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Chapter 20

Electrochemistry

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Section 20.2 Batteries

Objectives

- Describe the structure, composition, and operation of the typical carbon-zinc dry-cell battery.
- Distinguish between primary and secondary batteries, and give two examples of each type.
- Explain the structure and operation of the hydrogenoxygen fuel cell.
- Describe the process of corrosion of iron and methods to prevent corrosion.

Review Vocabulary

reversible reaction: a reaction that can take place in both the forward and reverse directions



Section 20.2 Batteries (cont.)

New Vocabulary

<u>battery</u> <u>fuel cell</u>

<u>dry cell</u> <u>corrosion</u>

<u>primary battery</u> <u>galvanization</u>

secondary battery



Batteries are voltaic cells that use spontaneous reactions to provide energy for a variety of purposes.



Dry Cells

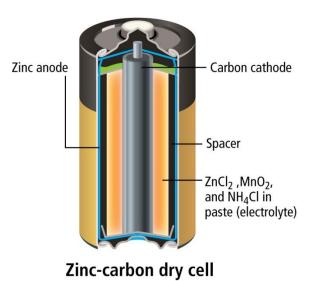
 A <u>battery</u> is one or more voltaic cells in a single package that generates electric current.





Dry Cells (cont.)

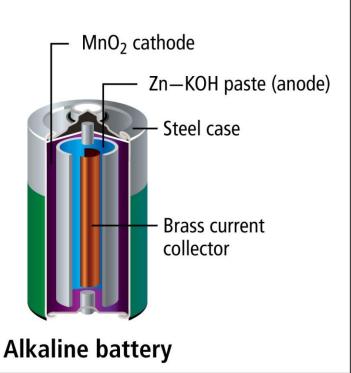
- A dry-cell is an electrochemical cell in which the electrolyte is a moist paste. The paste in a zinc-carbon cell consists of zinc chloride, manganese(IV) oxide, ammonium chloride, and a small amount of water.
- The anode is the zinc shell.
- The cathode is a carbon rod, but reduction occurs in the paste.



Dry Cells (cont.)

In the alkaline cell, zinc is in a powdered form and mixed with potassium hydroxide contained in a steel case.

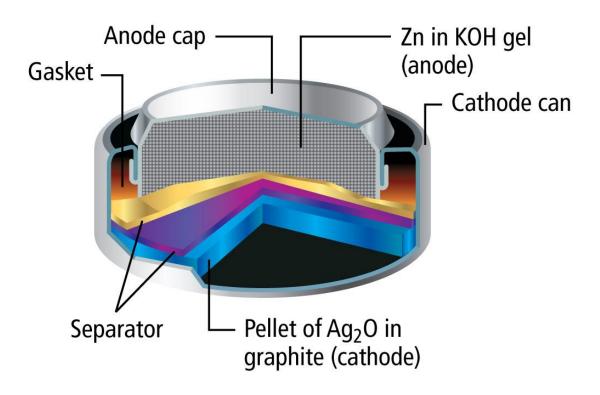
 Alkaline batteries are small and more useful in small devices.



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Dry Cells (cont.)

 Silver batteries are similar to alkaline but smaller.



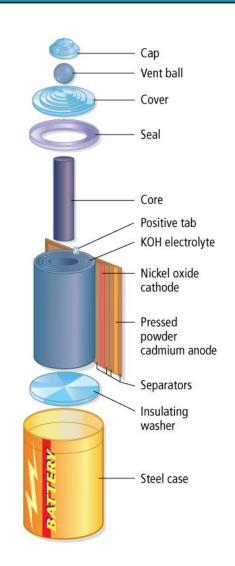
Silver button battery





Dry Cells (cont.)

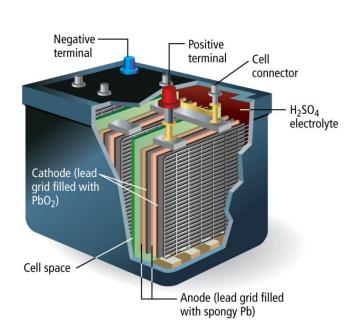
- Primary batteries produce electric energy by means of redox reaction that are not easily reversed.
- Secondary batteries depend on reversible redox reactions and are rechargeable.





Lead-Acid Storage Battery

- Lead-acid storage batteries are common in automobiles.
- The electrolyte solution is sulfuric acid, hence the name.
- The anode consists of grids of porous lead.
- The cathode consists of lead grids filled with lead(IV) oxide.





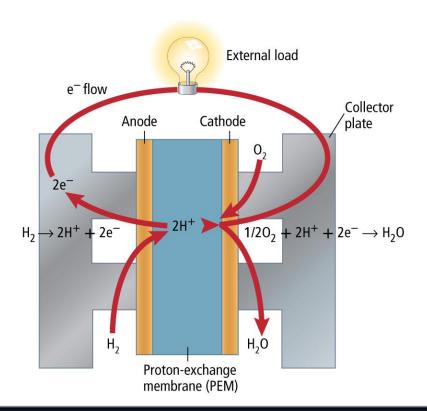
Lithium Batteries

- Lithium is the lightest known metal and has the lowest standard reduction potential of the metallic elements.
- Lithium batteries can be either primary or secondary.



