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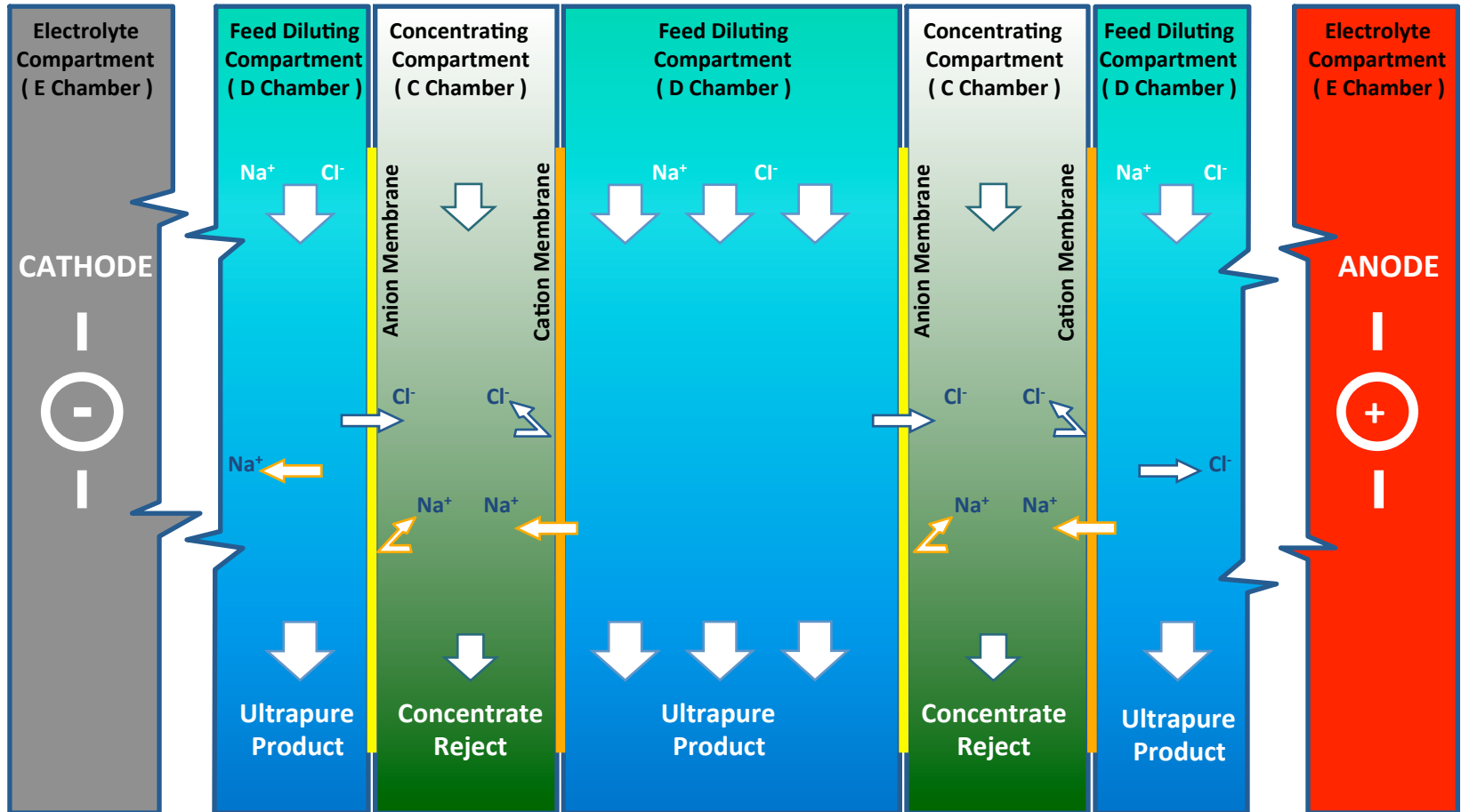
