as discharging - charging cycle.

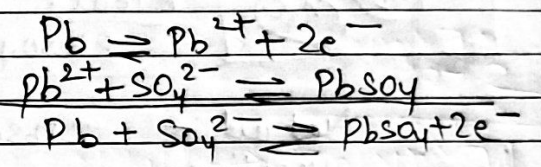
1. Fully Charged
2. Discharging
3. Fully Discharged
4. Charging

1. Fully Charged -
 [Above diagram]
 [Above composition]

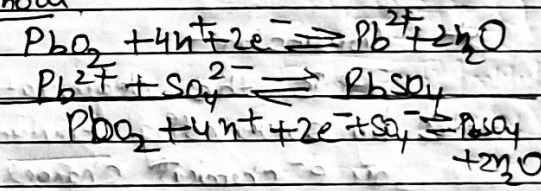


During discharging

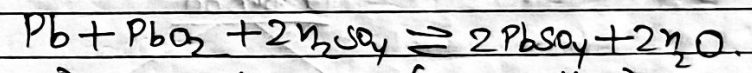
Anode -



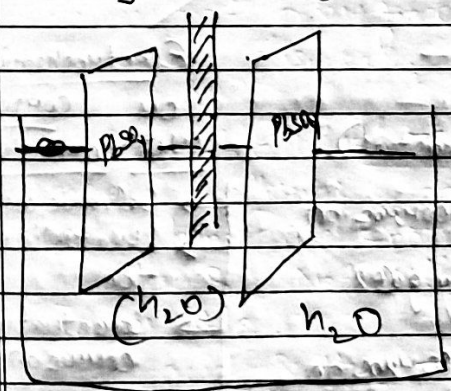
Cathode -



Net cell reaction -



3. Fully Discharged - (No reaction)

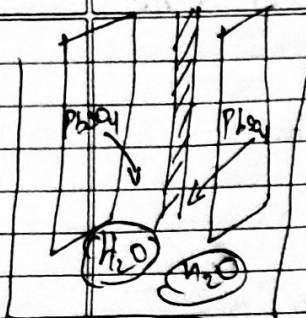


4. Charging -

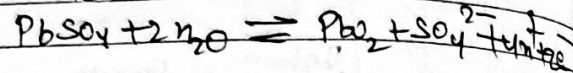
Q1. What is corrosion?

2. Describe the e-chemical theory of corrosion by suitable examples.

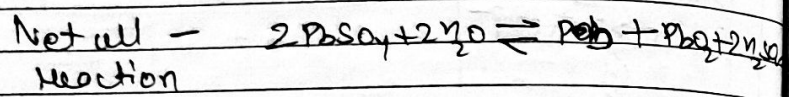
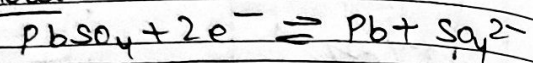
(Reverse)



Cathode:



Anode:



* Corrosion -

It is the degradation or deterioration of metals by surrounding environment through chemical or e-chemical changes.

Corrosion

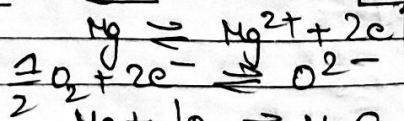
Dry corrosion

(In absence of moisture).

- Oxidative corrosion
- Corrosion by gases
- Liquid-Liquid corrosion

Examples -

• Oxidative corrosion -



Electrochemical

or Wet corrosion

- Galvanic corrosion
- Waterline corrosion
- Concentration cell corrosion (Crevice corrosion)
- Pitting corrosion
- Stress corrosion

Fatigue corrosion

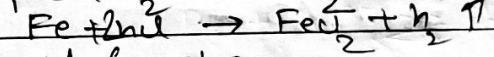
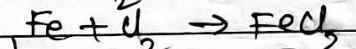
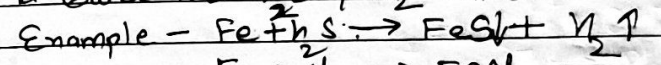
3. Describe the e-chemical theory of corrosion by rusting of iron.

4. Describe the e-chemical theory of corrosion when H₂ gets evolved in absence of O₂.

In presence of oxygen, metals form their respective metal oxides. In the form of oxide film or layer. It may be porous or non-porous.

