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## Lecture Plan

April 11, Introduction and Physical chemistry

April 18, Nanoparticles and colloids in our daily experiences

April 25, Nanoparticles and colloids in our daily experiences

May 9, Dispersion and aggregation of particles

May 16, Dispersion and aggregation of particles

May 23, DLVO theory

May 30, DLVO theory

June 6, Theory of monodispersed particles synthesis

June 13, Liquid-phase synthesis of functional nanoparticles

June 20, Liquid-phase synthesis of functional nanoparticles

June 27, Environmental catalysts

July 4, Adsorption phenomena and catalytic reaction

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July 18, Catalyst preparation methods

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# Fundamentals of catalytic reactions

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#### Structure insensitive

 Only the effect of increasing the surface area appears

#### Structure sensitive

- Catalytic activity depends on particle size.
  - The smaller the particle size, the greater the catalytic activity.
  - The larger the particle size, the greater the catalytic activity.
  - Catalytic activity is maximized at a certain particle size

表 1 ターンオーバー頻度 (TOF) と粒径との関係						
Ⅰ型 (TOF は粒径に依存しない)						
$2H_2+O_3\longrightarrow 2H_2O$	Pt/SiO <sub>2</sub> a)					
$C_2H_4$ , $\bigcirc$ + $H_2 \longrightarrow C_2H_6$ , $\bigcirc$	$Pt/Al_2O_3{}^{b\flat}$					
	$\mathrm{Pt}/\mathrm{SiO}_{2},\ \mathrm{Pt}/\mathrm{Al}_{2}\mathrm{O}_{3}^{\mathfrak{G}^{j}}$					
$\bigcirc \longrightarrow \bigcirc + H_2$	$Pt/Al_2O_3{}^{d\flat}$					
II 型 (TOF は粒径が小さいほど大きい) $C_2H_6, C_3H_8+H_2$	Ni/SiO2-Al2O30, Pt-blackt					
$\swarrow + H_2 \longrightarrow CH_4, \ C_2H_6, \ C_3H_8$	Rh/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> g)					
$\bigcirc + H_{2} \longrightarrow \land \land \land \land$	$Pt/Al_2O_3^{h}$					
$C \xrightarrow{C} C \xrightarrow{L} $	$Pt/Al_2O_3 D$					
$\longrightarrow \bigcirc$ + Hz	$Pt/Al_2O_3^{j}$					
$C_3H_6+H_2\longrightarrow C_3H_8$	Ni/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>k)</sup>					
III型(TOF は粒径が小さいほど小さい)						
$C_3H_8+O_2\longrightarrow CO_2$	Pt/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> D					
$C_3H_6+O_2\longrightarrow CO_2$	Pt/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> m)					
$CO + O_2 \longrightarrow CO_2$	Pt/SiO <sub>2</sub> <sup>n)</sup>					
$\bigcirc$ + H <sub>2</sub> $\longrightarrow$ $\land \land \land$	$Ph/Al_2O_3^{o}$					
$CO + H_2 \longrightarrow CH_4$	Ni/SiO <sub>2</sub> <sup>p)</sup>					
$CO + H_2 \longrightarrow C_n H_m$	Ru/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Q <sup>3</sup> , Co/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> r <sup>3</sup>					
$CO + H_2 \longrightarrow C_2 H_5 OH$	Rh/SiO <sub>2</sub> s)					
$N_2 + 3H_2 \longrightarrow 2NH_3$	Fe/MgOt>					
IV型 (TOF はある粒径で最大となる)*						
$H_2+D_2 \Longrightarrow 2HD$	Pd/C, Pd/SiO <sub>2</sub> (13 Å) w					
$\bigcirc + H_2 \longrightarrow \bigcirc$	$Ni/SiO_2$ (12 Å) v)					
$\bigcirc$ + H <sub>2</sub> $\longrightarrow$ $\bigcirc$	Rh/SiO <sub>2</sub> (18 Å) <sup>w)</sup>					

\*( )内は最大の TOF を与える粒径.

