

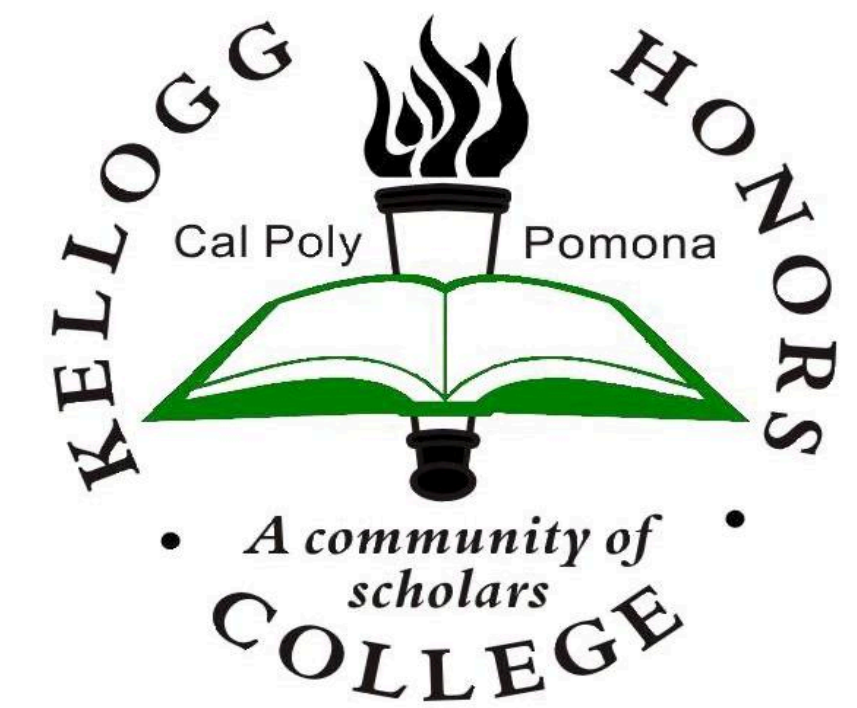
Lithium-Ion Batteries



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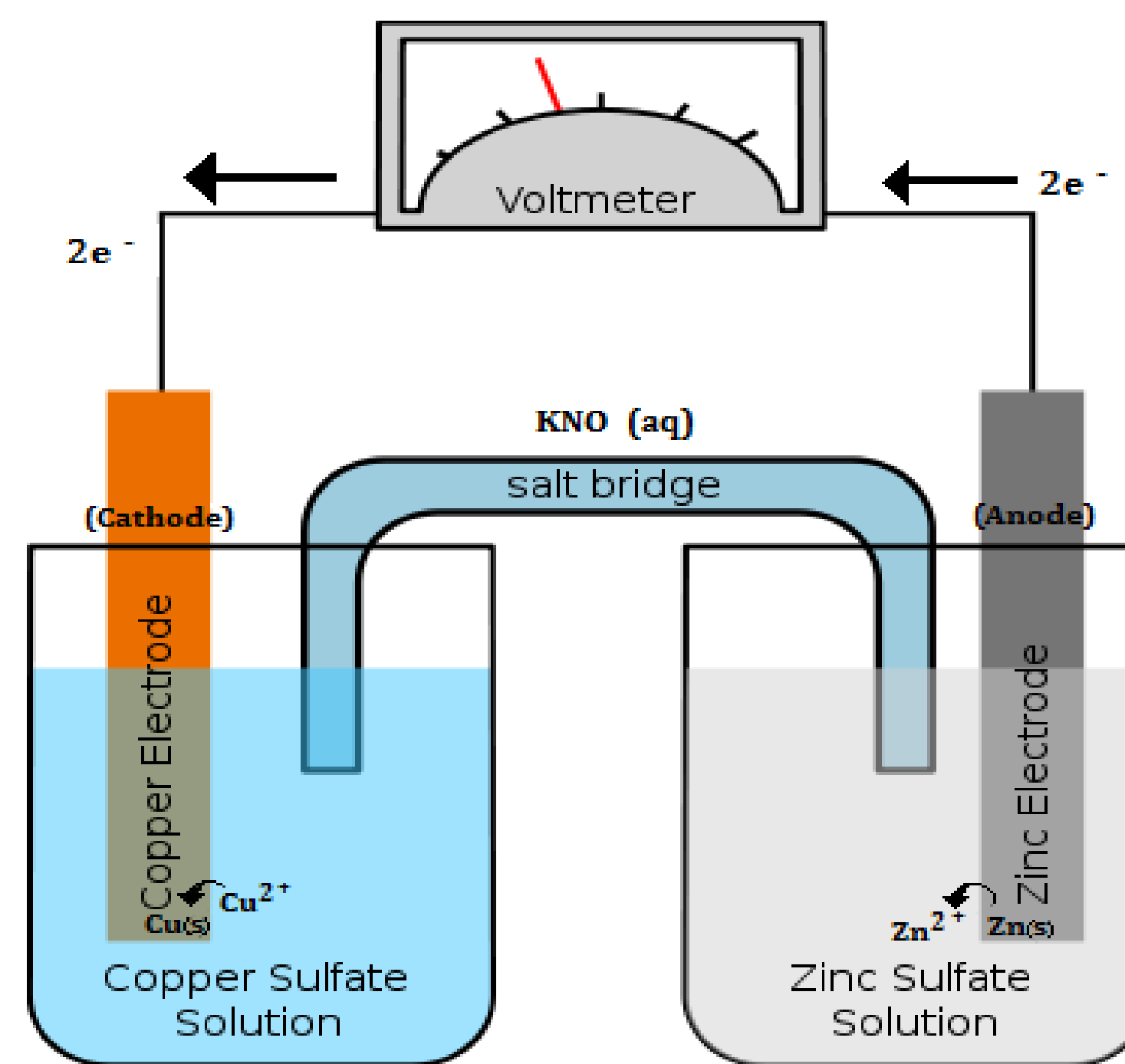
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Battery Basics