* Corrosion by the gases -

Gas like H₂S, Cl₂ can cause corrosion.



* Liquid-Liquid Corrosion -

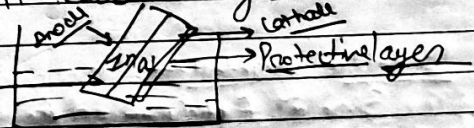
Example - alloys.

When different metals are used and one of them is in liquid form, then it leads to liquid-liquid or liquid-metal corrosion.

* Electrochemical Corrosion (Wet corrosion) -

1. Galvanic Corrosion - If two dissimilar metals are in direct contact having difference in their electrode potential, it leads to galvanic corrosion.

Example - high end power conductor



2. Waterline Corrosion -

Corrosion
Galvanic
Corrosion

5. How can corrosion can be minimized by proper selection and designing of machine.

6. Explain Sacrificial, anodic protect current / cathodic current.

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Q. What are metallic coating explain anodic & cathodic coating by suitable example.

Q. What are the factors which affect rate of corrosion.

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Electrochemical Theory of Corrosion -

It takes place when -

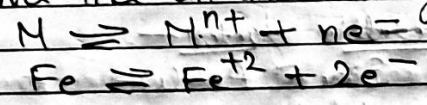
- (i) When a metal is in contact with moist air or any liquid.
- (ii) When two different metals or an alloy is in contact with a solution.

Following conditions must be fulfilled for the formation of an electrochemical cell. -

1. Presence of anode & cathode
 2. There must be an electrode potential difference between anode & cathode.
 3. Anode & cathode must be immersed in an electrically conducted medium.
 4. There must be a metallic path electrically connecting anode & cathode.
- Example - Rusting of Iron.

→ Anodic Reaction -

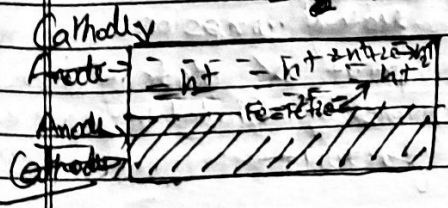
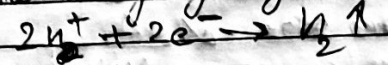
The metal having higher position in e⁻ chemical series behaves like an anode & get oxidised.



→ Cathodic Reaction -

It depends upon the medium and can be divided into two category -

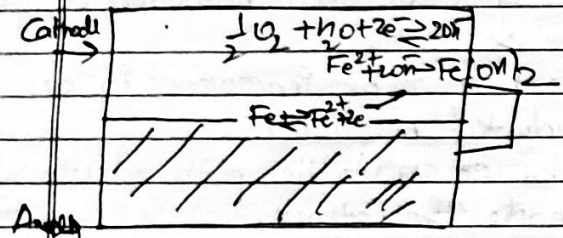
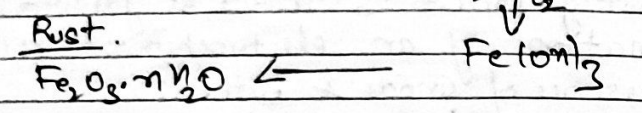
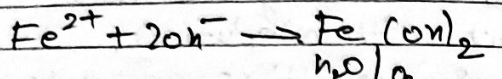
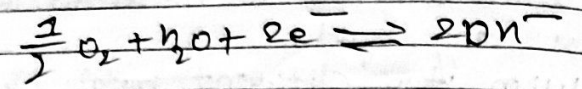
- (i) In absence of oxygen / In acidic medium /
- (ii) When evolution of hydrogen takes place.



- Q. What is corrosion? Discuss its classification with suitable examples.
- Q. What are corrosion inhibitors.
- Q. Explain anodic & cathodic inhibitors.

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2. In presence of Oxygen / In basic medium / Absorption of Oxygen.



Factors Affecting Rate of Corrosion -

1. Metallic factor
2. Environmental factor.

1. Metallic factor -

- (i) Size of Anode - Inversely related to rate of corrosion.
- (ii) Metal should have noble or less reactive.
- (iii) If two different metals are in contact combination, then difference in their electrode potential should be minimum.

(iv) Grains size \propto rate of corrosion.

(v) Stressed metallic part \propto rate of corrosion.

