

Corrosion Data

Table 1. ELECTROCHEMICAL EQUIVALENTS

| Electrode Reaction | Electrochemical Equivalent* (grams/coulomb) | Electrode Reaction | Standard Electrode Potential, E^0 (volts), 25°C |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| $K = K^+ + e^-$ | 4.0513×10^{-4} | $Al = Al^{+++} + 3e^-$ | -1.67 |
| $Ca = Ca^{++} + 2e^-$ | 2.0767×10^{-4} | $Mn = Mn^{++} + 2e^-$ | -1.05 |
| $Na = Na^+ + e^-$ | 2.3830×10^{-4} | $Zn = Zn^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.762 |
| $Mg = Mg^{++} + 2e^-$ | 1.2600×10^{-4} | $Cr = Cr^{+++} + 3e^-$ | -0.71 |
| $Al = Al^{+++} + 3e^-$ | 0.9316×10^{-4} | $Ga = Ga^{+++} + 3e^-$ | -0.52 |
| $M = Mn^{++} + 2e^-$ | 2.8461×10^{-4} | $Fe = Fe^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.440 |
| $Zn = Zn^{++} + 2e^-$ | 3.3875×10^{-4} | $Cd = Cd^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.402 |
| $Cr = Cr^{+++} + 3e^-$ | 1.7965×10^{-4} | $In = In^{+++} + 3e^-$ | -0.340 |
| $Fe = Fe^{++} + 2e^-$ | 2.8938×10^{-4} | $Tl = Tl^+ + e^-$ | -0.336 |
| $Cd = Cd^{++} + 2e^-$ | 5.8243×10^{-4} | $Co = Co^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.277 |
| $Co = Co^{++} + 2e^-$ | 3.0539×10^{-4} | $Ni = Ni^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.250 |
| $Ni = Ni^{++} + 2e^-$ | 3.9409×10^{-4} | $Sn = Sn^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.136 |
| $Sn = Sn^{++} + 2e^-$ | 6.1502×10^{-4} | $Pb = Pb^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.126 |
| $Pb = Pb^{++} + 2e^-$ | 10.736×10^{-4} | $H_2 = 2H^+ + 2e^-$ | 0.000 |
| $Fe = Fe^{+++} + 3e^-$ | 1.9292×10^{-4} | $Cu = Cu^{++} + 2e^-$ | 0.345 |
| $H_2 = 2H^+ + 2e^-$ | 0.1045×10^{-4} | $Cu = Cu^+ + e^-$ | 0.522 |
| $Cu = Cu^{++} + 2e^-$ | 3.2937×10^{-4} | $2Hg = Hg_2^{++} + 2e^-$ | 0.799 |
| $Cu = Cu^+ + e^-$ | 6.5875×10^{-4} | $Ag = Ag^+ + e^-$ | 0.800 |
| $2Hg = Hg_2^{++} + 2e^-$ | 20.788×10^{-4} | $Pd = Pd^{++} + 2e^-$ | 0.83 |
| $Ag = Ag^+ + e^-$ | 11.180×10^{-4} | $Hg = Hg^{++} + 2e^-$ | 0.854 |
| $Hg = Hg^{++} + 2e^-$ | 10.394×10^{-4} | $Pt = Pt^{+++} + 2e^-$ | ca. 1.2 |
| $Pt = Pt^{++} + 2e^-$ | 10.115×10^{-4} | $Au = Au^{+++} + 3e^-$ | 1.42 |
| $Au = Au^{+++} + 3e^-$ | 6.8117×10^{-4} | $A = Au^+ + e^-$ | 1.68 |
| $Au = Au^+ + e^-$ | 20.435×10^{-4} | | |
| $2I^- = I_2 + 2e^-$ | 13.150×10^{-4} | | |
| $2Br^- = Br_2(l) + 2e^-$ | 8.2814×10^{-4} | | |
| $Cl^- = 1/2Cl_2 + e^-$ | 3.6743×10^{-4} | | |
| $F_2 = F_2 + 2e^-$ | 1.9689×10^{-4} | | |
| $S^{--} = S + 2e^-$ | 1.6611×10^{-4} | | |

*These values are based on the International Atomic Weights for 1941 and the value of 96,501 international coulombs per gram-equivalent for Faraday's constant.

Table 2. ELECTROMOTIVE FORCE SERIES*

| Electrode Reaction | Standard Electrode Potential, E^0 (volts), 25°C |
|-----------------------|--|
| $K = K^+ + e^-$ | -2.922 |
| $Ca = Ca^{++} + 2e^-$ | -2.87 |
| $Na = Na^+ + e^-$ | -2.712 |
| $Mg = Mg^{++} + 2e^-$ | -2.34 |
| $Be = Be^{++} + 2e^-$ | -1.70 |

*Signs of potential employed by the American Chem. Soc. are opposite to those of this table.