- ❖ Battery components: anode, cathode, salt bridge, & electrolyte solution
- ❖ Electron flows from anode to cathode which induces electricity
- ❖ The reverse process charges the battery

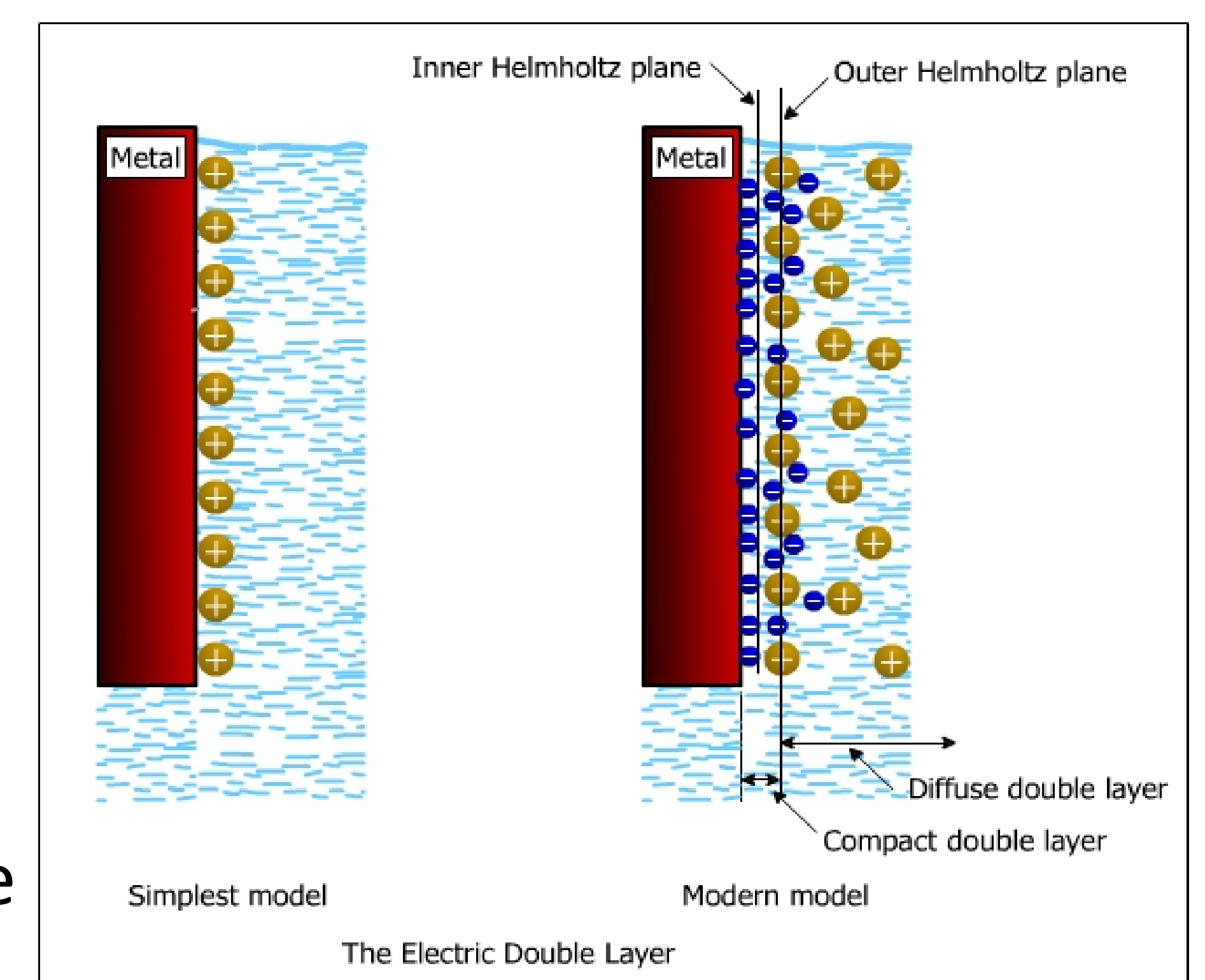


Lithium-Ion Battery Chemistry

- ❖ Anode: $\text{LiC}_6 \rightleftharpoons \text{C}_6 + \text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^-$
- ❖ Cathode: $\text{CoO}_2 + \text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{LiCoO}_2$
- ❖ Overall: $\text{LiC}_6 + \text{CoO}_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{C}_6 + \text{LiCoO}_2$
- ❖ Overcharging: $\text{LiCoO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Li}^+ + \text{CoO}_2 + \text{e}^-$
- ❖ Over discharging $\text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^- + \text{LiCoO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Li}_2\text{O} + \text{CoO}$

Electric Double Layer

- ❖ The EDL is the layer of charged particles that stack on electrodes
- ❖ There are multiple models of the EDL: Helmholtz & Guoy-Chapman model
