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## **APPENDICES**

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## APPENDIX A

### CALCULATION OF CATALYST PREPARATION

#### **Anode Catalyst**

*Molecular weight*

|  |        |         |
|--|--------|---------|
| Sm   | 150.36 | g/g mol |
| Al   | 26.98  |         |
| O  | 16.00  |         |
| N  | 14.00  |         |
| $\text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 444.35 |         |
| $\text{Al}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 374.97 |         |

*Catalyst :  $\text{Sm}_{1.8}\text{Al}_{0.2}\text{O}_3$*

|            |                                       |         |
|------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Mw         | 324.04                                | g/g mol |
| Sm content | $150.36 \cdot 1.8 / 324.04 \cdot 100$ |         |
|            | = 83.5                                | %wt     |
| Al content | $26.98 \cdot 0.2 / 324.04$            |         |
|            | = 1.7                                 | %wt     |

*Catalyst weight: based on 2 g*

|  |                                     |   |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| $\text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | $2 \cdot 0.835 / (150.36 / 444.35)$ |   |
|  | = 4.94                              | g |
| $\text{Al}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | $2 \cdot 0.017 / (26.98 / 374.97)$  |   |
|  | = 0.46                              | g |

## Cathode Catalyst

*Molecular weight*

|  |       |         |
|--|-------|---------|
| La   | 138.9 | g/g mol |
| Sr   | 87.62 |         |
| Mn   | 54.94 |         |
| O  | 16.00 |         |
| N  | 14.00 |         |
| $\text{La}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 432.9 |         |
| $\text{Sr}(\text{NO}_3)_2$                           | 211.6 |         |
| $\text{Mn}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | 312.9 |         |

*Catalyst :  $\text{La}_{0.8}\text{Sr}_{0.2}\text{MnO}_3$*

|            |                                      |         |
|------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Mw         | 231.58                               | g/g mol |
| La content | $138.9 \cdot 0.8 / 231.58 \cdot 100$ |         |
|            | = 50.0                               | %wt     |
| Sr content | $87.62 \cdot 0.2 / 231.58 \cdot 100$ |         |
|            | = 7.6                                | %wt     |
| Mn content | $54.94 / 231.58 \cdot 100$           |         |
|            | = 23.7                               | %wt     |

*Catalyst weight: based on 2 g*

|  |                                   |   |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| $\text{La}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | $2 \cdot 0.50 / (138.9 / 432.9)$  |   |
|  | = 3.11                            | g |
| $\text{Sr}(\text{NO}_3)_2$                           | $2 \cdot 0.076 / (87.62 / 211.6)$ |   |
|  | = 0.38                            | g |
| $\text{Mn}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | $2 \cdot 0.237 / (54.94 / 312.9)$ |   |
|  | = 2.70                            | g |

## APPENDIX B

### CALCULATION OF SPECIFIC SURFACE AREA

From Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) equation

$$\frac{p}{n(1-p)} = \frac{1}{n_m C} + \frac{(C-1)p}{n_m C} \quad (B.1)$$

Where,  $p$  = Relative partial pressure of adsorbed gas,  $P/P_0$

$P_0$  = Saturated vapor pressure of adsorbed gas in the condensed state at the experimental temperature, atm

$P$  = Equilibrium vapor pressure of adsorbed gas, atm

$n$  = Gas adsorbed at pressure  $P$ , ml. at the NTP/g of sample

$n_m$  = Gas adsorbed at monolayer, ml. at the NTP/g of sample

$C$  =  $\text{Exp} [(H_C - H_l)/RT]$

$H_C$  = Heat of condensation of adsorbed gas on all other layers

$H_l$  = Heat of adsorption into the first layer

Assume  $C \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p}{n(1-p)} &= \frac{p}{n_m} \\ n_m &= n(1-p) \end{aligned} \quad (B.2)$$