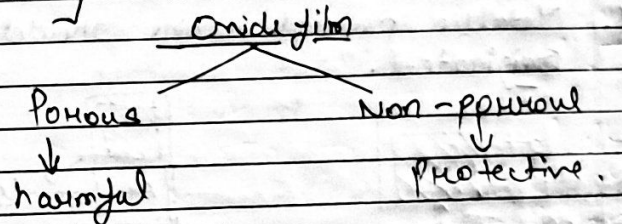
(vi) Purity of metal is inversely related to rate of corrosion.

2. Environmental factor -

Temp, Moisture content.

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- (i) Humidity is directly proportional to rate of corrosion.
- (ii) PH is inversely proportional to rate of corrosion.
- (iii) Conducting medium is directly proportional to rate of corrosion.
- (iv) Nature of Product -



* Prevention of Corrosion -
It can be prevented by following ways -

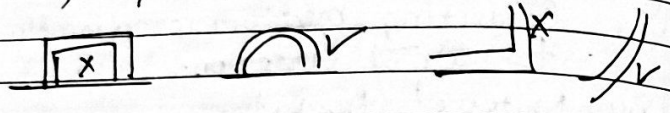
1. Proper selection & Designing
2. Protective coating
3. Cathodic & Anodic Protection
4. Corrosion Inhibitors

* Proper selection & Designing -

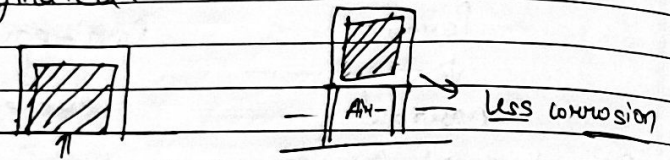
1. Design an equipment by avoiding contact between two dissimilar metals.
2. Always select pure metal.
3. Metallic grain size should be large.
4. Always design an equipment by keeping large anodic area.
5. The metal part as far as possible should be stress or strain free.
6. If dissimilar metals are used, difference in their electrode potential should be less.
7. During designing avoid sharp edges and joints.

8. Avoid following shapes -

A, L, T, V, M, N,



9. Metallic part of machine should be properly originated.



Corrosion due to less oxygen availability

* Protective Coating -
It is of three types -

- (i) Metallic coating
- (ii) Inorganic coating
- (iii) Organic coating

* Metallic Coating -

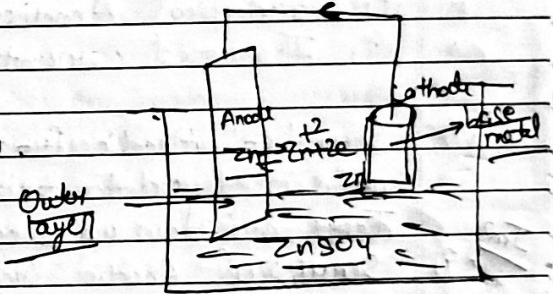
On the basis of applied metal, metallic coating are of two types -

- (i) Anodic Coating → Zn
- (ii) Cathodic Coating → Sn

Metal can be protected by applying another metal in form of coating.
If more active metal is applied over the base metal, then it is known as anodic coating, here our ^{base} metal remains protected till the last trace of the

anodic coating present.
If less active metal is used for the coating of the base metal, it is known as cathodic coating. Here, it will provide protection till the layer is continuous, once it gets ruptured or damaged then it leads to faster rate of corrosion.
Example - Galvanization → Anodic coating
Tinning → Cathodic coating
→ Metallic Coating Method -

- (i) Hot dipping
- (ii) Cladding
- (iii) Spraying
- (iv) Electroplating



* Inorganic Coating -
Inorganic coatings are non-metallic protective coatings. Some of the important inorganic coatings are as follows -
(i) Surface conversion or chemical dip coating -
(ii) It can be done by applying material chemically at the surface of base metal.
Example - Phosphate coating, Chromate coating.
(iii) Anodized Oxidized coating - These coatings are done by anodic oxidation process which leads to formation of corrosion resistant protective layer. Example - Non-ferrous metals (Aluminium, Silver, Zinc, magnesium) (base metals).

Q. A Mg strip is connected with the domestic steel (water) tank.

(P) Particulate Enamel Coating - These coatings are applied on various material.