Table 3. STANDARD OXIDATION-REDUCTION POTENTIALS AT 25°C*, †, ‡

| Coupl. | E^0 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| $Cr^{++} = Cr^{+++} + e^-$ | -0.41 |
| $Pb + SO_4^{--} = PbSO_4 + 2e^-$ | -0.355 |
| $Pb + 2Cl^- = PbCl_2 + 2e^-$ | -0.268 |
| $Cl^- + Cu = CuCl + e^-$ | 0.124 |
| $H_2S = S + 2H^+ + 2e^-$ | 0.141 |
| $Sn^{++} = Sn^{+++} + 2e^-$ | 0.15 |
| $Cu^+ = Cu^{++} + e^-$ | 0.167 |
| $Ag + Cl^- = AgCl + e^-$ | 0.222 |
| $2Hg + 2Cl^- = Hg_2Cl_2 + 2e^-$ | 0.268 |
| $Fe(CN)_6^{4-} = Fe(CN)_5^{3-} + e^-$ | 0.36 |
| $2I^- = I_2 + 2e^-$ | 0.565 |

| Couple | E° | Couple | E° |
|--|-----------|--|-----------|
| $2\text{Hg} + \text{SO}_4^{--} = \text{Hg}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2e^-$ | 0.615 | $\text{Zn} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{ZnCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -1.07 |
| $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 = \text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 0.682 | $\text{Fe} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{FeS} + 2e^-$ | -1.00 |
| $\text{Fe}^{++} = \text{Fe}^{+++} + e^-$ | 0.771 | $\text{Pb} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{PbS} + 2e^-$ | -0.98 |
| $2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{O}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ (10^{-7}\text{M}) + 4e^-$ | 0.815 | $2\text{Cu} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{Cu}_2\text{S} + 2e^-$ | -0.95 |
| $\text{Hg}_2^{++} = 2\text{Hg}^{++} + 2e^-$ | 0.910 | $\text{Co} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{CoS}(\alpha) + 2e^-$ | -0.93 |
| $\text{HNO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{NO}_3^- + 3\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 0.94 | $\text{Fe} + 8\text{OH}^- = \text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} + 8e^-$ | -0.91 |
| $\text{NO} + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{HNO}_2 + \text{H}^+ + e^-$ | 0.99 | $\text{Fe} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -0.877 |
| $2\text{Br}^- = \text{Br}_2(l) + 2e^-$ | 1.065 | $\text{Ni} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{NiS}(\alpha) + 2e^-$ | -0.86 |
| $2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{O}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 4e^-$ | 1.229 | $\text{H}_2 + 2\text{OH}^- = 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -0.828 |
| $\text{Tl}^+ = \text{Tl}^{+++} + 2e^-$ | 1.25 | $\text{Cd} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Cd}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -0.815 |
| $\text{Mn}^{++} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 1.28 | $\text{Cd} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{CdCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -0.80 |
| $\text{Au}^+ = \text{Au}^{+++} + 2e^-$ | ca 1.29 | $\text{Sn} + 3\text{OH}^- = \text{HSnO}_2^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -0.79 |
| $\text{Cl}^- = \frac{1}{2}\text{Cl}_2 + e^-$ | 1.358 | $\text{Cu} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{CuS} + 2e^-$ | -0.76 |
| $2\text{Cr}^{+++} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{--} + 14\text{H}^+ + 6e^-$ | 1.36 | $\text{Fe} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{FeCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -0.755 |
| $\text{Pb}^{++} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{PbO}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 1.456 | $\text{Co} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Co}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -0.73 |
| $\text{Cl}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{HClO} + \text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 1.49 | $\text{Fe} + 3\text{OH}^- = \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3 + 3e^-$ | ca -0.73 |
| $\text{Mn}^{++} = \text{Mn}^{+++} + e^-$ | 1.51 | $2\text{Ag} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{Ag}_2\text{S} + 2e^-$ | -0.71 |
| $\text{Mn}^{++} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{MnO}_4^- + 8\text{H}^+ + 5e^-$ | 1.52 | $\text{Hg} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{HgS} + 2e^-$ | -0.70 |
| $\text{Ce}^{+++} = \text{Ce}^{++++} + e^-$ | 1.61 | $\text{Ni} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -0.68 |
| $\frac{1}{2}\text{Cl}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{H}^+ + \text{HClO} + e^-$ | 1.63 | $\text{Co} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{CoCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -0.632 |
| $\text{MnO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{MnO}_4^- + 4\text{H}^+ + 3e^-$ | 1.67 | $\text{S}^{--} + 6\text{OH}^- = \text{SO}_3^{--} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} + 6e^-$ | -0.61 |
| $\text{PbSO}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{PbO}_2 + \text{SO}_4^{--} + 4\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 1.685 | $\text{Pb} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{PbO}(r) + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -0.578 |