- ❖ The relationship which describes the Helmholtz EDL: $\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\rho(x)}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_0}$
- ❖ Where φ is the electric potential, x is the distance from the electrode, $\rho(x)$ is the charge density as a function of distance from the electrode, ϵ_0 is the permittivity of a vacuum, and ϵ_1 is the relative permittivity of the solution
- ❖ The density function is described by: $\rho(x) = \sum n_i z_i e = \sum n_i^0 e z_i \exp\left(\frac{-z_i e \varphi}{kT}\right)$
- ❖ Where n_i^0 is the concentration of ion i in the bulk solution, e is the unit charge of an electron, z_i is the charge on ion i , k is the Boltzmann constant, and T is the temperature



The figure above is a model of Helmholtz and Guoy-Chapman theories respectively.

Relationships Used to Collect Data

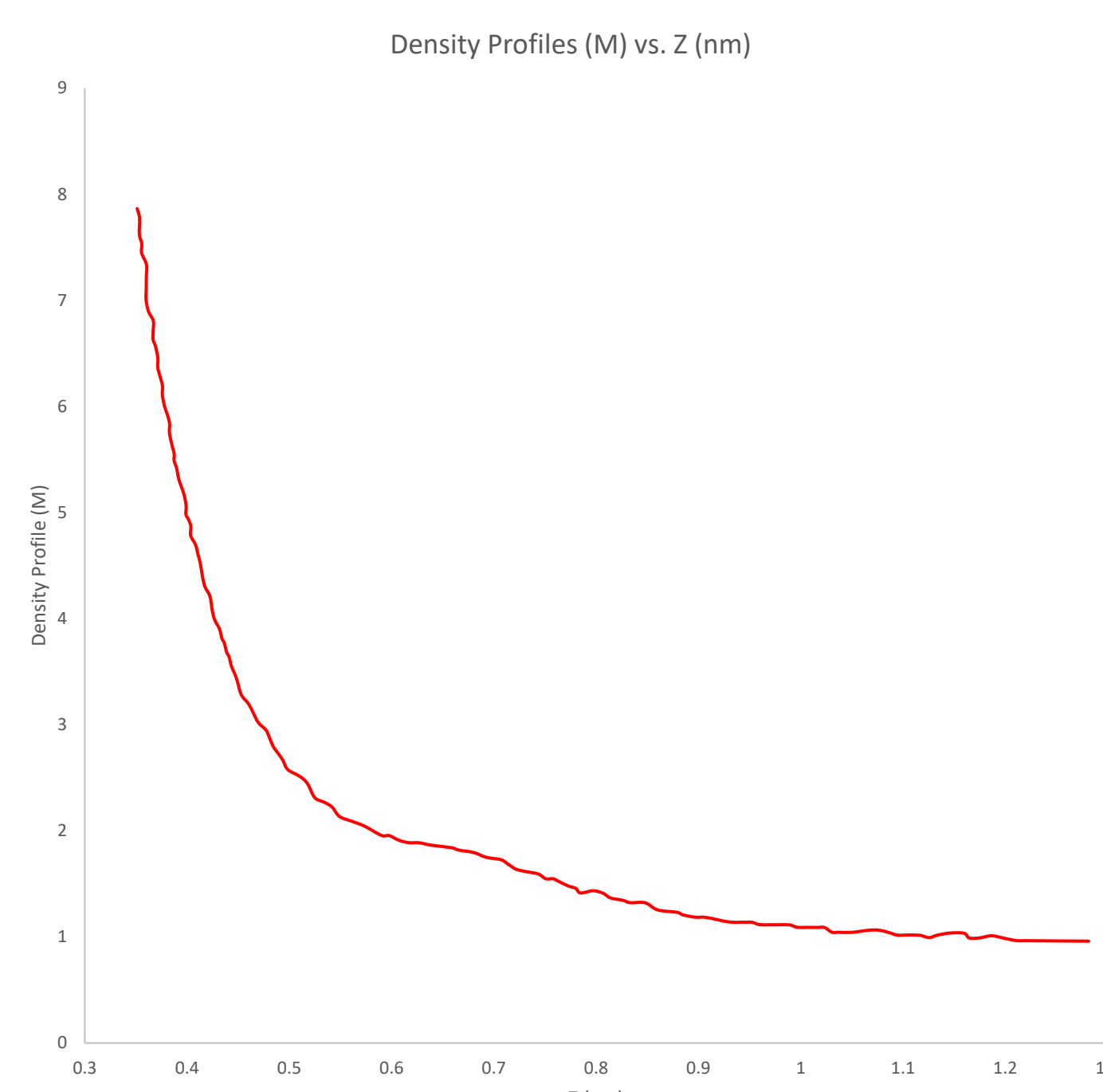
- ❖ Poisson-Boltzmann equation (for electrostatic potentials)
- ❖ Debye-Huckel inverse shielding length $\kappa^2 \equiv \frac{4\pi e^2}{\epsilon_m kT} \sum z_j^2 \rho_j$
- ❖ Bjerrum Length $B_z \equiv \frac{e^2}{\epsilon_m kT} |z_+ z_-|$ ❖ Ionic Strength $I \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum z_j^2 \rho_j$