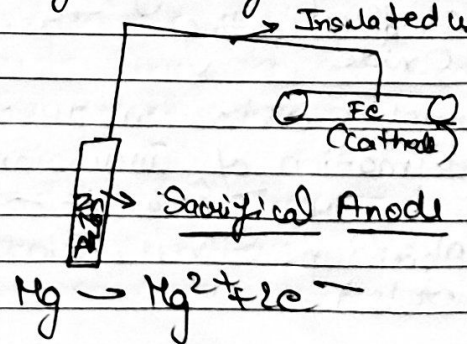
* Organic Coating -
The important function of organic coating are -
(P) To give decorative & aesthetic look.
(P) To protect the metal from corrosion.
Example - Paint, varnishes.

* Cathodic & Anodic Protection -
(P) Sacrificial Anodic Protection
(P) Impressed current cathodic protection.

(P) Sacrificial Anodic Protection - In this method, corroding metal is forced to behave like a cathode. There are two ways for this type of protection.
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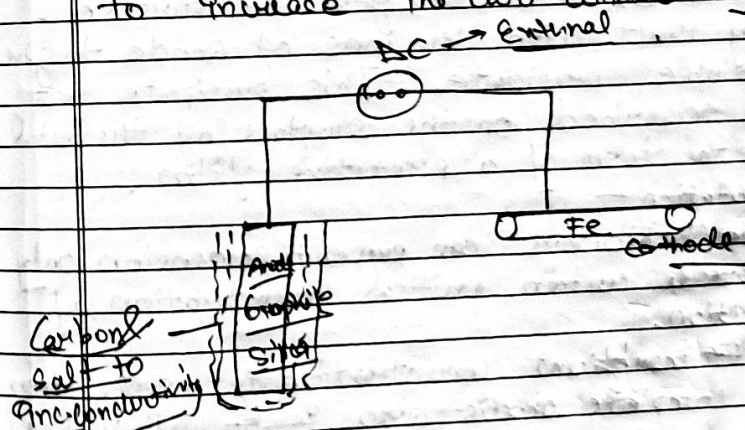
In this method, the metallic structure which is to be protected from corrosion is connected to a more anodic metal, with the help of insulating wire so that the entire corrosion get concentrated on the more active metal. This more active metal get corroded and known as sacrificial anode. The metals commonly used for sacrificial anode are Mg, Zn & Al.



Q. Explain why a Mg strip is connected with the insulated wire to the underground pipelines.
Q. Explain why Mg strip is attached with the help of insulating wire to the ship hull?

* Application -
This technique is useful for the protection of underground pipelines, underground cables & marine structure. Example -

(P) Impressed current cathodic protection - In this technique an impressed current (external) is applied in the opposite direction to the corrosion current so that the corroding metal behaves like a cathode. And this impressed current can be derived from any ^{direct} current source like battery. And to complete the circuit an inert electrode is used like graphite. The surrounding of anode should be filled with salt & carbon to increase the conductivity.



* Application -
This type of cathodic protection has been applied to water cooler, water tank, underground water distribution tower etc. It is useful when -
(P) long term protection is needed.

(P)
(PP) A large structure to be protected. Less costly source of electric power is used.

* Corrosion Inhibitors -
Corrosion Inhibitors are chemical substances which reduce the corrosion rate when added in small quantities to the corrosive environment. These are of three types -

- (P) Anodic Inhibitors
- (D) Cathodic Inhibitors
- (PP) Volatile Inhibitors or Vapour phase Inhibitors

* Anodic Inhibitors -
Alkalies, molybdates, phosphates & chromates are used for this purpose. They react with the ions of anode to give insoluble precipitate. This precipitate gets adsorbed on the surface of the metal in the form of a protective film.

• Limitation -
These inhibitors can prevent corrosion only above a certain critical concentration of solution.
• If its insufficient concentration is used, then the complete anodic area is not will not get covered hence, the left exposed part gets faster rate of corrosion.

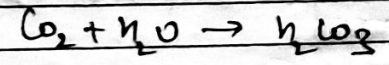
* Cathodic Inhibitors -
Organic inhibitors like amines, urea, substituted urea, thiourea & mercaptanes

are used for this purpose. They get adsorbed at cathodic surface and slow down the diffusion of ions at cathode.
• Example

* Volatile Inhibitors -
These inhibitors on sublimation forms a protective layer on the metallic surface especially these inhibitors are used in enclosed space and for delicate parts of machines.
Ex - Cyclohexyl Amine carbonate
Dicyclohexyl Dicyclohexylammonium nitrate.