| $\text{Pb}^{++} = \text{Pb}^{++++} + 2e^-$ | 1.69 | $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2 + \text{OH}^- = \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3 + e^-$ | -0.56 |
| $\text{Ni}^{++} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{NiO}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 1.75 | $\text{Pb} + 3\text{OH}^- = \text{HPbO}_2^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -0.54 |
| $2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 1.77 | $\text{Pb} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{PbCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -0.506 |
| $\text{Co}^{++} = \text{Co}^{+++} + e^-$ | 1.84 | $\text{Ni} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{NiCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -0.45 |
| $\text{Ag}^+ = \text{Ag}^{++} + e^-$ | 1.98 | $\text{Mn}(\text{OH})_2 + \text{OH}^- = \text{Mn}(\text{OH})_3 + e^-$ | -0.40 |
| $2\text{SO}_4^{--} = \text{S}_2\text{O}_6^{--} + 2e^-$ | 2.05 | $2\text{Cu} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Cu}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -0.361 |
| $\text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{O}_3 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 2.07 | $2\text{CN}^- + \text{Ag} = \text{Ag}(\text{CN})_2^- + e^-$ | -0.29 |
| $\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{O(g)} + 2\text{H}^+ + 2e^-$ | 2.42 | $\text{Cu} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -0.224 |
| $2\text{F}^- = \text{F}_2 + 2e^-$ | 2.85 | $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3 + 5\text{OH}^- = \text{CrO}_4^{--} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3e^-$ | -0.12 |
| $\text{Mg} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -2.67 | $\text{OH} + \text{HO}_2 = \text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -0.076 |
| $\text{Al} + 4\text{OH}^- = \text{H}_2\text{AlO}_2^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 3e^-$ | -2.35 | $4\text{NH}_3 + \text{Cu} = \text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4^{++} + 2e^-$ | -0.05 |
| $\text{Al} + 30\text{H}^- = \text{Al}(\text{OH})_3 + 3e^-$ | -2.31 | $\text{Cu} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{CuCO}_3 + 2e^-$ | 0.053 |
| $\text{Mn} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Mn}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -1.47 | $\text{Hg} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{HgO}(r) + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | 0.098 |
| $\text{Zn} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{ZnS} + 2e^-$ | -1.44 | $2\text{Hg} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Hg}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | 0.123 |
| $\text{Mn} + \text{CO}^{--} = \text{Mn}_2\text{CO}_3 + 2e^-$ | -1.35 | $2\text{Hg} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{Hg}_2\text{CO}_3 + 2e^-$ | 0.32 |
| $\text{Cr} + 3\text{OH}^- = \text{Cr}(\text{OH})_2 + 3e^-$ | -1.3 | $2\text{Ag} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Ag}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | 0.344 |
| $\text{Zn} + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2 + 2e^-$ | -1.245 | $2\text{NH}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{Ag} = \text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2^+ + e^-$ | 0.373 |
| $\text{Cd} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{CdS} + 2e^-$ | -1.23 | $4\text{OH}^- = \text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4e^-$ | 0.401 |
| $\text{Zn} + 4\text{OH}^- = \text{ZnO}_2^{--} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | -1.216 | $2\text{Ag} + \text{CrO}_4^{--} = \text{Ag}_2\text{CrO}_4 + 2e^-$ | 0.446 |
| $\text{Cr} + 4\text{OH}^- = \text{CrO}_2^- + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3e^-$ | -1.2 | $2\text{Ag} + \text{CO}_3^{--} = \text{Ag}_2\text{CO}_3 + 2e^-$ | 0.47 |
| $\text{Ni} + \text{S}^{--} = \text{NiS}(\gamma) + 2e^-$ | -1.07 | | |

| Couple | E° |
|---|-------------|
| $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2 + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{NiO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | 0.49 |
| $\text{MnO}_4^- = \text{MnO}_4^- + e^-$ | 0.54 |
| $\text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{OH}^- = \text{MnO}_4^- + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3e^-$ | 0.57 |
| $\text{Cl}^- + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{ClO}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | 0.94 |
| $\text{O}_2 + 2\text{OH}^- = \text{O}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 2e^-$ | 1.24 |

* W. M. Latimer, *Oxidation Potentials*, Prentice-Hall, Inc., New York, 1938. Note that the American Chemical Society uses a convention of sign opposite to that employed here. †For metal electrode potentials, refer also to Table 2.

‡ Signs of potential employed by the American Chem. Soc. are opposite to those of this table.