$$\nabla^2 \Psi_c(r) = -\frac{4\pi}{\epsilon_m} \sum_j z_j e \rho_j \exp[-\beta z_j e \Psi_c(r)] \quad \nabla^2 \Psi_c(r) = \kappa^2 \Psi_c(r)$$

$$\kappa^2 \equiv 4\pi B \sum_j z_j^2 \rho_j \quad \kappa^2 \equiv \frac{8\pi e^2 I}{\epsilon_m kT} = 8\pi B I, \text{ or } \kappa = \sqrt{8\pi B I}$$

Monte-Carlo Data

- ❖ Extracted data from charts from papers and reports using Monte-Carlo method
- ❖ Web digitizer helps set bounds and extract data points from image graph
- ❖ Gives us data to work with when physical lab data is not obtainable



Fortran

- ❖ Base code to MATLAB
- ❖ Used for all calculations in project
- ❖ Quicker results than MATLAB due to large amount of iterations required
- ❖ Free software that can be found online

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1... Calculate Debye Inverse Length kappa for NaCl Solutions
real*4 M,K,kappa,kappa2,Ionic
dimension M(6),d(6),c(6),zhom(6),zhom2(6)
data M/0.1,0.2,0.3,0.5,0.8,1.2/
data d/1.000115,1.00519,1.00990,1.0708,1.02865,1.04365/
open ('15,file='kappa.txt',status='unknown')

... Input data
em=1.60206e-19 !Coulomb of unit electron
epsilon=78.359+11.2e-12 !permittivity of water at 25oc. C*2/(N.m*2)
k=1.38054e-23 !Boltzmann constant. J/K
T=298.15 !Kelvin
zp=1.0 !Valence cation
zm=-1.0 !Valence anion
WNaCl=23.0+35.45
pi=3.1415926535

... Bjerrum length (1 meter=1.0e+10 Angstroms)
B=e*e/(em*k*T)*1.0e+10
print *, 'Bjerrum length, B=',B,' Angstrom'
write(15,'(Bjerrum length=B,g12.5,' Angstrom)') B

... Calculation of Parameters
Basis: 1000 g of pure water
do 4 i=1,6
c(i)=M(i) *(1000./d(i))/( M(i)*WNaCl+1000.) !Molarity
zhom(i)=c(i)*zp+zm !Cation number density, 1/A3
zhom2(i)=c(i)*zp**2+zm**2 !Anion number density, 1/A3
Ionic=0.5*(zhom(i)*zp**2+zhom(i)*zm**2) !Ionic strength

kappa2=8.*pi*B*Ionic !Debye kappa (1/A)
kappa=sqrt(kappa2)

print *, 'I=',I,' M=',M(i),' c=',c(i),' kappa=',kappa
write(15,'(I,2x,',M=',g12.5,' kappa=',g12.5)')I,M(i),kappa

4 continue
print *, '====Volta, Bon Sol=====*'
stop
end
    
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