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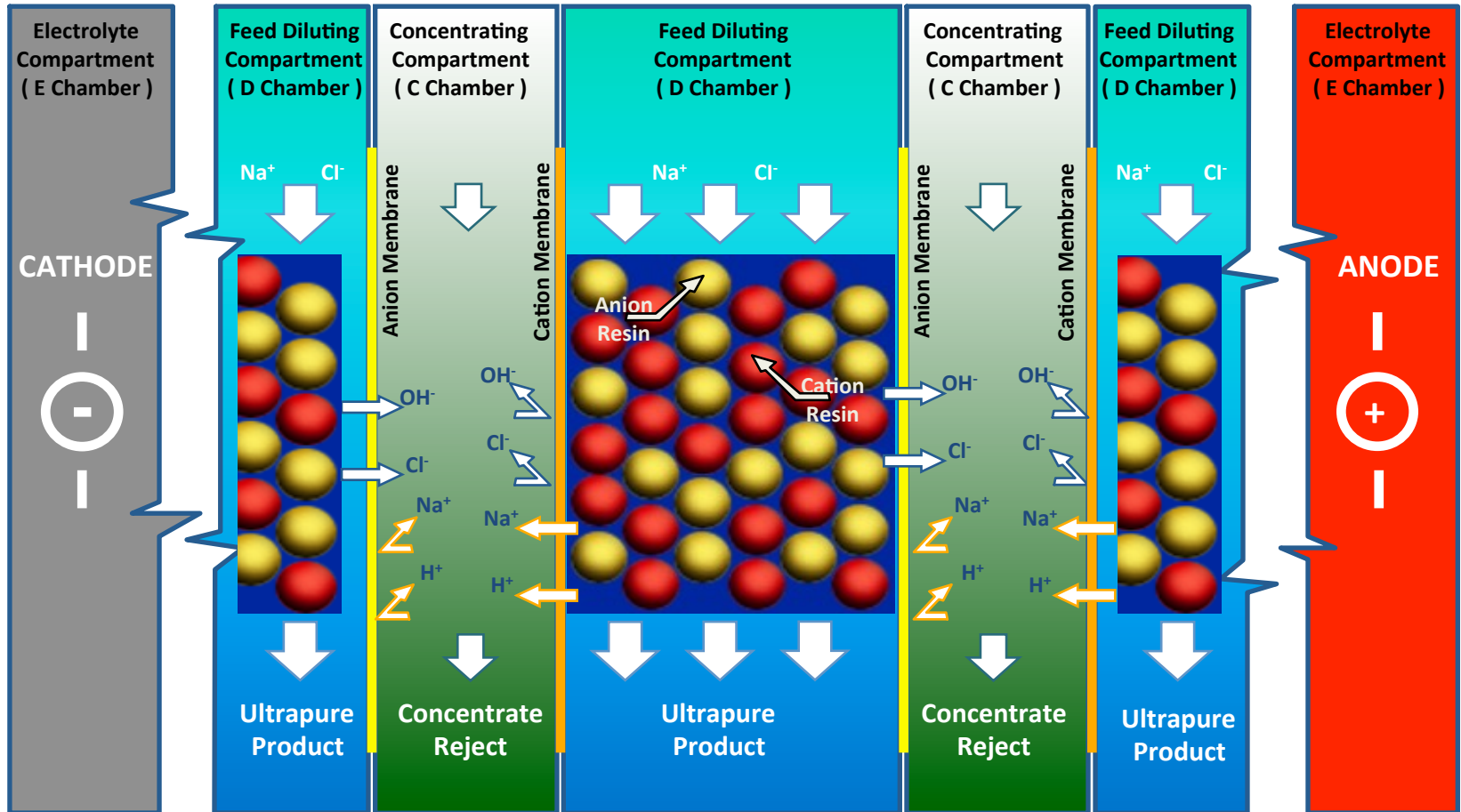
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