Table 4. STANDARD REFERENCE ELECTRODES

$$E = E_{25}^{\circ} + \frac{dE}{dt} t$$

| Name | Cell | E_{25}° (volts) | E_{25}° (strong acids) | E_{25}° (buffers) | $\frac{dE}{dt}$ (volts/deg. C) |
|--------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 0.1 N calomel | $\text{Hg}/\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{KCl}(0.1 \text{ N})$ | 0.3337* | 0.3386† | 0.336 † | -0.7×10^{-4} |
| 1.0 N calomel | $\text{Hg}/\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{KCl} (1.0 \text{ N})$ | 0.2800* | 0.2848† | 0.2828† | -2.4×10^{-4} |
| Saturated calomel‡ | $\text{Hg}/\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{KCl} (\text{saturated})$ | 0.2415* | 0.2457† | 0.2434† | -7.6×10^{-4} |
| Silver chloride | $\text{Ag}/\text{AgCl}/\text{KCl}(0.1 \text{ N})$ | 0.2881* | ... | ... | -6.5×10^{-4} |
| Copper sulfate ‡§ | $\text{Cu}/\text{CuSO}_4/\text{CuSO}_4(\text{sat'd})$ | 0.316 | ... | ... | 9.0×10^{-4} |

* The E values so marked are true values in that they do not include liquid junction potentials.

† The E values so marked include an approximate value for the liquid junction potentials. See W. J. Hamer, *Trans. Electrochem. Soc.*, 72, 62 (1937).

‡ The E of this electrode is subject to pronounced hysteresis effects and should be used only at constant temperature.

§ S. Ewing, *The Copper-Copper Sulfate Half Cell for Measuring Potentials in the Earth*, p. 10, Committee Report, American Gas Association, 1939.

Table 5. SOLUBILITY PRODUCT CONSTANTS
AT 25°C

| Reaction | Solubility Product |
|---|------------------------|
| $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Al}^{+++} + 3\text{OH}^-$ | 1.9×10^{-38} |
| $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{AlO}_3^-$ | 4×10^{-13} |
| $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Cd}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 1.2×10^{-14} |
| $\text{CdS} = \text{Cd}^{++} + \text{S}^{--}$ | 1.4×10^{-28} |
| $\text{CdCO}_3 = \text{Cd}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 2.5×10^{-14} |
| $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Ca}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 7.9×10^{-6} |
| $\text{CaCO}_3 = \text{Ca}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | $4.82 \times 10^{-9*}$ |
| $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Ca}^{++} + \text{SO}_4^{--} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 2.4×10^{-5} |
| $\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2 = 3\text{Ca}^{++} + 2\text{PO}_4^{---}$ | 1×10^{-25} |
| $\text{CaHPO}_4 = \text{Ca}^{++} + \text{HPO}_4^{--}$ | ca 5×10^{-6} |
| $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3 = \text{Cr}^{+++} + 3\text{OH}^-$ | 6.7×10^{-31} |
| $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{CrO}_2^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 9×10^{-17} |
| $\text{Co}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Co}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 2×10^{-16} |
| $\text{CoCO}_3 = \text{Co}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 1.0×10^{-12} |
| $\frac{1}{2}\text{Cu}_2\text{O} + \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Cu}^+ + \text{OH}^-$ | 1.2×10^{-15} |
| $\text{Cu}_2\text{S} = 2\text{Cu}^+ + \text{S}^{--}$ | 2.5×10^{-50} |
| $\text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Cu}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 5.6×10^{-20} |
| $\text{CuS} = \text{Cu}^{++} + \text{S}^{--}$ | 4×10^{-38} |
| $\text{CuCO}_3 = \text{Cu}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 1.37×10^{-10} |
| $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Fe}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 1.65×10^{-15} |

