# Aghh-My Iphone Battery Is Dead!!!!

Everything you ever needed to make Chemical Car Battery



# What Do We Already Know?

- Atoms and molecule can have positive or negative charge
- Periodic Table Trends:
  - 1. Columns 1 and 2: Atoms try to lose electrons
  - 2. Columns 6 and 7: Atoms try to gain electrons

#### New Terms For This Week

- Oxidation
- Reduction
- RedOx Rxn
- Voltage Potential

# What Do We Need To Know For Making A Battery Car?

- How do the chemical reactions work within a cell?
- How do cells relate to batteries?
- Best battery approach for the chemical cars?



2016 Corvette 650 HP: 0-60 mph: 3.3 sec ¼ mile time: 11.3 sec (max speed 128 mph)

2016 Tesla (Insane mode): 0-60 mph: 3.1 sec ¼ mile time: 11.6 sec (max speed 115 mph)

KillaCycle: 0-60 mph: *less than 1 sec* ¼ mile time: 7.9 sec (max speed of 168 mph)

## Terminology:

- Oxidation: e<sup>-</sup> are removed from a species
  - Ca(s)  $\rightarrow$  Ca<sup>+2</sup> (aq.) + 2e<sup>-</sup> E: 2.87V (High Voltage Potential)
  - Sn(s)  $\rightarrow$  Sn<sup>+2</sup> (aq.) + 2e<sup>-</sup> E: 0.13V (Low Voltage Potential)

- Reduction: e<sup>-</sup> are accepted by a species.
  - $F_2(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2F^-(aq)$  E: 2.87V (High Voltage Potential)
  - AgBr(s) +  $e^ \rightarrow$  Ag(s) + Br<sup>-</sup> (aq) E: 0.07V (Low Voltage Potential)

# Terminology/Example

## • <u>Redox Rxn:</u>

- Done in solution (typically H<sub>2</sub>0)
- Combination of a reduction AND oxidation reactions

Strongly Favorable Reaction Oxidation: Ca(s)  $\rightarrow$  Ca<sup>+2</sup> (aq.) + 2e<sup>-</sup> Voltage Potential: 2.87V Reduction: F<sub>2</sub> (aq) + 2e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  2 F<sup>-</sup> (aq) Voltage Potential: 2.87V Redox Rxn: F<sub>2</sub> (aq) + Ca(s)  $\rightarrow$  2 F<sup>-</sup> (aq) + Ca<sup>+2</sup> (aq) V. Pot.: 5.74V Favorable Reaction #1Oxidation:2 Li (s)  $\rightarrow$  2 Li<sup>+</sup> (aq) + 2 e<sup>-</sup>Voltage Potential:3.0 VReduction:Cu<sup>+2</sup> (aq)+ 2 e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  Cu(s)Voltage Potential:0.3V

Redox Rxn: 2 Li (s) + Cu<sup>+2</sup> (aq)  $\rightarrow$  2 Li<sup>+</sup>(aq) + Cu(s) <u>Volt. Pot.: 3.3V</u>

Favorable Reaction #2Oxidation:2 K (s)  $\rightarrow$  2 K<sup>+</sup>(aq) + 2 e<sup>-</sup>Voltage Potential:2.9 VReduction:Sn<sup>+2</sup> (aq) + 2 e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  Sn(s)Voltage Potential:-0.1V

Redox Rxn: 2 K (s) + Sn<sup>+2</sup> (aq)  $\rightarrow$  2K<sup>+</sup>(aq) + Sn(s) Volt. Potential: 2.8V

# Example

# Unfavorable Reaction Oxidation: $2 F^{-}(aq) \rightarrow F_{2}(aq) + 2 e^{-}$ Voltage Potential: -2.87V Reduction: $2 Na^{+}(aq) + 2 e^{-} \rightarrow 2 Na(s)$ Voltage Potential: 2.71V

#### Redox Rxn: 2 F<sup>-</sup> (aq) + 2 Na<sup>+</sup> (aq) $\rightarrow$ F<sub>2</sub>(aq) + 2 Na(s) Volt. Pot.: -0.16V

#### **Coca-Cola Battery**

- Won't work with just deionized water?
- Only certain metals will work?





#### **Coca-Cola Battery**

- Coke used because it contains an acid (H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)
- **Oxidation:**  $Zn(s) \rightarrow Zn^{+2}(aq) + 2e^{-1}$  Voltage: 0.76V
- **Reduction:**  $Cu^{+2}(aq) + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Cu(s)$  Voltage: 0.34V

#### Redox Rxn:

 $Zn(s) + Cu^{+2}(aq) \rightarrow Zn^{+2}(aq) + Cu(s)$  Voltage: 1.10V

## Coca-Cola Battery-Zn Electrode



- The Zn electrode: Oxidation
  - Zn(s) → Zn<sup>+2</sup> and 2 e<sup>-</sup> migrate to the Cu electrode.
  - $Zn^{+2}$  ions bond to  $PO_4^{-2}$
  - Zn(s) reduces Cu<sup>+2</sup> on the surface, coating the Zn electrode with Cu.

#### Coca-Cola Battery: Cu Electrode



• Cu<sup>+2</sup> ions reduced to Cu(s)



- Some Cu<sup>+2</sup> ions make their way to the Zn
- Cu<sup>+2</sup> is receiving e<sup>-</sup> (reduction)



## **Coca-Cola Battery**

# • The Zn electrode

- Zn releases e<sup>-</sup> to the Cu electrode.
- Zn<sup>+2</sup> ions bond to PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-2</sup>
- Zn(s) reduces Cu<sup>+2</sup> on the surf., coating the Zn electrode with Cu.
- The Cu electrode
  - Cu<sup>+2</sup> ions reduced to Cu(s)

Electrons do NOT move through the solution

### Why Won't My Chemical Car Move?

- Voltage loss across any resistor: V= I x R Volts = Amps x Ohms
  - Bad wiring on chemical car 
     Very low current to your motor!
- Power loss to any resistor:  $W = V \times I = V^2 \times I$  Watts = (Volts)<sup>2</sup> x Amps



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• Car Battery/Wire Demo: V= 12V, Resistance of wire: 1 ohm

- 1. Amps through the wire:  $12V = I (amps) \times (1 \text{ Ohm}) \rightarrow I=12 \text{ A}$
- 2. Power loss to the wire:  $W = (12V)^2 \times 12 A \rightarrow \frac{1700 Watts}{1700 Watts}$

Car Battery/Mr. Powers Demo: V =12V, Mr. Powers R: 1x10<sup>6</sup> ohms

- 1. Amps through Mr. P.: 12V = I (amps) x (1x10<sup>6</sup> Ohms)  $\rightarrow$  I=1.2X 10<sup>-5</sup> A
- 2. Power loss to Mr. Powers:  $W = \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-3} Watts}{10^{-3} Watts}$

# Summary

- RedOx Reaction: Combination of 2 Processes
  - Reduction: Chemical reaction in which a species accepts an e<sup>-</sup>
  - Oxidation: Chemical reaction in what a species donates an e<sup>-</sup>
- Voltage Potential: Energy that would be exchanged in a e<sup>-</sup> transfer
- What's Next?
  - Cells vs. Batteries
  - Series vs. Parallel Cells

#### Chemical cars will probably need to use parallel and series circuits