A Review on Application of Nanomaterials for Corrosion Control and Protection

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Abstract:- In many sectors, corrosion is an expensive and sometimes deadly problem. The potential use of various nanostructured materials in corrosion protection, prevention, and control is becoming more popular. Nanomaterials are significant because of their distinct qualities, which could lead to new and intriguing uses. This review discusses the current state of nanotechnology application in the field of preventing metal corrosion.

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1. INTRODUCTION:

Scientists are working to create coatings and structures with improved corrosion and wear resistance. Nanostructures encourage selective oxidation, resulting in the formation of a protective oxide scale with enhanced substrate adherence. Nanocrystalline nc-coatings have been effectively created by thermally activated techniques such as high-speed thermal spraying using oxyfuel[1-3].

A polymer nanocomposite coating can effectively combine the advantages of inorganic materials with those of organic polymers, such as elasticity and water resistance[4,5]. By using nanostructured particles instead of hazardous solvents, improvements in environmental impact can be made. The risky phosphate–chromate pretreatment method has been replaced by nanoscale silica[6,7].

Nanocomposite coatings based on hydroxyapatite nanoparticles can provide superior corrosion resistance provided by titanium implants. The practicality of protective nc-coatings will rely on how well these materials resist corrosion in general over long periods of service[8-9].

2. TYPE OF NANOCOATING'S

2.1. Nc-alloys' Corrosion Behavior

The size of the grains has a significant impact on their properties, including hardness, wear resistance, and electrical resistivity.The corrosion resistance of nc- Fe_{32}-Ni_{36}-Cr_{14}-P_{12}-B_6 is higher than that of its amorphous cousin. FeA18's ability to construct passive films is substantially facilitated in the slightly acidic to weakly basic pH range. The passive layer's protective qualities in the nanostructured alloy are dependent on oxygen content[11-15].

NC-state holds significant potential for the creation of protective (fracture, wear and corrosion resistant) nc-coatings. It appears to sustain the better corrosion performance generally seen with traditional pc-Ni and Ni-based alloys. Nc-zinc has a larger activation energy with dissolution than electro-galvanized steel[16-17].

NC alloys retain a more perfect passive layer, but the pc-passive material's film stability declines in hostile ion-containing solutions. In nc-alloys, atoms will alloy at a faster rate of diffusion. Such a covering is more durable and less prone to corrosion and stress cracking[18-19].

2.2. Coats Made of Ceramic

Liquid paint contains ceramic nanoparticles that are free to move around as it is applied to vehicles. Depositing nanocoating's made of colloids, such as graphite, is a recent breakthrough in tribology. Co-depositing Al2O3 and TiO2 particles in highly conductive metal electrolytes leads to improved corrosion resistance[20-22].

2.3. Polymer-based paints

Conducting polymers can be mixed with organic or inorganic particles to vary their conductivity, morphology and other properties of physical, based on goal, such as prevention of corrosion. Polyaniline, polythiophene, and polypyrene are a few particular nano conductive polymers that improve corrosion resistance[23-26].

"Smart coatings" that release corrosion inhibitors, when necessary, in reaction to stress, a hole, or an electrical or mechanical control signal are made possible by nanostructured materials engineering. Organic corrosion inhibitors are joined to nanoparticles with huge surface areas that may be released on demand[27-28].

2.4. Nanophase coating that self-assembles

SiO_2 nanoparticles are electrophoretically coated on AISI 304 stainless steel substrates to create coatings up to 5 mm thick with good corrosion resistance. According to studies, including nanoparticles into the sol can thicken the coating without raising the sintering temperature[29].

Zirconia nanoparticles are ideal candidates for coatings as they have reduced porosity and a lower propensity to crack. Corrosion inhibitors are combined with inorganic nanoparticles to create nano reservoirs for self-healing pre-treatments. Doping with cerium nitrate increases the corrosion resistance of this hybrid nanostructured sol-gel coating[30-32].

Molecular modeling techniques have been applied to coating processes to better understand complex chemical interactions. SNAP coatings provide barrier-type corrosion protection, but they lack the ability to release corrosion inhibitors upon coating degradation. Multifunctional coatings may be feasible if coating components can be designed from the molecular level up[30-34].

2.5. Biocidal coatings and self-cleaning paints

Surfaces that are biocidal but also simple to clean and even self-cleaning are designed and produced with great care[35]. Nano particles with an Al_2O_3 surface treatment help to increase their scratch resistance and hydrophobicity[33]. In a latest study, Cai37 used an anatase TiO_2 layer, an inert coating of sol-gel and a corona treatment.

An EU-funded research project is investigating how to prevent organisms from developing on surfaces in marine environments. Nanostructured surfaces may offer a novel and ecologically friendly solution to the biofouling problem. By employing nano structure to severely restrict organism adherence, the goal of the research is to control fouling[34].

2.6. Application of Nanostructured composite and alloy coatings at high-temperatures

Extreme resistance to corrosion at high temperatures is shared by coatings made of metal-oxide composites, oxide-dispersive alloys, and nanocrystalline alloys. At high temperatures, fine-grained coatings exhibit a rapid creep rate, which can relieve the internal tensions of the scales and lessen their propensity to spallate.

Alloys with 2 wt percent Al could completely form an a-Al_2O_3 scale at 1000°C in air when the Ni-20Cr-Al coating grain size was 60 nm. The amount of aluminum needed to fully produce a protective oxide scale can be significantly decreased by nc-alloy coatings[35].

Titanium alloys and Ti-Al intermetallic may be used in the automotive and aerospace industries due to their outstanding properties of mechanical at high temperatures and resistance to corrosion. They can be employed as high temperature structural materials with the help of nano- or sub-micro alloy coatings made via electro-spark deposition.

3. CONCLUSION

From the above various methods of nanocoating's, it is concluded that the alloy and composite coatings are more suitable and economical at the high temperatures. Self-cleaning and self-assembled coatings are suitable in the various types of industries like chemical, refinery and marine vehicles. All polymeric coatings designed to prevent corrosion are normally durable. They can now be used on thick films as a result heat, chemicals, moisture, or salt should never cause them to decay. A ceramic coating will shield the paint against damage caused by water stains, grit from the road, bird droppings, and other contaminants. Nanocrystalline alloys created through adequate annealing treatments of specific amorphous ribbons systems that can be used as soft magnetic materials.

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