



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

DEPARTMENT	Ingegneria
ACADEMIC YEAR	2023/2024
MASTER'S DEGREE (MSC)	BUILDING ENGINEERING
SUBJECT	CORROSION AND PROTECTION OF METALLIC MATERIALS FOR BUILDING
TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY	C
AMBIT	20915-Attività formative affini o integrative
CODE	21619
SCIENTIFIC SECTOR(S)	ING-IND/23
HEAD PROFESSOR(S)	SANTAMARIA MONICA Professore Ordinario Univ. di PALERMO
OTHER PROFESSOR(S)	
CREDITS	6
INDIVIDUAL STUDY (Hrs)	98
COURSE ACTIVITY (Hrs)	52
PROPAEDEUTICAL SUBJECTS	
MUTUALIZATION	
YEAR	2
TERM (SEMESTER)	1° semester
ATTENDANCE	Not mandatory
EVALUATION	Out of 30
TEACHER OFFICE HOURS	SANTAMARIA MONICA Monday 13:00 14:00 Studio personale Edificio 6 secondo piano previa conferma per e-mail Wednesday 12:30 14:00 Studio personale Edificio 6 secondo piano previa conferma per e-mail Friday 12:30 14:00 Studio personale Edificio 6 secondo piano previa conferma per e-mail

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PREREQUISITES	General Chemistry, basic electricity with an emphasis on Ohm's Law.
LEARNING OUTCOMES	<p>Knowledge and understanding At the end of the course student is expected to have a deep understanding of the mechanism of corrosion processes and on their nature as a function of the environmental physico-chemical conditions. Student will be aware on the synergistic effect of stress and corrosion in materials degradation and failure. He/she is expected to know the corrosion protection methods and strategies and to isolate the critical issues responsible of material degradation. Student will learn about corrosion protection and prevention in the building engineering, necessary for correct design and maintenance of constructions.</p> <p>Applying knowledge and understanding Student is expected to know corrosion mechanism and morphology of the metallic material in different environments. Thanks to this fundamental knowledge he/she will be able to understand causes of the corrosion processes with a special focus on the phenomena involving metals and alloys usually employed in the building engineering, being able to select the most appropriate material according to the environmental conditions. He/she will be also able to provide solutions to public and private customers for restoring the integrity of structure employing metallic materials using suitable products and techniques according to recent trends in the international building engineering materials market.</p> <p>Making judgments Starting from knowledge of the theoretical aspects of the corrosion processes as well as from the laboratory experiences the student is expected to be able to match the right material with the environment where the latter is supposed to work, and he/she will regulate the maintenance of aircraft, in order to ensure safe and correct functioning during building and/or constructions life.</p> <p>Communication Student is expected to be able to work autonomously and collaborate with other team members involved in the same project (design and/or maintenance).</p> <p>Learning skills Following a deep understanding of the theoretical aspects and after laboratory experience, student is expected to be able to seek advice from technical regulations, technical manuals, scientific literature updating frequently his/her knowledge.</p>
ASSESSMENT METHODS	<p>The assessment will be performed through an oral exam with questions focused on three main subjects: thermodynamic aspects of corrosion processes, kinetic aspects of corrosion processes and possible problems/warning using metals and/or alloys typical of building engineering as a function of the hosting environment conditions. The student must support the answers qualitatively and quantitatively taking advantage of the technical tools provided by the evaluation committee (Pourbaix Diagram, national and international prescriptions, etc.).</p> <p>The student will also discuss a case study (selected among three options) of practical relevance in the field of building engineering. The interview is aimed at determining the student abilities to process the knowledge gained by using them to solve problems and the ability to express the teaching content using a technically correct language. Special attention will be paid to the correct use of physical dimensions (current, current density, corrosion rate, etc.).</p> <p>The vote is expressed in thirtieths with possible praise, according to the scheme reported in the file "Metodi di valutazione" on the webpage devoted to the Building Engineering Course.</p>
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES	The aim of the course is to provide basic concepts of corrosion processes and the tools for a correct selection of the materials, of the protection and prevention methods to control and limit the damages and failure in building engineering.
TEACHING METHODS	Frontal lectures, Laboratory and Demonstration Sessions, Laboratory Practice Sessions. The course will be held in English.
SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY	<p>Pietro Pedferri, Corrosione e protezione dei materiali metallici. Vol. I (ISBN 97888-7398-032-2) polipress, 2007, Milano Italia</p> <p>Pietro Pedferri, Corrosione e protezione dei materiali metallici. Vol. II (ISBN 97888-7398-043-8) polipress, 2007, Milano Italia.</p> <p>Luca Bertolini, Materiali da Costruzione, Vol. II, seconda edizione, Citta' Studi Edizioni, 2012 (ISBN 9788825173680).</p> <p>Lectures notes and powerpoint presentations.</p>

