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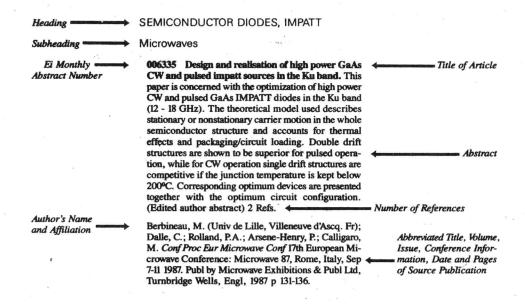
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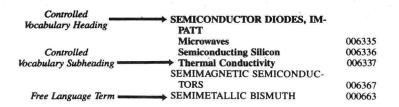
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MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	3M	Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company
NACE	National Association of Corrosion Engineers	TISCO	
NAPE	National Association of Power Engineers	TNO	Tata Iron and Steel Company Toggreet Nature systems happelijk Onderzoek
NAS	National Academy of Sciences (US)	TRI	Toegepast Natuurwetenshappelijk Onderzoek
NAS-NRC		TRW	Transportation Research Institute
IANS-IAKC	National Academy of Sciences — National Research	TVA	Thompson, Ramo, Wooldridge, Incorporated
NIACA	Council (US)		Tennessee Valley Authority (US)
NASA NATO	National Aeronautics and Space Administration (US)	UKAEA	United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority
	North Atlantic Treaty Organization	UN	United Nations
NBS	National Bureau of Standards (US)	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural
NCB	National Coal Board (UK)		Organization
NEC	Nippon Electric Company	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturers Association	VDE	Verband Deutscher Electrotechniker
NFAIS	National Federation of Abstracting and Indexing	VDI	Verein Deutscher Ingenieure
NODA	Services	VGB	Vereinigung der Grosskraftwerksbetrieber
NGPA	Natural Gas Processors Association	WHO	World Health Organization
NHK	Nippon Hoso Kyokai	WMO	World Meteorological Organization
NIH	National Institutes of Health	WRC	Welding Research Council
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	ZIS	Zentralinstitut fuer Schweisstechnik
	(US)		
NPL	National Physical Laboratory (UK)		
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### **ABRASIVES**

### Plastics Applications

000001 Vacu-blast custom-designed blastroom reduces processing times. Ramsgate-based Aviation Engineering & Maintenance Ltd (AEM) reports a reduction in component processing times following its switch to Vacu-blast dry blasting using plastic/prunus media for paint stripping. This, together with a number of other streamline measures, has resulted in the company being able to maintain one of the fastest sub-contract aerospace equipment maintenance services in the UK. AEM previously used an all chemical method to remove paint from components - mainly aircraft undercarriage assemblies and hydraulic equipment. After trials, AEM became one of the the first companies in the UK to adopt the relatively new process of dry blasting plastic media. Media consumption is reported to be low, which minimizes costs.

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000002 Scangrit, the expendable abrasive manufacturers, have recently completed the refurbishment of its Dundee production plant. Opened in 1981, the plant supplies Scangrit expendable abrasives to the whole of Scotland with particular emphasis upon the Aberdeen area's requirements of offshore work. Work carried out at the plant includes the installation of a new drying unit, new dust extraction systems and the provision of increased storage area for the finished product. The raw material processed by the plant is copper slag which is brought in from Boliden Metall's copper smelter at Ronnskar in Northern Sweden. This slag is subjected to a fuming process to remove the zinc and lead which are not removed in the smelting process. The resulting slag is ideally suited as an expendable abrasive.

Anon. Anti Corros Methods Mater v 35 n 5 May 1988 p 7-8.

000003 High quality abrasive improves roll surface texturing technology. Barton Abrasives Ltd, a UK manufacturer of metallic abrasives, has combined technical skills with the British Steel Corporation's Shotton Works, Clwyd, North Wales, which has assisted the launch of a new high quality hematite chilled iron abrasive - 'Starbrasive'. Starbrasive is claimed to be more economical than either conventional chilled iron grit or hard steel grit. This, coupled with its superior etching qualities make it ideal for surface texturing of cold mill rolls and for any application where a consistent etched surface is required. Applications include any items which are to be metal sprayed, painted, enamelled or surface coated. A surface finish is obtained by abrasive blasting of the work rolls with the resultant texture produced on the rolls being rolled into the strip surface.