| Reaction | Solubility Product |
|---|------------------------|
| $\text{FeCO}_3 = \text{Fe}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 2.11×10^{-11} |
| $\text{FeS} = \text{Fe}^{++} + \text{S}^{--}$ | 1×10^{-19} |
| $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3 = \text{Fe}^{+++} + 3\text{OH}^-$ | 4×10^{-8} |
| $\text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Pb}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 2.8×10^{-16} |
| $\text{PbO(r)} + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Pb}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 5.5×10^{-16} |
| $\text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{HPbO}_2^-$ | 2.1×10^{-16} |
| $\text{PbO(y)} + \text{OH}^- = \text{HPbO}_2^-$ | 5.31×10^{-1} |
| $\text{PbO(r)} + \text{OH}^- = \text{HPbO}_2^-$ | 4.03×10^{-2} |
| $\text{PbCl}_2 = \text{Pb}^{++} + 2\text{Cl}^-$ | 1.7×10^{-5} |
| $\text{PbCO}_3 = \text{Pb}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 1.5×10^{-13} |
| $\text{PbS} = \text{Pb}^{++} + \text{S}^{--}$ | 1.0×10^{-29} |
| $\text{PbCrO}_4 = \text{Pb}^{++} + \text{CrO}_4^{--}$ | 1.8×10^{-14} |
| $\text{PbSO}_4 = \text{Pb}^{++} + \text{SO}_4^{--}$ | 1.8×10^{-8} |
| $\text{PbO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Pb}^{++} + 4\text{OH}^-$ | 10^{-64} |
| $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Mg}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | $5.5 \times 10^{-12*}$ |
| $\text{MgCO}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Mg}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | ca $1 \times 10^{-1*}$ |
| $\text{Mn}(\text{OH})_2 = \text{Mn}^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 7.1×10^{-15} |
| $\text{MnCO}_3 = \text{MnCO}_3 = \text{Mn}^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 8.8×10^{-11} |
| $\text{MnS} = \text{Mn}^{++} + \text{S}^{--}$ | 5.6×10^{-16} |
| $\text{Hg}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Hg}_2^{++} + 2\text{OH}^-$ | 1.6×10^{-23} |
| $\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2 = \text{Hg}_2^{++} + 2\text{Cl}^-$ | 1.1×10^{-14} |
| $\text{Hg}_2\text{CO}_3 = \text{Hg}_2^{++} + \text{CO}_3^{--}$ | 9×10^{-17} |

| Reaction | Solubility Product | Reaction | Solubility Product |
|--|------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| $Hg_2SO_4 = Hg_2^{++} + SO_4^{--}$ | 6.2×10^{-7} | $Ag_2S = 2Ag^+ + S^{--}$ | 1.0×10^{-51} |
| $Hg_2S = Hg_2^{++} + S^{--}$ | 1×10^{-45} | $Ag_2CO_3 = 2Ag^+ + CO_3^{--}$ | 8.2×10^{-12} |
| $HgO + H_2O = Hg^{++} + 2OH^-$ | 1.7×10^{-26} | $Ag_2SO_4 = 2Ag^+ + SO_4^{--}$ | 1.18×10^{-5} |
| $HgS = Hg^{++} + S^{--}$ | 3×10^{-53} | $Sn(OH)_2 = Sn^{++} + 2OH^-$ | 5×10^{-26} |
| $Ni(OH)_2 = Ni^{++} + 2OH^-$ | 1.6×10^{-14} | $H_2SnO_2 = H^+ + HSnO_2^-$ | 6×10^{-18} |
| $NiCO_3 = Ni^{++} + CO_3^{--}$ | 1.36×10^{-7} | $SnS = Sn^{++} + S^{--}$ | 8×10^{-29} |
| $NiS(\alpha) = Ni^{++} + S^{--}$ | 3×10^{-21} | $Sn(OH)_4 = Sn^{++++} + 4OH^-$ | $ca 1 \times 10^{-26}$ |
| $NiS(\beta) = Ni^{++} + S^{--}$ | 1×10^{-26} | $Sn(OH)_4 + 2OH^- = Sn(OH)_5^{--}$ | 2.1×10^{-4} |
| $NiS(\gamma) = Ni^{++} + S^{--}$ | 2×10^{-26} | $Zn(OH)_2 = Zn^{++} + 2OH^-$ | 4.5×10^{-17} |
| $Pt(OH)_2 = Pt^{++} + 2OH^-$ | $ca 1 \times 10^{-35}$ | $ZnCO_3 = Zn^{++} + CO_3^{--}$ | 6×10^{-11} |
| $\frac{1}{2}Ag_2O + \frac{1}{2}H_2O = Ag^+ + OH^-$ | 2.0×10^{-8} | $ZnS = Zn^{++} + S^{--}$ | 4.5×10^{-24} |
| $AgCl = Ag^+ + Cl^-$ | 1.7×10^{-10} | | |