SYLLABUS

Hrs	Frontal teaching
1	Brief overview on fundamentals of inorganic chemistry and electrochemistry

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3	Introduction. General aspects of corrosion processes. Mechanical and physico-chemical properties of materials. Direct and indirect corrosion damages.
3	Wet and dry corrosion. Electrochemical mechanism of corrosion. Corrosion reactions: anodic and cathodic half cell reactions. Faraday's law. Thermodynamics of corrosion. Standard potential, Nernst Equation and Pourbaix diagrams.
4	Kinetic of corrosion. Cathodic and anodic overvoltage. Charge transfer and mass transfer control. Passivation conditions. Evans diagrams. Influence of metal on corrosion processes.
3	Corrosion attack morphology: generalized corrosion, galvanic coupling, pitting corrosion, crevice corrosion, interference corrosion, selective dissolution, intergranular corrosion, turbulence corrosion, erosion corrosion, impingement corrosion, stress corrosion cracking, fatigue corrosion, hydrogen embrittlement, microbial corrosion. CO ₂ and H ₂ S induced corrosion.
3	Degradation of reinforced concrete structures, Corrosion induced by carbonatation and/or chloride ions., corrosion of pre-stressed concrete. Corrosion phenomena involving metals used for construction directly exposed to natural environment (atmosphere, soil, water). Durability of reinforced concrete and of pre-stressed reinforced concrete structures. Protections methods (coating, surface treatments, cathodic prevention).
3	Protection of structure metallic components: paints, metallic coatings, inhibitors, other surface protections, cathodic protection, material selection.
3	Steel construction. Atmospheric corrosion of carbon steel structure. Protection criteria. Patinable steel. Under ground constructions, offshore constructions. Stainless steel. Stainless steel sensitization. Intergranular corrosion. Non ferrous metallic material for building engineering.
3	Monitoring, evaluation and prevention of corrosion processes: non destructive techniques for corrosion evaluation. Modelling of corrosion processes, Chemical and microstructural analyses for corrosion monitoring and control.
1	Corrosion tests: corrosion rate estimate in laboratory and in real systems (Salt Spray Test, Adhesion test coatings etc).
1	Design and selection of material: data base consulting, smart systems and regulations. Economic evaluation and reliability assessment (Life Cycle Cost, Decision analysis)
Hrs	Practice
3	Pourbaix diagrams from thermodynamics data and their use in corrosion studies.
3	Exercises and lab ppRACTISE on thermodynamic and kinetics of galvanic cells. Intercative discussion.
3	Experimental determination of corrosion potential and corrosion rate. Polarization curve recording in different environments. Corrosion potential measurements and polarization resistance estimate with dc and ac methods. Test on the corrosion resistance of passive films on steel and on non ferrous metallic materials for building engineering.
3	Corrosion protection and prevention: noble materials, passive films, coating, anodic films. Anodizing of Al alloys for building engineering.
3	Inspection techniques on structure and non destructive techniques. Analysis of corrosion damaged materials. Monitoring of on going corrosion processes.
3	Cathodic protection: potential and current density for cathodic protection. Selection of sacrificial anodes.
3	Electrochemical techniques for reinforced concrete, monitoring, repair and restoration.
3	Corrosion products identification by X-ray diffraction and Raman Spectroscopy. Analysis of the attack morphology by scanning electron microscopy.