Anon. Anti Corros Methods Mater v 35 n 5 May 1988 p 10.

### **ABS RESINS**

### Fiber Reinforcement

000004 Measurements of the 'Magnex DC' characteristics at microwave frequencies. This paper deals with the measurements of the equivalent impedance, insertion loss (IL), and return loss (RL) of a conductive composite material called Magnex DC performed at microwave frequencies. It is found that the equivalent impedance decreases as the frequency increases in the X-band (8-12.4 GHz) and the IL of a 1.4mm thick specimen is gerater than 9db over the whole band. The utilization of this material in electromagnetic shielding is considered. Results of the measurements performed on a tapered specimen are also reported. (Author abstract) 11 Refs.

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### **ACCELERATORS**

### Control Systems

000005 Personal computers in accelerator control. The advent of the personal computer has created a popular movement which has also made a strong impact on science and engineering. Flexible software environments combined with good computational performance and large storage capacities are becoming available at steadily decreasing costs. Of equal importance is the quality of the user interface offered on many of these products. Graphics and screen interaction is available in ways that were only possible on specialized systems before. Accelerator engineers were quick to pick up the new technology. The first applications were probably for controllers and data gatherers for beam measurement equipment. Others followed, and today it is conceivable to make a personal computer a standard component of an accelerator control system. This paper reviews the experience gained at CERN so far and describes the approach taken in the design of the common control center for the SPS and the future LEP accelerators. The design goal has been to be able to integrate personal computers into the accelerator control system and to build the operator's workplace around it. (Author abstract) 32 Refs.

Anderssen, P.S. (CERN, Geneva, Switz). Comput Phys Commun v 50 n 1&2 Jul 1988 Microcomputers and Graphics in Physics - Proceedings of the 7th European Summer School on Computing Techniques in Physics, Southern Bohemia, Czech, Jun 9-18 1987. p 89-99.

### Microwaves

000006 Applications of microwave to antiproton control. A major achievement in particle accelerator physics has been the invention of stochastic cooling, a method which increases the density of beams of rare particles, like antiprotons, by several orders of magnitude. The beam circulates in a storage ring where it is sampled by electromagnetic devices which detect and correct the statistical fluctuations in position and energy. The efficiency is related to the sampling resolution which is itself associated with the system frequency bandwidth, a few gigahertz in practice. The coupling structures are made of electrode arrays connected by combiner or splitter networks. The dynamic range may exceed 150 dB yet fulfils stringent linear characteristics. At the detection stage, the thermal noise is reduced using cryo-electronic techniques. At the other end of the amplification chain, solid state amplifiers delivering up to 100 W CW power have been preferred to travelling wave tubes for reasons of phase linearity, lifetime and economy. The perfor-mances and technological aspects of the microwave systems are discussed by the example of the CERN anti-proton project, ACOL. (Author abstract) 12 Refs.

Autin, B. (CERN, Geneva, Switz); Carron, G.; Caspers, F.; Thorndahl, L. Conf Proc Eur Microwave Conf 17th European Microwave Conference: Microwave 87, Rome,

Italy, Sep 7-11 1987. Publ by Microwave Exhibitions & Publ Ltd, Turnbridge Wells, Engl, 1987 p 33-49.

### ACCELERATORS, LINEAR

### Control Systems

000007 Graphics software of the Saclay Linear Accelerator control system. The graphics software used for the control of the Saclay Linear Accelerator is described. The specific requirements that such a software must have in this environment are outlined and some typical applications are presented. (Author abstract) 3 Refs.

Gournay, J.F. (CEN, Yvette, Fr). Comput Phys Commun v 50 n 1&2 Jul 1988 Microcomputers and Graphics in Physics - Proceedings of the 7th European Summer School on Computing Techniques in Physics, Southern Bohemia, Czech, Jun 9-18 1987. p 247-254.