* Effect of corrosion in Various Industries -
• In oil & Gas Industry -

There are no. of different type of corrosion in oil & gas industry -
1. CO₂ corrosion - (also known as Sweet corrosion)
It is the main corroding agent which can lead to pitting corrosion. Dry CO₂ is not corrosive but in presence of water, it will be corroding agent.



2. Sour Corrosion -
H₂S gas is responsible for this type of corrosion & it causes uniform pitting & step wise corrosion.

3. Oxygen Corrosion -
Dissolved oxygen in drilling fluids may cause corrosion in drill pipes.

4. Microbial Induced Corrosion - Bacterial activity can cause this type of corrosion. Bacterial action results in the production of CO₂, H₂S

& organic acids which can cause toxicity of the fluid.

5.* Stress Corrosion Cracking - In this type of corrosion, cracking in metals takes place.

• Prevention -

1. Selecting appropriate material.
2. Using inhibitors
3. Using protective coating of FBE (Fusion bonded epoxy resin) and three layer poly-olefins (LPO) → polythene & polypropylene.
4. In Vapour & Po

* In Paper & Pulp Industry -

The main corrosion contamination in paper & pulp industry is H_2S , which can cause issues in electronic circuits and computers. Heat & Chemicals are used in these industries for paper production. And the total reduced sulphur gases get produced, during the reaction which includes H_2S , mercaptane, dimethyl sulphide & other organic sulphides.

* Prevention -

- Selection of corrosion resistant material like titanium.
- Better ventilation & proper drainage system & routine coating of structural painting pipeline & equipments.

* Equipments

* In chemical processing industries (various methods)

1. Natural product separation takes place with or without assistance of chemical reactions.
2. Many products synthesize through chemical processing which are useful every day life.
3. Chemical processing also used for the manufacturing of rubber, ceramics, dyestuff, flavouring agents and explosive material.
4. During the manufacturing process most chemical processing plants use specialized equipments, having following operations -
 - (i) Air scrubbing
 - (ii) Waste water treatment
 - (iii) Demineralization
 - (iv) Blending operation
 - (v) Production Unit
 - (vi) Reagent processing.

5. Every chemical plant almost contain certain hazardous acids which are harmful to metals. Examples -

(i) Chlorine - The flow rate of liquid chlorine through steel pipe is restricted pipe to 2m/s to avoid removal of iron in the form of ferrous chloride.

(ii) Bromine - Titanium metal is not suitable for storage of liquid bromine.

(iii) Sulphuric acid - Corrosion protection of steel takes place by the formation of iron sulphate coating.

(iv) Nitrochloric acid - In general all

- Q. What is Portland Cement? Give the chemical reaction involved during setting & hardening of Portland Cement.
- Q. What is the chemical composition of Portland Cement? Draw labelled diagram of rotary cement process.

metals get corroded with acids, therefore storage tank should be coated properly and should be lined with lead. Copper is most reactive towards HCl.

(vi) Ammonia - Impurities in liquid ammonia, cause stress corrosion. Cu & Zn are very reactive towards ammonia.

(vii) Oxygen - The material suitable for liquid oxygen are nickel, aluminium alloy & copper whereas PTFE is poly tetrafluoroethylene is used as a sealant. (Teflon)

(viii) Nitrogen - Temp below 120°C is suitable for storage of hydrogen whereas at high temperature it can penetrate @ steel and leads to formation of methane, which leads to cracking of steel.

* Power Generation Industry -

In power generation industry, generally two types of corrosion are -

- (i) HTCC (High Temp Not Corrosion) 475 to 900°C
- (ii) LTCC (Low Temp Low Corrosion) 70 to 475°C

* Hot Corrosion & Erosion -

In power generation equipment, gas turbines and aircraft, it should be completely avoided to avoid failure.

In Indian power generation industries - the coal used contains high percentage of ash (10%) along with abrasive material (quartz) (30 to 40%) which can cause erosion tendency.

- Q. What is the chemical composition of Portland Cement? Draw labelled diagram of rotary cement manufacturing process & state its working.

Erosion is a type of corrosion which is caused by high fluid surface velocities in aggressive chemical environment.

