

b) Batteries (VAD)

i) "Eveready" (Zinc-carbon battery)

- carbon cathode and zinc casing acts as anode
- $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl} / \text{MnO}_2$ paste inside
- carbon cathode is inert: a place for $\text{Mn}^{+4} + \text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{+2}$ to occur
- zinc anode: $\text{Zn} \rightarrow \text{Zn}^{+2} + 2\text{e}^-$
- why do batteries die?
 - E°_{cell} is initial cell voltage
 - Overtime, the redox reaction reaches equilibrium.
 - Equilibrium is when no more reactant is left or electrode gets coated with by-product.
 - In a battery, the battery dies when you run out of zinc or electrode get covered with $\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_4)_4^{+2}$
 - No zinc? No electrode access? $E^\circ_{\text{cell}} = 0 \text{ V}$

ii) "Duracell or Energizer" (Alkaline Battery)

- the same set up as the zinc-carbon battery
- except: NH_4Cl is replaced by KOH base (alkaline!!)
- lasts longer cause no $\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_4)_4^{+2}$ build up at electrodes.

iii) "Car Battery" (Lead-Acid Battery)

- anode is solid lead: $\text{Pb}_{(s)} \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{+2} + 2\text{e}^-$
- cathode is PbO_2 : $\text{Pb}^{+4} + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{+2}$
- both sit in H_2SO_4 electrolyte
- why can car batteries be *recharged*?
 - the battery dies cause of PbSO_4 buildup on the electrodes
 - "boosting" the car, sends electricity through the battery reversing the reaction!
 - $\text{PbSO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Pb}_{(s)} + \text{PbO}_{2(s)} + 2\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$

NOTE: above is a "**Disproportionation**" reaction. (the same reactant is both ox. and red.) The Pb^{+2} oxidizes to Pb^{+4} and the Pb^{+2} reduces to $\text{Pb}_{(s)}$

- why do car batteries eventually die?
 - PbSO_4 can fall off the electrodes, so it can't be made back into Pb and PbO_2

iv) Fuel Cells –see page 233 Hebden

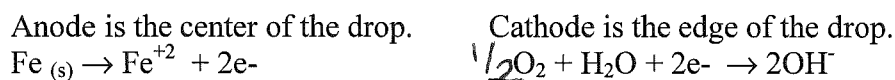
c) Corrosion (V.12)

i) What is Corrosion?

- Oxidation of metals
- "Rusting" is oxidation of iron

ii) How Does "Rusting" Occur? (See page 233-234 Hebden)

① The "electrochemical cell" is a drop of water:



- ② The Fe^{+2} reacts with the OH^- to make $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2_{(s)}$
- ③ The $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$ is then oxidized to $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3_{(s)}$ Rust!

iii) How Can we Stop Corrosion of Iron?

① *Protect the metal surface:*

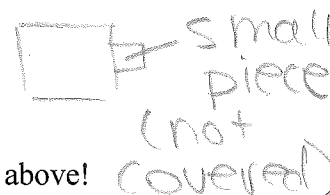
- paint
- "protective oxide" ... coat iron with a thin layer of magnesium or tin
...the Mg or Sn will oxidize, but cover the iron!
... "stainless steel" is steel with a thin SnO coat

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② *Cathodic Protection*

- attach a sacrificial anode of zinc
(or a substance more easily oxidized than iron)
- the zinc will oxidize preferentially, leaving the iron alone.
- think what we learned from the section on "Multiple Electrodes" above!



③ *Shift Reactions in Reverse*

- add OH^- or remove O_2 from the situation
- the cathode reaction above will shift to the left, decreasing oxidation!

Read through section V.11 and V.12

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