### ACCELERATORS, SYNCHROTRON

### Beam Dynamics

000008 Depolarizing resonance correction in polarized proton beam acceleration up to 5.0 GeV at the KEK PS. The research and development of polarized proton acceleration is being carried out at the KEK 12 GeV proton synchrotron. This paper describes the phenomena encountered in accelerating a polarized proton beam up to 5.0 GeV. Besides conventional methods for correcting depolarizing resonance, an adiabatic resonance crossing with pulsed quadrupole magnets has been successfully applied to correct strong intrinsic resonances. At present, 90 percent of the linac polarization has been preserved in the booster synchrotron with reduced accelerating of rf voltage to avoid the depolarization by synchrotron oscillation. In the main ring, 90 percent and 50 percent of the booster beam polarization was preserved at 3.5 GeV and 5.0 GeV, respectively. The KEK PS is the first cascaded synchrotron which has demonstrated a polarized proton beam. (Author abstract) 28 Refs.

Sato, Hikaru (Natl Lab for High Energy Physics, Tsukuba, Jpn). Jpn J Appl Phys Part I v 27 pt 1 n 6 Jun 1988 p 1022-1030.

### **ACCELEROMETERS**

### Calibration

Integrating accelerometer and velocity meter records. An accelerometer is an attractive instrument for measuring shock and vibration motions because it is small and rugged with little interaction effect on the base structure to which it is attached. It can also be located in many otherwise inconvenient areas. However, there are some potentially serious problems when accelerometer signals are directly integrated to produce velocities and displacements. Throughout this page, a perfect accelerometer is assumed, i.e., the acceleration along its active axis is truly recorded while this recorded signal is unaffected by acceleration orthogonal to the active axis. Three potential problems are examined: the integration and double integration of a simple sinusoidal wave; the effect of shaking, i.e., rotations about some point or points during a shock motion; and, for some circuits, the effect of small imperfections in the callibration. 1 Ref.

O'Hara, G.J. (Univ of Maryland, College Park, MD, USA); Cunniff, P.F. Exp Tech v 12 n 10 Oct 1988 p 22-

### ACCIDENT PREVENTION

000010 Fundamental structure of safety of the safety confirmation type (about the condition of safety confir mation structure). From the standpoint of human safety, safety must be entrusted to 'safety of the safety confir-mation type', which is based on three principles: 'Principle of safety confirmation of safe work'. Principle of unconditional safety', and 'Principle of safety/confirmation structure'. In this report, the requisite for Principle of safety confirmation structure' is discussed! The machinery system needs interlocking structure, i.e. the operation of a system is permitted only when a safety confirmation signal is received. In the step of generating safety information, the detector must detect not hazard but safety. In the step of transmitting the safety information, the relation between input and output must be 'unate'. To satisfy this, 'safety' must be denoted by 'active state', and therefore there may be no negation operation. (Author abstract) 7 Refs. In Japanese.

Sugimoto, Noboru; Kumekawa, Soichi; Fukaya, Kiyoshi; Shimizu, Shoken; Umezaki, Sigeo; Ikeda, Hiroyasu; Houshi, Toshiro; Futsuhara, Koichi. Nippon Kikai Gakkai Ronbunshu C Hen v 54 n 505 Sep 1988 p 2284-2292.

### **ACCIDENTS**

### **Human Factors**

000011 Commentary: models of the decision maker in unforeseen accidents. Two basic issues have been raised by the papers and the discussion of this session: they refer to the context in which decisions have to be taken and to the actor who has the duty to decide. In our case, the context is represented by the accidents occurring in risky technological environments such as process industries and nuclear power plants; the actor is the operator. This simple categorization is, by the way, the most reasonable one when approaching the problem from a systemic point of view: the world that is the object of our analysis is the man and the machine; accidents represent the story and the negative feedback through which models and theories of the world are constructed. 20 Refs.