* Components of power plants leads to failure due to corrosion -

1. Feed water lines
2. Steel lines
3. De-mineralized water areas
4. Coal handling areas.

* Prevention - In Power Industry -

1. Regular maintenance
2. Protective coating are useful for the respective linings.
3. We can use inhibitors and super alloys.

* Cement -

Cement is a lime waste product having adhesive & cohesive. It is used as building material. It is dirty greenish in colour & hydraulic (the property of setting & hardening with water) in nature.

* Types of Cement -

1. Natural Cement
2. Pozzolana Cement
3. Portland Cement
4. White Cement
5. Water proof cement
6. Acid-resistant cement
7. Sulphur-resistant cement.

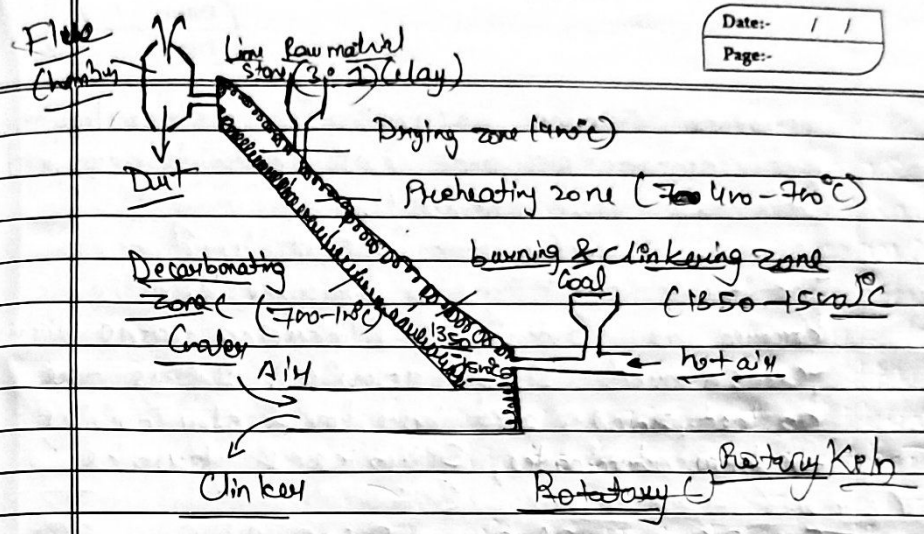
The essential constituents of cement used for construction purpose are -
 (i) Compounds of calcium
 (ii) Compounds of Aluminium with silicate.

- Imp *** Chemical Composition - (Portland cement)
- CaO - (60-70%)
 - SiO₂ - (20-24%) (Silica)
 - Aluminium - Al₂O₃ - (5-7.5%)
 - Magnesium - MgO (2-3%)
 - Ferric Oxide - (Fe₂O₃) (1-2%)
 - * Sulphur trioxide - (SO₂) (1-1.5%)
 - Sodium oxide - (Na₂O) (Amount 1%)
 - Potassium oxide - (K₂O) (1%)

* Sulphur trioxide is mixed to reduce soundness
 Soundness is the ability of hardened cement to retain its volume without destructive expansion.

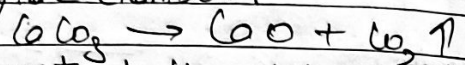
- * Manufacturing of Portland Cement -
 Raw material -
- Lime or Limestone (CaCO₃)
 - Clay (Al₂O₃ · SiO₂ · Fe₂O₃ · 2H₂O)
 - Gypsum (CaSO₄ · 2H₂O) (to reduce setting time)
 - Iron oxide (Fe₂O₃) (it gives strength & hardness to the cement)
 - Sulphur trioxide (SO₂)

It is manufactured by two ways -
 Dry process &
 Wet process.