Fuel Cells

A fuel cell is a voltaic cell in which the oxidation of a fuel is used to produce electric energy.





Fuel Cells (cont.)

- How a fuel cell works
 - Potassium hydroxide is often the electrolyte.
 - The oxidation half reaction

$$2H_2(g) + 4OH^- \rightarrow 4H_2O + 4e^-$$

The reduction half reaction

$$O_2(g) + 2H_2O(I) + 4e^- \rightarrow 4OH^-_{(aq)}$$

 When combined, the equation is the same as burning hydrogen in oxygen to form water.



Corrosion

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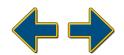
- Corrosion is the loss of metal resulting from an oxidation-reduction reaction of the metal with substances in the environment.
- Rusting begins in a chip or pit in the iron surface, which become the anode.

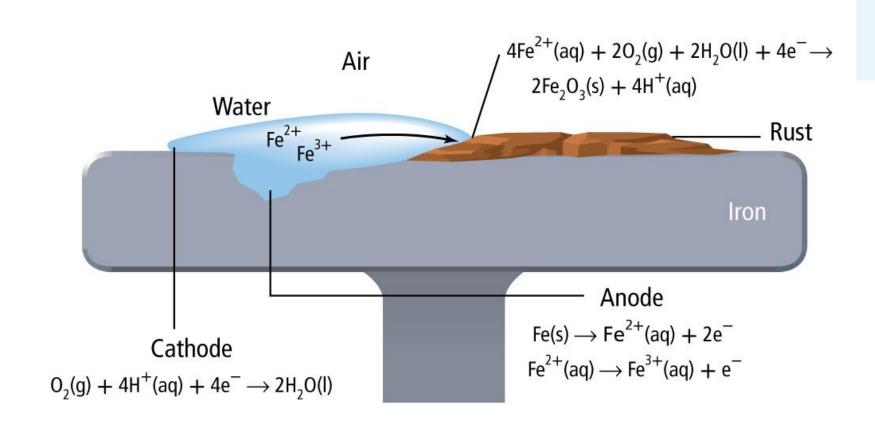
$$Fe(s) \rightarrow Fe^{2+}(aq) + 2e^{-}$$

Iron(II) becomes part of the water solution.



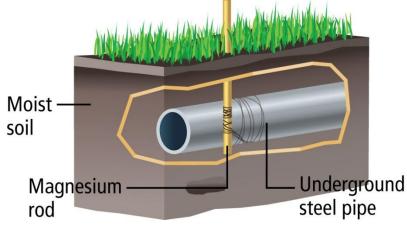
- The cathode is usually at the edge of the water drop where water, iron, and air come into contact.
- The reduction reaction is O₂(g) + 4H⁺(aq) + $4e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O(I)$.
- Next the oxidation 4Fe²⁺(aq) + 2O₂(g) + $2H_2O(I) + 4e^- \rightarrow 2Fe_2O_3(s) + 4H^+$.
- Rusting is slow, but salts speed the process.





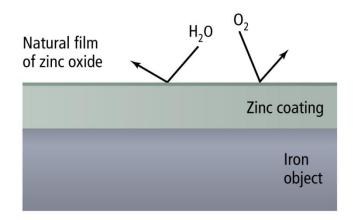


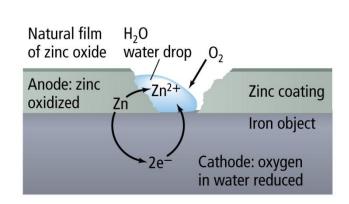
- Paint and other covers seal out moisture to prevent corrosion.
- Blocks of metal that are more easily oxidized than steel, such as magnesium, aluminum, or titanium, are often attached to the hulls of ships—they corrode while the iron in the hull is protected.





- Galvanization is the process of coating iron with a layer or zinc.
- Zinc oxidizes at the surface, creating a layer of metal-oxide that protects from further corrosion.





Galvanized object with zinc coating intact Galvanized object with zinc coating broken



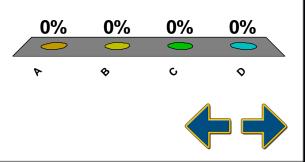
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Section 20.2 Assessment



Which type of battery has a reversible spontaneous reaction?

- A. alkaline battery
- secondary battery
- **C.** primary battery
- **D.** zinc-carbon battery



Section 20.2 Assessment



Which is NOT a method of preventing corrosion?

A. painting

- **B.** galvanization
- coating with electrolytes
 - D. sacrificial anode