Mancini, G. (Joint Research Cent Ispra Establishment, Varese, Italy). Inr J Man Mach Stud v 27 n 5-6 Nov-Dec 1987, Cognitive Engineering in Dynamic Worlds, Papers, Iswra, Raly, Nov 11-14 1986. p 631-639.

### **ACETONE**

### Condensation

000012 Condensation of acetone using metal hydroxide and hydrous metal oxide catalysts. It appears that metal hydroxide base strength is a dominant factor in determining the rate of condensation of acetone. It is proposed that the relative rate of reaction is determined by the strength of the complex between the diacetone product and the metal ion. The selectivity for diacetone alcohol does not vary monotonically with the ionic size and is, presumably, determined by factors other than base strength. fAuthor abstract) 14 refs.

Dabbagh, Hossein (Kentucky Energy Cabinet Lab, Lexington, KY, USA); Davis, Burtron H. J Mol Catal v 48 n 1 Oct 17 1988 p 117-122.

### **ACETYLENE**

### Chlorination

000013 Vapour phase hydrochlorination of acetylene with group VIII and 1B metal chloride catalysts. A comparative study of the activity of carbon supported metal chlorides for the hydrochlorination of acetylene is described. The results confirm that the standard electrode potential of the metal is a useful correlation parameter and confirm a previous prediction that catalysts based on gold are particularly active. Initial studies on catalyst reactivation and the mechanism of catalyst deactivation are discussed, and in particular a facile hydrogen chloride treatment for reactivation of carbon sup-

ported HAuCl<sub>4</sub> catalyst is described. (Author abstract) 13 refs.

Nkosi, B. (Univ of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg; S. Afr); Coville, N.J.; Hutchings, G.J. Appl Catal v 43 n-1 Oct 17 1988 p 33-39.

### Combustion

000014 Concentration measurements of atomic hydrogen in subatmospheric premixed  $C_2H_4O_2\Lambda$ r flat flames. Absolute number densities of atomic hydrogen have been measured in subatmospheric, premixed  $C_2H_4O_2\Lambda$ r flat flames via two-photon excited fluorescence. The fuel-equivalence ratios of the flames were 1.0 and 1.7. The fluorescence measurements are calibrated by partial equilibrium calculations and corrected for quenching effects by assuming a constant average cross-section and using kinetic theory. A sensitivity analysis of the calibration procedure reveals that slightly rich flames appear to be the best candidates for calibrating fluorescence measurements of atomic hydrogen by partial equilibrium. (Author abstract)

Salmon, J. Thaddeus (Purdue Univ, West Lafayette, IN, USA); Laurendeau, Normand M. Combust Flame v 74 n 3 Dec 1988 p 221-231.

### ACIDS

### Inorganic

000015 exchange Ion HTaWO, nH2O(n = 0.5-1.5) with a layered structure. Ion exchange of HTaWO6 nH2O having a layered structure was attemped with the alkaline ions (Na+, K+, Rb+ and Cs+). The x-ray powder patterns of the ionexchanged compounds were indexed with tetragonal cells similar to that of HTaWO6 nH2O, the c-axes are almost doubled when compared with that of LiTaWO60 the starting material for the preparation of HTaWO6 nH<sub>2</sub>O. The degree of ion exchange and the length of the c-axis were dependent on the ionic radii of alkaline ions. The layered structure remained unchanged after complete dehydration to  $A_xTaWO_{5.5+x/2}$ , and finally a tetragonal bronze type phase for A = Na or a hexagonal bronze type phase for A = K, Rb and Cs appeared at elevated temperatures. These differences from alkaline ions are discussed in terms of ionic radii. (Edited author abstract) 18 Refs.

Kumada, Nobuhiro (Yamanashi Univ, Kofu, Jpn); Takeshita, Masahide; Muto, Fumio; Kinomura, Nobukazu. Mater Res Bull v 23 n 7 Jul 1988 p 1053-1060.