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Relationship between Turnover Frequency (TOF) and catalyst particle size

Pt/SiO<sub>2</sub>a)

Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>b)

 $Pt/Al_2O_3^{d}$ 

 $Pt/SiO_2$ ,  $Pt/Al_2O_3^{c}$ 

I 型 TOF is independent on the size: Structure insensitive

$$C_{2}H_{4}, \bigcirc +H_{2} \longrightarrow C_{2}H_{6}, \bigcirc$$

$$\bigwedge +H_{2} \longrightarrow \bigwedge, \bigwedge +H_{2} \longrightarrow \bigwedge, \bigwedge$$

 $2H_2 + O_2 \longrightarrow 2H_2O$ 

II 型 The larger TOF, the smaller the size: Structure sensitive  $C_2H_6$ ,  $C_3H_8+H_2$ → $CH_4$  Ni/SiO<sub>2</sub>-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>e)</sup>, Pt-black<sup>f)</sup>

 $\wedge + H_2 \longrightarrow CH_4$ ,  $C_2H_6$ ,  $C_3H_8$  Rh/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>g<sup>)</sup>







Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>j>

 $_{2023/7}$ ,  $C_3H_6 + H_2 \longrightarrow C_3H_8$ 

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Ni/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>k)</sup>

III 现 The smaller TOF, the smaller the size: Structure sensitive

 $C_{3}H_{8}+O_{2}\longrightarrow CO_{2}$  $C_{3}H_{6}+O_{2}\longrightarrow CO_{2}$  $CO+O_{2}\longrightarrow CO_{2}$ 

$$\bigcirc$$
 + H<sub>2</sub>  $\rightarrow$   $\land$ 

 $CO + H_{2} \longrightarrow CH_{4}$   $CO + H_{2} \longrightarrow C_{n}H_{m}$   $CO + H_{2} \longrightarrow C_{2}H_{5}OH$   $N_{2} + 3H_{2} \longrightarrow 2NH_{3}$ 

 $Pt/Al_2O_3^{D}$  $Pt/Al_2O_3^{m}$  $Pt/SiO_2^{n}$ 

Ph/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>o)

Ni/SiO<sub>2</sub><sup>p)</sup> Ru/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>q)</sup>, Co/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>r)</sup> Rh/SiO<sub>2</sub><sup>s)</sup> Fe/MgO<sup>t)</sup>

IV型 TOF is the largest at a specific size: Structure sensitive



### Adsorption and castalysis



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## Adsorption is start of catalytic reaction

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## Physisorption

- Weak adsorption: always

## Chemisorption

- Strong adsorption: chemical bonding

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	Table Chemisor	otion and physisor	ption	
	Features	Chemisorption	Physisorption	
	Origin of adsorption	Chemical bond	van der Waals force	
	Site	Selective	Non-selective	
	Structure	Monolayer	Multilayer	_
	Heat of adsorption	10~100 k cal/mol	A few kcal/mol	_
	Activation energy	Large	Small	
	Rate	Slow	Rapid	
	Adsorption and Desorption	Reversible or Irreversible	Reversible	_
	Typical adsorption	Langmuir type <sub>微粒子合成化学</sub>	BET type	





## Physisorption

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#### Brunauer–Emmett–Teller Isotherm (BET) Isotherm

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slope = 
$$\binom{C-1}{V_m C}$$
,  $(cm^{-3})$   $c$   $(intercept) = \frac{1}{V_m C}$ ,  $(cm^{-3})$   $V_m = \frac{1}{Slop+Intercept}$   
 $\frac{P}{V(P^o - P)} = \frac{1}{V_m C} + \left(\frac{C-1}{V_m C}\right) \frac{P}{P^o}$  Surface Area/Total Surface Area  
 $p/v.(po-p)$   $(c-1)/V_m.c$   $Surface area(S_{total}) = \frac{V_m Ns}{V}$   
 $BET Surface Area/Specific Surface Area
 $BET Surface area = \frac{S_{total}}{a}$$ 

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## Chemisorption





### Dissociated adsorption

Ex. CO + M(adsorption site)  $\rightarrow$  C-M + O-M

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## Non-dissociated adsorption

Ex. CO + M(adsorption site)  $\rightarrow$  CO-M

## Adsorption isotherm



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## Adsorption isotherm

Langmuir

$$v = \frac{abp}{1+ap}$$
  $v = \frac{ab\sqrt{p}}{1+a\sqrt{p}}$ 

Henry

$$\theta = ap \qquad \theta << 1$$

- $\theta/(1-\theta) = ap$  $\theta/(1-\theta) = a\sqrt{p}$ 
  - *p*: adsorption equilibrium pressure *v*: adsorption uptake *b*: saturated uptake  $\theta = v / b$

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Freundlich

$$v = ap^{1/n}$$
 (1 < n < 10)

Frumkin-Temkin

$$v = A \ln Bp$$

## Adsorption isotherm

#### Langmuir

- Most chemisorptions are applicable.
- The theory is that the heat of adsorption is irrelevant to the amount of adsorption, but this may not always be the case.