Table 6 Corrosive effects of some organic materials

| Material | Corrosive fraction | Note | Corrosive effect† |
|-------------------------|---|--|-------------------|
| Phenolic resins | Formaldehyde, ammonia | Mainly in form of glues and mouldings | 3 |
| Amino plastics | Formaldehyde, ammonia, formic acid, acid catalysts | Mainly adhesives, porous materials | 2-3 |
| Polyformaldehyde | Formaldehyde | Only when in contact | 0-1 |
| Polyvinyl chloride | Hydrogen chloride, some plasticisers | After breakdown by heat or radiation | 1 |
| Polyvinyl acetate | Acetic acid | In conditions supporting hydrolysis | { 1 1-2 |
| Cellulose acetate | | Dangerous mainly in curing stage | 2 |
| Epoxides | Hydrogen chloride, ammonia, catalysts, setting agents | Mainly when in contact | 1 |
| Polyesters | Maleic acid | | 0-1 |
| Hypalon | Sulphur dioxide | | |
| Teflon | | Combined corrosion and operation stress (bearings) | 0-1 |
| Teflex | | Affect copper, silver, cadmium, nickel | 1-2 |
| Rubbers | Sulphur compounds | Combined corrosion and operation stress | 1-2 |
| Polystyrene | Styrene | Putties, coatings | 0-1 |
| Oil and alkyd materials | Aliphatic acids | Aluminum in contact | 1 |
| Polyamide alkali | Alkaline fractions | Mainly in humid hot environment | { 0-3* 2-3 |
| Woods* | Acetic acid, formic acid | | |
| Plywoods | Acetic acid, formic acid, formaldehyde | | |

† 0 no effect; 1 slightly corrosive; 2 corrosive; 3 highly corrosive

* Deleterious effects depend very much on the kind of wood: oak and beech are strong corrosives but spruce, walnut and fir are almost without effect (see Tables 8 and 10)

Table 7. Composition and temperature of pickling solutions

| Metal | Composition of solution | Temperature, °C |
|------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Low-carbon steel | HCl ($d=1.17$) SnCl ₂ Sb ₂ O ₃ | 1000ml 50g 20g |
| Zinc | CH ₃ COOH (glacial) Distilled water | 50ml up to 1000ml |
| Copper and brass | H ₂ SO ₄ ($d=1.84$) Distilled water | 50ml up to 1000ml |
| Aluminium | H ₃ PO ₄ , 65% CrO ₃ Distilled water | 35ml 20g up to 1000ml |
| Cadmium | NaCN, 5% solution | 98-100 20-40 |

Table 8. Corrosive effects of organic high molecular-weight materials in (i) sealed enclosures or
(ii) by contact

| Material | Degree of corrosive effect on metal | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|
| | Fe | | Zn | | Cu | | Al | | Cd | |
| | (i) | (ii) | (i) | (ii) | (i) | (ii) | (i) | (ii) | (i) | (ii) |
| Phenolic resins ^a | 2 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Amino plastics ^a | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Polyformaldehyde | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Polycarbonates | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Polyvinyl chloride ^b | 0-1 | 1 | 0-1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Polyamide alkali | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Polyamide hydro | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Glass-reinforced polyesters | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Epoxides | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Polyethylene | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Polymethyl methacrylate | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Polystyrene ^c | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Polyvinyl acetate | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Teflon | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Teflex | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Cellulose acetate | 1 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Rubbers ^c | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Paints oil | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Epoxide ^c | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Melamine alkyd ^c | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Woods: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oak | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Beech | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Chestnut | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Birch | 1-2 | 1-2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Fir | 0-1 | 0-1 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Walnut | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Elm | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Corrosive effect: 0, none; 1, slightly corrosive; 2, corrosive; 3, highly corrosive

^a There are differences in the corrosive effect between individual phenolic resins and amino plastics.

^b The corrosive effect of some plasticised PVC materials and especially of paint was noticed after preliminary irradiation by u. v. - or ν -radiation

^c The corrosive effect is most intense during the curing period.

^d Styrene after adsorption and eventual pyrolysis causes depreciation of contact surfaces.

^e With packing materials, in addition to the effect of adhesives, the influence of binders or intermediate layers should be taken into consideration.

Table 9. Aggressive ions present in corrosion products found on zinc

| Test conditions | Amount of aggressive ion found on zinc, % | | | |
|---|---|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| | NH ₄ ⁺ | Cl ⁻ | CH ₃ COO ⁻ | HCOO ⁻ |
| Corrosion in sealed enclosure at 100% R.H., 35°C, with metal and phenolic resin 30 mm apart | 0.02 | 0.013 | 0.015 | 0.015 |
| As above, but 5 mm apart | 0.05 | 0.015 | 0.55 | 1.1 |
| Corrosion when in contact, 100% R.H., 35°C | 0.23 | 0.015 | 0.29 | 0.60 |
| Corrosion when in contact with passage of d.c. current, 98% R.H., 30°C | 0.50 | 6.0 | 0.30 | 0.80 |