### Oxidation

00016 Kinetics of formic acid oxidation in advanced porous electrodes. The electrochemical oxidation of formic acid HCOOH at porous PTFE-bonded platinum-carbon electrodes in acidic electrolyte has been studied using the ac-impedance method. A reaction sequence based on known details of this process was transferred into an equivalent circuit which was used to simulate successfully the measured impedance data. The results confirm earlier data obtained with smooth platinum electrodes and allow, for the first time, a correlation between the electrode overpotential and the contribution of the various reaction steps. Further improvements of the porous electrode based on these results are suggested. (Author abstract) 27 Refs.

Holze, Rudolf (Univ Bonn, Bonn, West Ger); Luna, Ana-Maria Castro. J Appl Electrochem v 18 n 5 Sep 1988 p 679-686.

### Precipitation

000017 Coprecipitation of organic acids with calcium sulfite solids. Coprecipitation of dicarboxylic acids with calcium sulfite was studied at conditions typical of limestone slurry scrubbing for flue gas desulfurization. The effects of solution composition were modeled by equilibrium using the calculated activity of the ion pair of the calcium salt of the organic acid. The ratio of the organic acid concentration in (CaSO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>0.2</sub>(CaSO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>0.2</sub>\*'/zH<sub>2</sub>O solids

to ion pair activity at 55°C was 6.9, 13.2, and 194 for adipic, glutaric, and succinic acids, respectively. These relationships are reflected in reduced coprecipitation at lower dissolved calcium and pH. (Author abstract) 10 refs.

Ruiz-Alsop, Rosa (Univ of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, USA); Rochelle, Gary. Ind Eng Chem Res v 27 n 11 Nov 1988 p 2123-2126.

### Thin Films

000018 Charge incorporation in  $\omega$  - tricosenoic acid Langmuir-Blodgett multilayers. In order to investigate the amount of charge introduced into Langmuir-Blodgett (LB) films, multilayers of  $\omega$ -tricosenoic acid have been deposited onto a number of silicon substrates under different dipping conditions. The effects of moisture and storage conditions on film properties have been examined, and a new mathematical model for the charge distribution within an LB film multilayer will be proposed. (Author abstract) 5 Refs.

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### Wear Resisting

000019 Anti-wear properties of hydroxycarboxylic acids with straight alkyl chains. Some hydroxycarboxylic acids may produce tribochemically polymerized surface protective molecular layers on rubbing surfaces. The mechanisms of anti-wear action of the hydroxycarboxylic acids are discussed in this paper. In addition, the effect of the other polar molecules which coexist with the hydroxycarboxylic acids, and the anti-wear functions of hydroxycarboxylic acids as anti-wear additives for synthetic base oils having high polarity are discussed. (Author abstract) 5 Refs.

Masuko, M. (Tokyo Inst of Technology, Tokyo, Jpn); Ohmori, T.; Okabe, H. Tribol Int v 21 n 4 Aug 1988 p 199-203.

### ACOUSTIC IMAGING

### Sensors

Application de la methode des elements finis a l'etude de cavites piezoelectriques: influence de la geometrie sur les modes de vibration et leur coefficient de couplage. [Application of the finite element method to the study of piezoelectric cavities. Influence of the geometry on the vibration modes and their coupling coefficient]. The evolution of probes used for acoustical imaging has led to a new technology using elementary parallelpipedic piezoelectric cavities. The aim of this study is modeling the behavior of such cavities; the author uses the finite element method: from local equations, he establishes a variational formulation for the problem, the discretization leads to the definition of elementary matrices that are assembled to obtain a system of linear equations. The mass and stiffness matrices are found in the same way as for elasticity problems; the electric variables introduce a 'dielectric stiffness' matrix and a 'piezoelectric stiffness' matrix. The search for eigenvalues and eigenvectors gives the resonant modes of the elementary cavity, then computes the coupling coefficient for each mode. This study was made for blocks of different sizes in order to determine the influence of their geometry on their vibrations. Concurrently, an experimental study was made of these blocks, showing good agreement with the calculated values. (Edited author abstract) 12 Refs. In French.

Challande, P. (Lab de Mecanique Physique, St.-Cyrl'Ecole, Fr). J Mec Theor Appl v 7 n 4 1988 p 461-477.