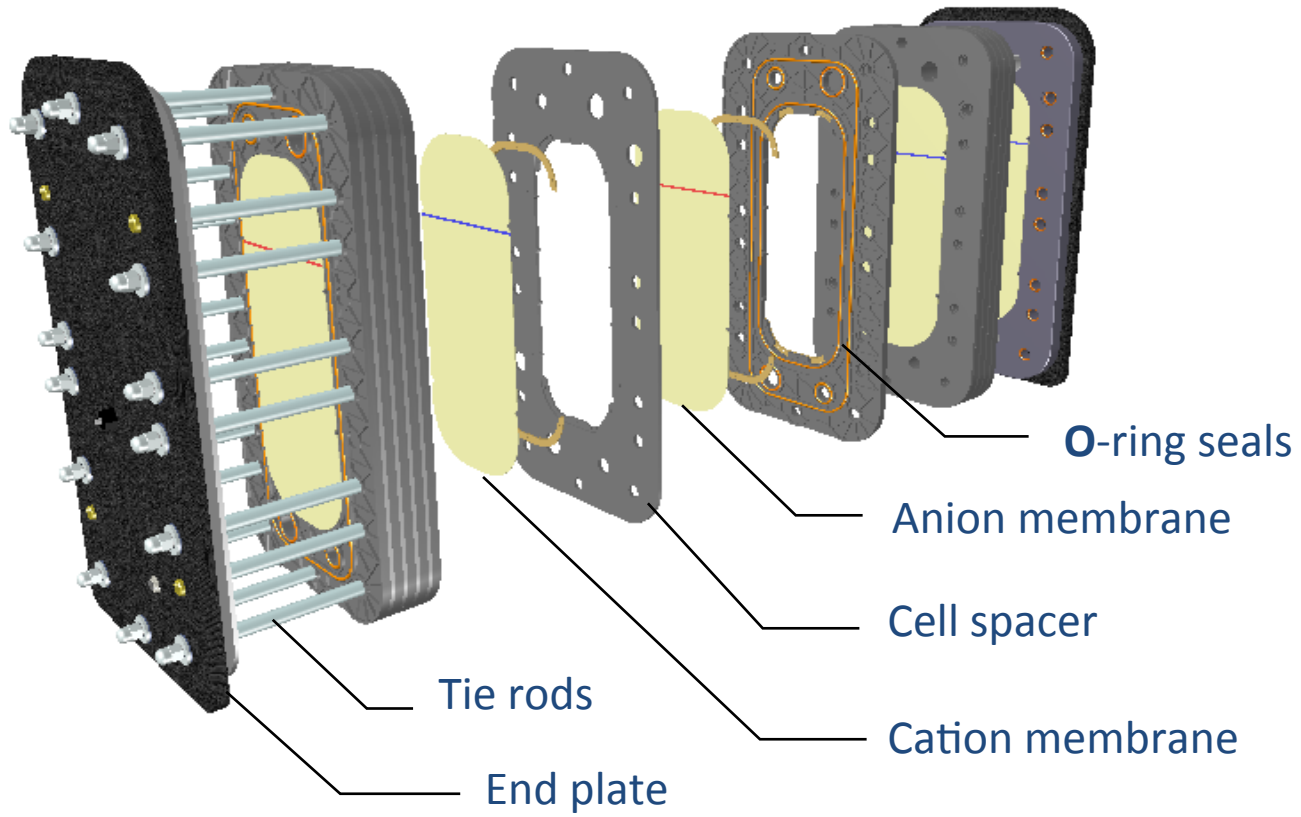
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Ion Exchange Membrane