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#### Henry

 Although it is a formula that linearly increases the amount of adsorption, it is often regarded as a part of the Langmuir type.

#### Freundlich

- The heat of adsorption is linearly related to  $\ln v$  (amount of adsorption).
- The middle part is close to the Langmuir type, so it is difficult to identify.

#### Frumkin-Temkin

- A special case has been presented for ammonia and nitrogen adsorption on metallic iron.
- The heat of adsorption decreases linearly with the amount of adsorption.

## Chemisorption

#### Langmuir equation

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = k_f (1-\theta)C_A - k_b\theta$$
(1)  
 $k_f$ ,  $k_b$ , Reaction rate constants of adsorption and desorption  
 $\theta = q / q_m$ (2)

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 $q_m$ , Saturated adsorption amount dq/dt = 0 in equilibrium, then,

$$q = q_m \theta = q_m \frac{K_A C_A}{1 + K_A C_A}$$

 $K_A$ , Adsorption constant

(3)



Freundlich equation (from experimental)

$$q = kC_A^n$$

- *k*, *n*, Freundlich constant
- $C_A$ , Equilibrium concentration of adsorbate

(4)

#### **Importance of Adsorption to Surfaces: Volcanic Activity Orders**

In order for the solid catalytic reaction to proceed, it is a major premise that the substrate is chemisorbed and activated on the catalyst surface.

Substrate adsorption: If too weak, no reaction will occur.
 Desorption of products: If it is too strong, the next reaction will not occur

(=poisoning).  $\rightarrow$  It often becomes a volcano plot.



Strength of interaction with element X

#### Intermolecular Reaction Mechanism Considering Adsorption: L-H and E-R Mechanism

The reaction between Substrate A and Substrate B (intermolecular reaction) is roughly explained by the following two mechanisms..

**1. Langmuir-Hinshelwood mechanism**: Both A and B are adsorbed on the catalyst and activated.



2. Eley-Rideal mechanism: B collides with A, adsorbed and activated on the catalyst, and then reacted.



## From adsorption to catalytic reaction



## Catalytic reaction

- Physisorption
- Chemisorption
- Surface reaction
- Desorption

If it ends here, it is simply an adsorption phenomenon.

## Example: Methanol synthesis reaction

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Synthesis gas conversion into methanol

 $CO + 2H_2 \rightarrow CH_3OH$ 

Keys are non-dissociation of C=O and dissociation of H-H.





#### There are many irreversible processes.

– When the reverse reaction is overwhelmingly unfavorable

#### Surface reactions are often the rate-limiting step.

- Surface reactions also have many stages.
- You can find out where the rate-limiting step is by an Arrhenius plot.

### Example: methanol synthesis

- Synthesis gas conversion into methanol
  - $CO + 2H_2 \rightarrow CH_3OH$
- **CO** gas $\rightarrow$ **CO** (chemisorption)
- $H_2$  gas  $\rightarrow$   $H_2$  (chemisorption) $\rightarrow$ 2H (Dissociative adsorption )

- CO(Adsorption)+H→CHO(Adsorption) <律速段階>
- **CHO** (Adsorption)  $+H \rightarrow CH_2O$  (Adsorption)
- $CH_2O$  (Adsorption) + $H \rightarrow CH_3O$  (Adsorption)
- $CH_3O$  (Adsorption)  $+H \rightarrow CH_3OH$  (Adsorption)
- $CH_3OH$  (Adsorption)  $\rightarrow$  (Desorption)  $CH_3OH$

## Activation energy

Arrhenius equation

**<u>Reaction rate constant k</u>**  $k = A \exp\left(-\frac{E_a}{RT}\right)$ 

 where A is the frequency factor and E is the activation energy. This equation indicates that the activation energy can be obtained if the rate constants at different temperatures are known.