Table 10. Losses of metal by corrosion stimulated by rubber (i) in sealed enclosures and (ii) by direct contact

| Rubber | Corrosion loss of metal, μm | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | Fe | | Cu | | Zn | | Al |
| | (i) | (ii) | (i) | (ii) | (i) | (ii) | (i) |
| Natural rubber, uncoloured | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.09 | 0.43 | 0.07 | 0.05 |
| Natural rubber, carbon black | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.08 | 1.38 | 0.28 | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| Butadiene/styrene mixture, uncoloured | 0.13 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.65 | 0.31 | 0.07 | 0.10 |
| Butadiene/styrene mixture, carbon black | 0.11 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 2.50 | 0.19 | 0.08 | 0.06 |
| Chloroprene mixture, uncoloured | 0.08 | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.21 | 0.05 | 0.08 |
| Chloroprene mixture, carbon black | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.36 | 0.05 | 0.11 |
| Isobutylene/isoprene mixture, uncoloured | 0.10 | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.37 | 0.24 | 0.06 | 0.10 |
| Isobutylene/isoprene mixture, carbon black | 0.30 | 0.05 | 0.20 | 0.78 | 0.20 | 0.04 | 0.04 |
| Ethylene/propylene mixture, light | 0.04 | 0.62 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.09 | 0.04 |
| Ethylene/propylene mixture, carbon black | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.38 | 0.06 | 0.07 |

Table 11. Corrosivity of various organic materials

| Material | Treatment | Severity of corrosion | Volatile identified |
|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Woods | | | |
| (a) oak and sweet-chestnut (and certain other woods especially certain Australian and tropical woods) containing free acetic acid in the natural state | air-drying at ambient temperatures (natural seasoning) | very corrosive | acetic acid |
| (b) other than (a) above | air-drying at ambient temperatures (natural seasoning) | non-corrosive to slightly corrosive (may become more corrosive on exposure to hot e.g. tropical wet conditions) | |
| (c) all woods | kiln dried, steam treated, force dried after aqueous impregnation (rot-and fire-proofed), hot bonded | moderately to very corrosive | acetic acid, formic acid and traces of higher acids |
| 2. Plastics | | | |
| (a) nylon, polystyrene, polyethylene, polypropylene, polycarbonates, epoxides, PVC (at ambient temperatures), polyurethanes, formaldehyde condensation polymers | correctly formulated (fully cured, where appropriate) containing only 'inert' fillers (wood-flour fillers and undercured formaldehyde condensation polymers may be very corrosive) | non-corrosive | |
| (b) polyesters | cured at ambient conditions with peroxide catalysts | moderately to very corrosive | formic acid, usually acetic acid sometimes traces of higher acid |

| Material | Treatment | Severity of corrosion | Volatiles indentified |
|--|--|---|--|
| (c) polyesters | cured with non-oxidising catalysts e.g. gamma radiation | non-corrosive | |
| (d) polyesters | hot curing | non-corrosive to moderately corrosive | mainly formic acid |
| (e) polyvinyl acetate e Polyvinyl acetate | without additives | moderately to very corrosive | acetic acid |
| (g) polyformaldehyde (acetate groups as end stoppers') | with stabilisers and inhibitors | non-corrosive | formic acid |
| (h) polyformaldehyde (co-polymerised with 10% ethylene oxide) | | slightly corrosive at ambient temperature conditions. moderately corrosive at higher temperatures (>40°C) non-corrosive at ambient temperature temperatures. slightly corrosive at higher temperatures (>45°C) | formic acid |
| 3. Rubbers | | | |
| (a) non-vulcanised | | slightly corrosive on prolonged exposure (some have been shown to oxidise on exposure) | formic acid and acetic acid |
| (b) vulcanised | | slightly corrosive | hydrogen sulphide and sulphur dioxide |
| (c) synthetic | fully cured | non-corrosive | |
| (d) polysulphide rubber | cured with added peroxide catalysts (e.g. PbO ₂) at ambient temperatures | moderately corrosive | formic acid |
| (e) silicon rubbers with solvent, as sealants | | non-corrosive to very corrosive (the solvent is frequently free acetic acid much of which may be retained) | acetic acid, esters |
| 4. Paints and Lacquers | | | |
| (a) oleo-resinous type | | | |
| (i) air-drying (inert pigments) | freshly applied i.e. up to 10 days after application | moderately to very corrosive | formic acid, and other low molecular weight carboxylic acids and aldehydes |
| (ii) air-drying (inert pigments) | after 19 days or more (up to at least 18 months) air-drying | slightly to moderately corrosive | formic acid |
| (iii) air-drying, containing certain neutralising pigments e.g. zinc oxide, calcium plumbate | | non-corrosive under most conditions | |
| (iv) stoving paints | | slightly to moderately corrosive | formic acid, traces of other acids |
| (b) air-drying solvent paints | | | |
| (i) chlorinated rubber in hydrocarbon solvent | | normally non-corrosive but may become corrosive after exposure to ultra-violet radiation or prolonged storage at elevated temperatures | hydrogen chloride |
| (ii) cyclised rubber in hydrocarbon solvent | | non-corrosive | |
| (iii) emulsion, based on polyvinyl acetate | | non-corrosive to moderately | acetic acid |
| (iv) nirocellulose | solvent fully removed (typically after 2 weeks) | corrosive | |
| (v) shellac | | non-corrosive | |
| (vi) acrylics, solvent based | solvent fully removed (with thick films and certain solvents this may be up to 2 months) | non-corrosive | |
| (vii) two-pack epoxides and polyurethanes | solvent fully removed (typically after 2 weeks) | non-corrosive | |
| (c) synthetic stoving paints (epoxides, formaldehyde condensation polymers) | fully cured | non-corrosive | |