The surface area,  $S$ , of the catalyst is given by

$$S = S_b \times n_m \quad (B.3)$$

From the gas law

$$\frac{P_b V}{T_b} = \frac{P_t V}{T_t} \quad (B.4)$$

Where,  $P_b$  = Pressure at  $0^\circ\text{C}$

$P_t$  = Pressure at  $t^\circ\text{C}$

$T_b$  = Temperature at  $0^\circ\text{C} = 273.15 \text{ K}$

$T_t$  = Temperature at  $t^\circ\text{C} = 273.15 + t \text{ K}$

$V$  = Constant volume

Then,  $P_b = (273.15/T_t) \times P_t = 1 \text{ atm}$

Partial pressure

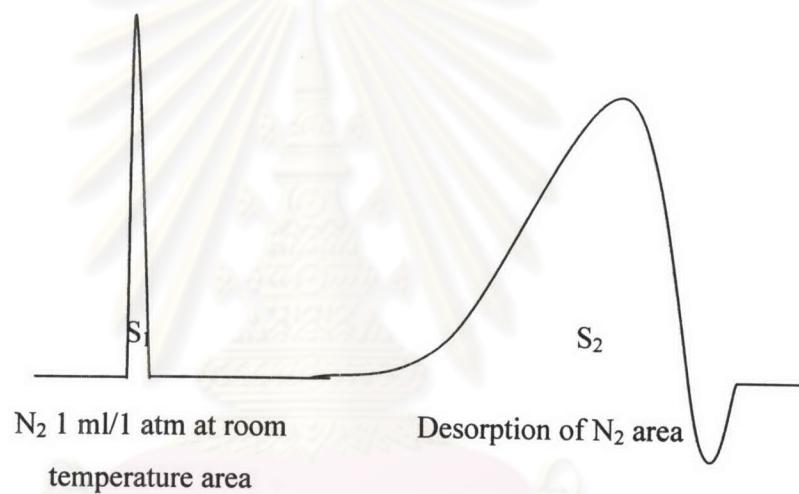
$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{[\text{Flow of } (\text{He} + \text{N}_2) - \text{Flow of He}]}{\text{Flow of } (\text{He} + \text{N}_2)} \\ &= 0.3 \text{ atm} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.5})$$

For nitrogen gas, the saturated vapor pressure equals to

$$P_0 = 1.1 \text{ atm}$$

$$\text{then, } p = P/P_0 = 0.3/1.1 = 0.2727$$

To measure the volume of nitrogen adsorbed,  $n$



$$n = \frac{S_2}{S_1} \times \frac{1}{W} \times \frac{273.15}{T} \text{ ml./g of catalyst} \quad (\text{B.6})$$

Where,  $S_1 = \text{N}_2 1 \text{ ml}/1 \text{ atm at room temperature area}$

$S_2 = \text{Desorption of N}_2 \text{ area}$

$W = \text{Sample weight, g}$

$T = \text{Room temperature, K}$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} n_m &= \frac{S_2}{S_1} \times \frac{1}{W} \times \frac{273.15}{T} \times (1-p) \\ n_m &= \frac{S_2}{S_1} \times \frac{1}{W} \times \frac{273.15}{T} \times 0.7272 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B2.1})$$

Whereas, the surface area of nitrogen gas from literature equal to

$$S_b = 4.373 \text{ m}^2/\text{ml of nitrogen gas}$$

Then,

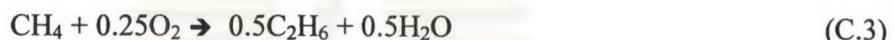
$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{S_2}{S_1} \times \frac{1}{W} \times \frac{273.15}{T} \times 0.7272 \times 4.343 \\ S &= \frac{S_2}{S_1} \times \frac{1}{W} \times \frac{273.15}{T} \times 3.1582 \text{ m}^2/\text{g} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.7})$$

## APPENDIX C

### CALCULATION OF THEORETICAL VOLTAGE

#### **Involving Reactions**

Based on 1 mol CH<sub>4</sub>



#### **Gibb's Free Energy of Formation, kJ/mol**

At 1173 K

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| CO <sub>2</sub>               | -396.4  |
| CO                            | -212.0  |
| C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> | 148.24  |
| C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> | 133.19  |
| C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> | 214.84  |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> | 312.31  |
| CH <sub>4</sub>               | 38.34   |
| H <sub>2</sub> O              | -182.96 |
| O <sub>2</sub>                | 0.0     |

#### **Calculation**

Gibb's free energy change of Eqa. (C.4)

$$\Delta G_{1173\text{ K}} = 0.5 * 133.19 - 182.96 - 38.34 = -154.71 \text{ kJ/mol CH}_4$$

| Equation | $\Delta G_{f\text{1173 K}}$ | Selectivity, % | $\Delta G_{1173 \text{ K}} * \text{Selectivity}/100$ |
|----------|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| C.1      | -800.67                     | 4.9            | -99.03   |
| C.2      | -616.27                     | 16.1           | -39.19   |
| C.3      | -55.70                      | 6.9            | -3.84  |
| C.4      | -154.71                     | 10.7           | -16.52   |
| C.5      | -149.69                     | 4.5            | -6.71  |
| C.6      | -143.23                     | 5.5            | -7.94  |

| Equation | n    | Selectivity, % | n * Selectivity/100 |
|----------|------|----------------|---------------------|
| C.1      | 2    | 4.9            | 0.24                |
| C.2      | 1.5  | 16.1           | 0.10                |
| C.3      | 0.25 | 6.9            | 0.02                |
| C.4      | 0.5  | 10.7           | 0.05                |
| C.5      | 0.5  | 4.5            | 0.02                |
| C.6      | 0.5  | 5.5            | 0.03                |

Theoretical voltage, V (or J/coulomb)

$$\begin{aligned} E_{1173 \text{ K}} &= -\Delta G_{1173 \text{ K, average}}/4n_{\text{average}}F \\ &= -(-99.03 - 39.19 - 3.84 - 16.52 - 6.71 - 7.94) * 1000 \end{aligned}$$

$$4 * (0.24 + 0.1 + 0.02 + 0.05 + 0.02 + 0.03) * 96500$$

$$= 0.976 \text{ V}$$

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