- It is important that the Arrhenius equation has the same form as the Boltzmann distribution equation. Activation energy is the energy required to become an intermediate in the middle of a reaction. This indicates that the ratio of the intermediates to be present governs the reaction rate.
- Reaction rate analysis is important in clarifying the reaction mechanism in reactions where various substances coexist.

### Apparent activation energy

From the experimental data, plotting ln (k) = y-axis and 1/T = x-axis, the slope is Ea = activation energy.



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## Working of catalyst



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## Change the activation energy?







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When the rate-limiting step changes, the activation energy changes.

## Catalysts contribute to society

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#### **Comparison of Fuel Cell Technologies**

Fuel Cell Type	Common Electrolyte	Operating Temperature	Typical Stack Size	Efficiency	Applications	Advantages	Disadvantages
Polymer Electrolyte Membrane (PEM)	Perfluoro sulfonic acid	50-100°C 122-212° typically 80°C	<1kW-100kW	60% transpor- tation 35% stationary	<ul> <li>Backup power</li> <li>Portable power</li> <li>Distributed generation</li> <li>Transporation</li> <li>Specialty vehicles</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Solid electrolyte re- duces corrosion &amp; electrolyte management problems</li> <li>Low temperature</li> <li>Quick start-up</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Expensive catalysts</li> <li>Sensitive to fuel impurities</li> <li>Low temperature waste heat</li> </ul>
Alkaline (AFC)	Aqueous solution of potassium hydroxide soaked in a matrix	90-100°C 194-212°F	10-100 kW	60%	• Military • Space	<ul> <li>Cathode reaction faster in alkaline electrolyte, leads to high performance</li> <li>Low cost components</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sensitive to CO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>in fuel and air</li> <li>Electrolyte management</li> </ul>
Phosphoric Acid (PAFC)	Phosphoric acid soaked in a matrix	150-200°C 302-392°F	400 kW 100 kW module	40%	<ul> <li>Distributed generation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Higher temperature enables CHP</li> <li>Increased tolerance to fuel impurities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pt catalyst</li> <li>Long start up time</li> <li>Low current and power</li> </ul>
Molten Carbonate (MCFC)	Solution of lithium, sodium, and/ or potassium carbonates, soaked in a matrix	600-700°C 1112-1292°F	300 kW-3 MW 300 kW module	45-50%	<ul> <li>Electric utility</li> <li>Distributed generation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High efficiency</li> <li>Fuel flexibility</li> <li>Can use a variety of catalysts</li> <li>Suitable for CHP</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High temperature corrosion and breakdown of cell components</li> <li>Long start up time</li> <li>Low power density</li> </ul>
Solid Oxide (SOFC)	Yttria stabi- lized zirconia	700-1000°C 1202-1832°F	1 kW-2 MW	60%	<ul> <li>Auxiliary power</li> <li>Electric utility</li> <li>Distributed generation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High efficiency</li> <li>Fuel flexibility</li> <li>Can use a variety of catalysts</li> <li>Solid electrolyte</li> <li>Suitable for CHP &amp; CHHP</li> <li>Hybrid/GT cycle</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High temperature corrosion and breakdown of cell components</li> <li>High temperature operation requires long start up time and limits</li> </ul>

#### For More Information

More information on the Fuel Cell Technologies Program is available at http://www.hydrogenandfuelcells.energy.gov.





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#### Market size forecast for hydrogen and fuel cells in Japan

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#### Fuel cell vehicle



#### Fuel cell electric technology explained





#### Fuel Cell Power plant in South Korea



#### e-methane

#### Methanation technology and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



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### e-methane Methane production (methanation) technology

#### $CO_2 + 4H_2 \rightarrow CH_4 + 2H_2O \quad \Delta H = -165 \text{ kJ/mol} (298\text{K})$

- At the beginning of the 20th century, Sabatier (France) discovered a technology to thermochemically produce methane from CO<sub>2</sub> (carbon dioxide) and H<sub>2</sub> (hydrogen) using a catalyst.
- Ni-based and Ru-based catalysts are often used as catalysts.
- It is an exothermic reaction, and low temperature and high pressure are advantageous.
- As methane production technology from CO2, in addition to thermochemical methods, electrochemical, photoreduction, biological methods, etc. are being researched and developed.