| Material | Treatment | Severity of corrosion | Volatiles identified |
|--|-------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 5. <i>Adhesives</i> | | | |
| (i) animal, vegetable and natural resin glues (e.g. casein, starch, shellac) | | non-corrosive | |
| (ii) elastomeric in hydrocarbon solvent | | non-corrosive to slightly corrosive | formic acid, acetic acid |
| (iii) elastomeric, containing ester solvents | | moderately corrosive | acetic acid, esters |
| (iv) based on formaldehyde condensation polymers | fully cured | non-corrosive to very corrosive (cold cured resins are frequently catalysed by volatile acids; during curing, acidic volatiles evolved are frequently absorbed by the materials bonded) | formic acid and other volatiles |
| (v) based on epoxides | | non-corrosive | |
| 6. <i>Fabrics</i> | | | |
| (i) untreated | | non-corrosive | |
| (ii) rot-proofed or moth-proofed | | non-corrosive to moderately corrosive (these treatments are frequently preceded by a conditioning rinse in formic acid or acetic acid solution) | formic acid, acetic acid |

Table. 12. Corrosion of metals by acetic and formic acid vapours at 30°C and 100% r. h. for 3 weeks.

Table 13. Corrosion of cadmium, zinc and steel by formaldehyde and propionic acids at 100% r. h. and 30°C for 3 weeks

| | Corrosion in air space, g/dm ³ | | | | | | |
|------------|---|-------|------------------------|------|----------------------|------|------------------|
| | Formaldehyde, vol.-% | | Propionic acid, vol.-% | | Butyric acid, vol.-% | | Control(no-acid) |
| | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.10 | |
| Zinc | 0.05 | 3.50 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.01 |
| Cadmium | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 1.13 | 0.08 | 0.20 | 0.01 |
| Mild steel | 0.01 | 0.002 | 0.30 | 3.20 | 0.13 | 1.60 | 0.01 |

Table 14. Corrosion of electrodeposited alloy coatings (10 μm) on steel by acetic acid at 100% e. h. and 30°C for 3 weeks

| Coating | Attack on plated steel specimens, g/dm ² | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---|-------|--------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | Solution Vol.-% | Nil | 0.0001 | 0.001 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.70 | 1.0 |
| | ppm in air | Nil | 0.005 | 0.05 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 3.5 | 5.0 | 20 | 35 | 50 |
| Mn | | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.5 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Mn/Se(99:1) | | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.17 | 0.33 | * | * | * |
| Mn/Zn(35:65) | | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.50 | 0.66 | * | * | * | * | * |
| Zn | | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.25 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Zn/Fe(60:40) | | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.51 | * | * | * | 0.53 | * | * |
| Zn/Ni(84:16) | | 0.005 | 0.01 | 0.008 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.20 | 0.21 | 0.35 | 0.51 | 0.68 |
| Zn/In(76:24) | | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Cd | | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.09 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Cd/In(48:52) | | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.30 | * | * | * | * | * |
| Cd/Sn(70:30) | | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.18 | 0.35 | 0.56 | 0.64 | 0.60 | 0.69 |

*coating corroded away completely

Table 15. Corrosion of nickel/chromium duplex coatings on steel sand brass by acetic and formic acid vapours at 100% r. h. and 30°C for 3 weeks

| Coating thickness, μm | Attack on plated steel and copper specimens, g/dm ² | | | |
|------------------------------|--|-------|--|--------|
| | *Nickel/chromium duplex coating on steel | | *Nickel/chromium duplex coating on brass | |
| | 10 | 20 | 7.5 | 15 |
| Acetic acid solution | | | | |
| 0.01 vol.-% (0.5 ppm in air) | 0.01 | 0.001 | 0.0007 | — |
| 0.1 vol.-% (5.0 ppm in air) | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.002 | 0.0005 |
| Formic acid solution | | | | |
| 0.01 vol.-% (0.6 ppm in air) | 0.02 | 0.005 | 0.001 | 0.0007 |
| 0.10 vol.-% (6.0 ppm in air) | 0.28 | 0.06 | 0.004 | 0.002 |

*Plated to B. S. 1224 : 1965