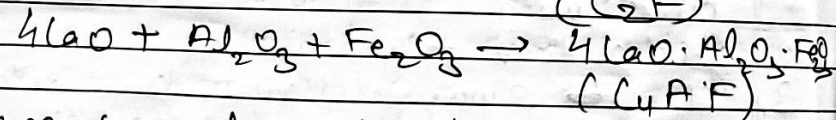
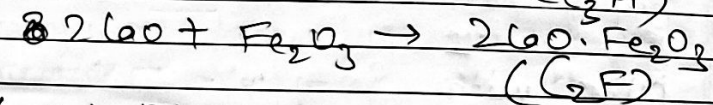
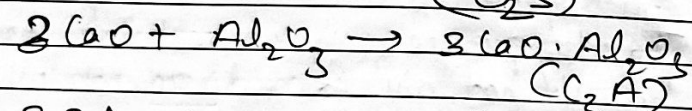
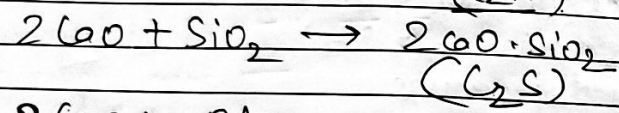
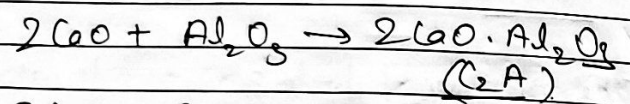


- * 1. The mixture of finely ground limestone & clay (see) is made into a thin slurry (wet process) or dry process.
2. In dry process, the raw material are dried with help of hot air & pulverized whereas in wet process pulverized raw material is mixed with 30 to 40% water and then fed to rotary kiln.
3. The ~~slurry~~ slurry of raw material enters from the upper end of the rotary kiln. This rotary kiln have different temperature zone because the burning of coal takes place at the lower end of rotary kiln.
 - (i) The upper part of rotary kiln is drying zone where temperature is around 400°C.
 - (ii) The upper central part of the kiln is known as preheating zone where temperature is around 400 to 700°C. In this zone, clay & magnesium carbonate get decomposed.
 - (iii) The lower central part of the kiln is known as decarbonating zone having 700 to 1150°C.

-perature around 900-1000°C. Here limestone get decomposed and carbon dioxide escaped through gase chamber.



The lower part of the rotary kiln is known as Burning & Clinkering zone where temp is around 1350-1500°C. It is the hottest zone. and here lime & clay combine to form aluminates, silicates & ferrites.



4.* These compounds combine together to form small hard greyish palletes known as clinker.

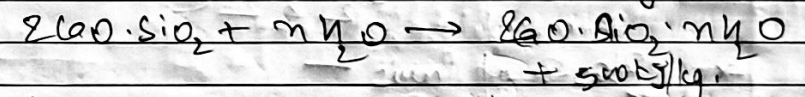
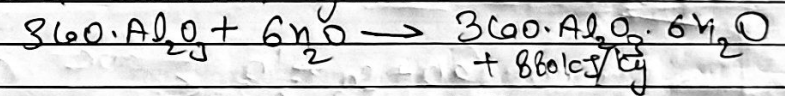
5. The hot clinker is cooled down with the help of a ^{rotary} cooler.

6. Cooled clinker is then ground with gypsum. Finest the cement, greatest will be its strength and then packaging can be done.

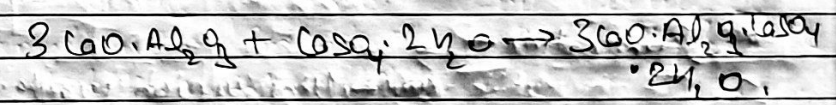
* Setting & Hardening of Cement -
Setting of cement is an exothermic process

and involves hydration of calcium aluminate & calcium silicate. When water is mixed with cement, heat is liberated & generally some initial setting takes place which is known as flash set. Setting & hardening of cement takes place due to hydration & hydrolysis.

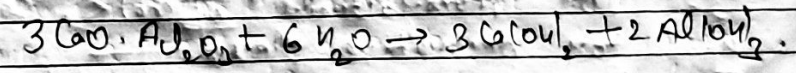
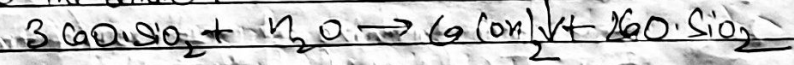
(i) Hydration - Tricalcium aluminate & Dicalcium silicate on hydration changes into colloidal gel. along with the formation of calcium hydroxide & aluminium hydroxide.



Tricalcium aluminate reacts with gypsum to form crystal of calcium sulphoaluminate.



(ii) Hydrolysis - Tricalcium silicate & aluminate on hydrolytic results in the formation of precipitate of calcium hydroxide & Aluminium hydroxide which fills the interstitial voids to give the hardening to the cement.



* Gypsum (CaSO₄ · 2H₂O) -
It is a white crystalline salt which can be prepared with the help of calcium chloride &