Making:

Polyethylene powder mixed with ion exchange resin.

The mixture is extruded similar to plastic foils.

Characteristics:

- Membranes are watertight**
- Driving force for moving the ions is the electrical field**
- Ions can only move through the membrane with similar charge**

Cations through cation exchanger membrane

Anions through anion exchanger membrane

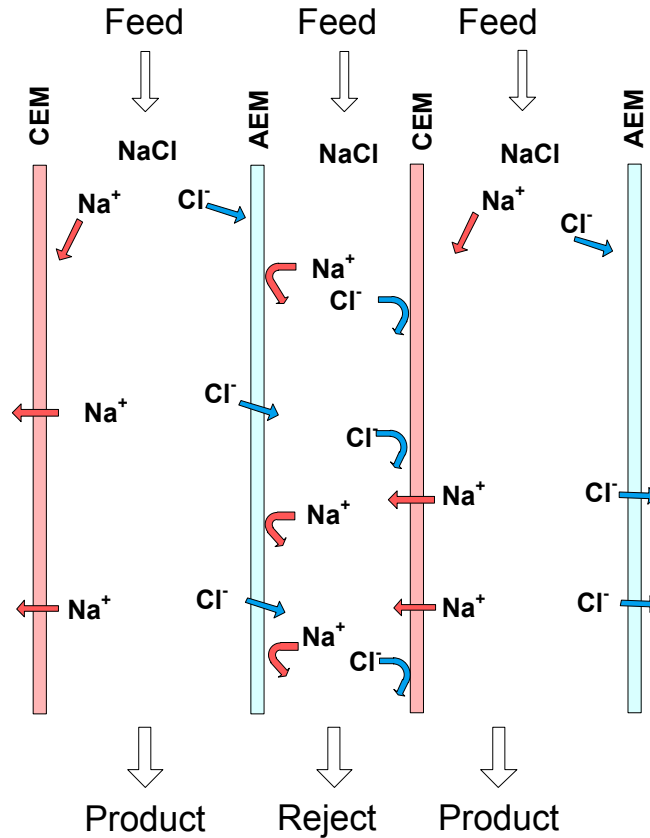
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Ion Exchange Membrane

OH⁻ ions are generated
pH > 12

cathode



H⁺ ions are generated
pH < 3

+ anode

AEM : Anion Exchanger Membrane
CEM : Cation Exchanger Membrane

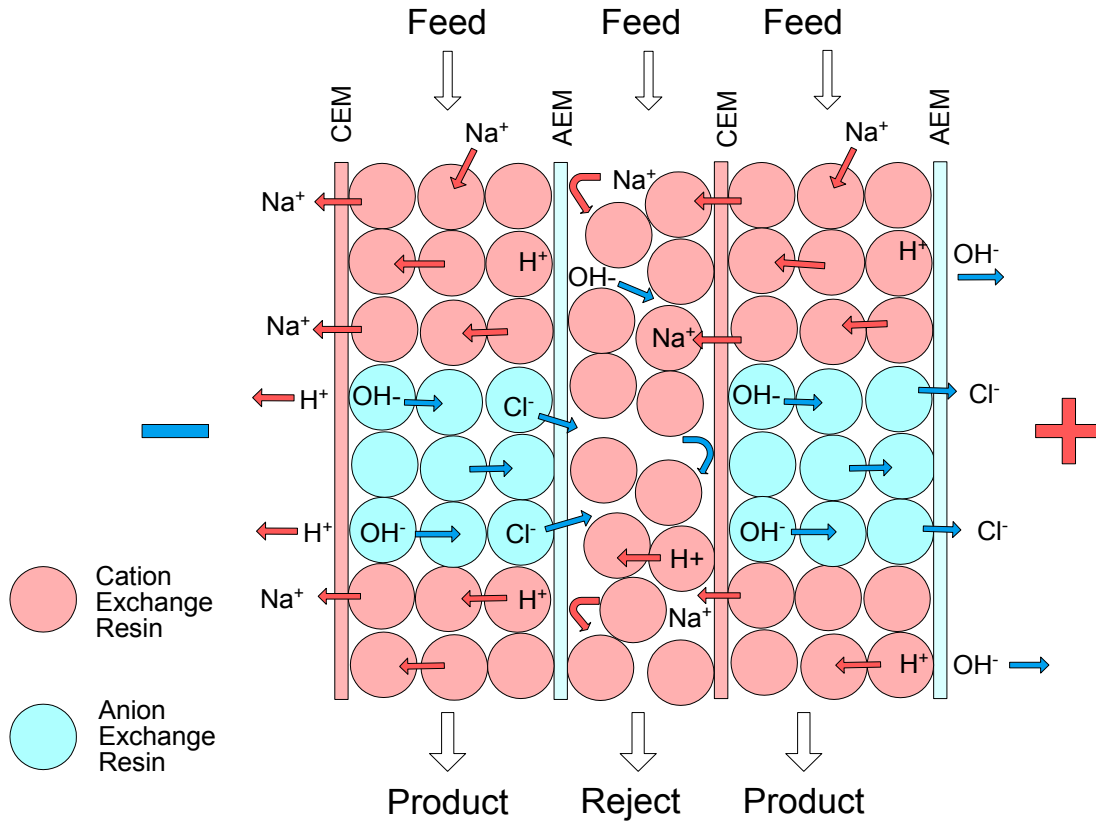
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Ion Exchange Resin