Paul Sabatier (1912 Nobel Prize in Chemistry)



Temperature and pressure dependence (equilibrium) in the hydrogenation reaction of  $\rm CO_2$ 

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## e-methane Recent related business example: methanation technology









#### 1. Renewable electricity

Renewable energy obtained from hydropower.

#### Chemical synthesis

In the first step, hydrogen and CO<sub>2</sub> are converted to synthesis gas in the reverse water-gas shift reactor.

The Fischer-Tropsch reactor then uses this to build hydrocarbon chains.

#### CO<sub>2</sub> from sustainable sources or from the air.

2. Electrolysis

0,

CO,

Electrolysis splits water into hydrogen and oxygen. Oxygen dissipates into the surrounding air.

#### 3. Conversion

A two-step process turns CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrogen into hydrocarbon chains.

Renewable waxes for cosmetics,

foodstuffs and chemical industries

Heat for use in residential areas or in industry.

#### Infrastructure compatibility

e-diesel is compatible with existing infrastructure and engine technologies. It replaces fossil fuel.



e-diesel

Almost CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral e-diesel for mobility







Possibilities of synthetic fuels (e-fuel) that are gaining interest due to EU acceptance

At the Energy Ministers' Meeting on March 28, 2023, the European Union (EU) changed its policy of banning the sale of new engine vehicles from 2035, and allowed the continuation of sales on the condition that "synthetic fuels" were used. Synthetic fuel is a liquid fuel made from carbon dioxide emitted from factories, power plants, etc., and hydrogen. In particular, synthetic fuel made from hydrogen derived from renewable energy is called e-fuel. Synthetic fuels face challenges in terms of manufacturing technology and cost. However, decarbonization of automobiles in the world, including developing countries, is difficult only by expanding the spread of EVs and fuel cell vehicles. Synthetic fuel can be used not only for existing engine vehicles, but also for transportation machines such as aircraft that are not suitable for EV conversion. In addition, many of the rare metals and rare earths that are used as the core parts of EVs are unevenly distributed in specific countries such as China, Russia, and South Africa.



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## e-fuel History of FT synthesis

- 1902 Sabatier and Sendersen report that methane is formed from CO and hydrogen over Ni and Co catalysts.
- 1908 Orlov finds ethene from synthesis gas over NiPd catalysts.
- 1913 BASF patent for "Preparation of a liquid oil from synthesis gas", Co and Os catalysts.
- 1924 Fischer and Tropsch report about the preparation of
  - hydrocarbons over an Fe catalyst, the catalyst deactivates rapidly. The first 4 plants are commissioned (200,000 t/year capacity),
- 1936

Pichler finds that by increasing the pressure to 15 bar, the lifetime of the catalyst increases

1944 9 plants and a total of 700,000 t/year; Co catalyst (Co, ThO2,

MgO, Kieselguhr)

- 1955 Sasol I starts (combination of fixed and fluid bed reactors)
- 1994 Shell starts operating plant in Malaysia (SMDS process)
- 2005- Several large GTL processes under construction

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- Developed during World War II in order to satisfy the demand for fuel with the abundant coal supply.
- High pressure hydrogenation of CO over metal or transition metal carbide catalysts.
- The process leads to oligomer like large saturated and mostly unbranched alkanes, as well as some oxygenates.
- Fe, Co and Ru are the most widely use catalysts.
- Alkali metal oxide promoters seem essential for good catalytic performance.
- The two main catalytic functions are
  - -CO bond activation and dissociation
  - Formation of C-C and C-H bonds

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Prof. Franz Fischer Dr. Hans Tropsch

## GTL(Gas To Liquid)

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## GTL(Gas To Liquid)

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GTL is a technology that produces synthetic gas (CO + H2) from natural gas (mainly CH4) and then produces liquid hydrocarbons through FT synthesis reaction. Synthetic gas can be produced from biomass and other sources, so a wide variety of raw materials can be used.

## FT synthesis reaction

![](_page_60_Figure_1.jpeg)

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## Summary

- physical chemistry equilibrium theory DLVO theory rapid aggregation theory Kinetics catalytic chemistry Synthesis of monodisperse particles
  - 3 conditions
- A catalyst that contributes to society

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carbon neutral, e-fuel