- Ion-exchange resin in the compartments improves the transport of the ions and the influence of the electrical field.
Ultrapure water in the electro de-ionization (EDI) stack has very low electrical conductivity.
That means high resistivity; hence, no current flow will occur without the support of the ion-exchange resin.
- Ion-exchange resin leads to splitting of water H^+ and OH^- on the resin surface.
With H^+ and OH^- ions, the resin will be regenerated continuously.
- Based on high pH, caused by OH^- ions, the weak acids CO_2 , SiO_2 and Bor can be removed.
- Resin capacity is not the most important characteristic.
The main purpose of the resin is only to support the ion transport.
- Based on the capacity of the ion exchanger, the EDI stack is able to work.
That enables desalination for some hours without power.

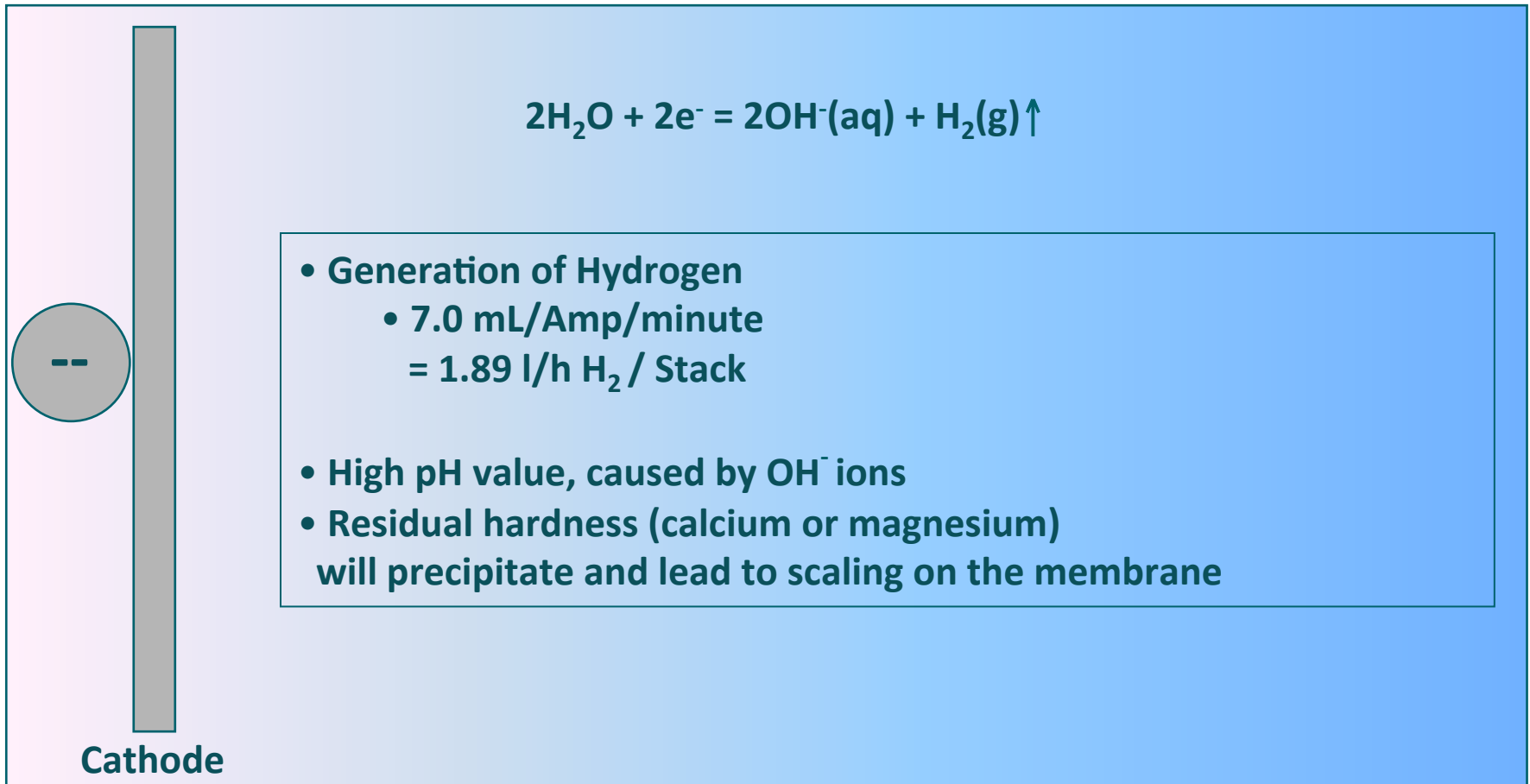
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Ion Exchange Resin



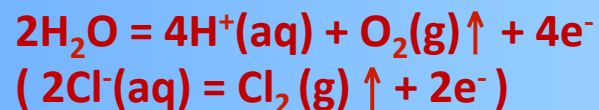
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Chemical Reactions at the Cathode

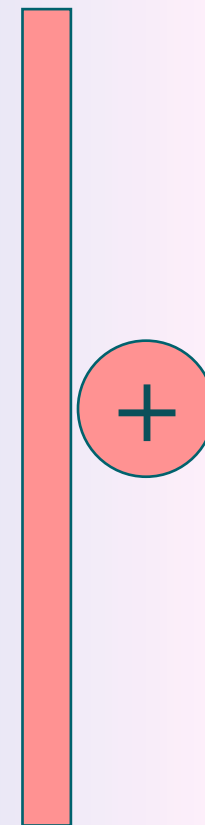


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Chemical Reactions at the Anode



- Generation of oxygen
 - 3.5 mL/Amp/minute
- Chlorine gas will be generated
 - 1-2 ppm in E_{out} (@400 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ NaCl)
- Low pH value, caused by H^+ ions



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Ultra Pure Water quality is affected by:

- Flow rate** -- higher the flow rate,
lower the dilute quality
- Temperature** -- lower the temperature,
lower the dilute quality
- Carbon dioxide** -- higher the CO₂ content,
lower the dilute quality
- Current** -- higher the amperage,
better the dilute quality,
better the removal of weak acids, CO₂ and SiO₂

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Benefits

- Compact design, low space requirement
- Pure water conductivity approx.
0.1 - 0.2 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$
- Recovery of 90 - 98 %
- Reduction of TOC, (ionized bacteria and endotoxins)
- Low pressure loss $\Delta p < 3$ bar
- Pressure proof up to 7 bar, no leakage
- Necessary voltage approx. 100 - 400 V DC
- Lifetime of modules approx. 5 years

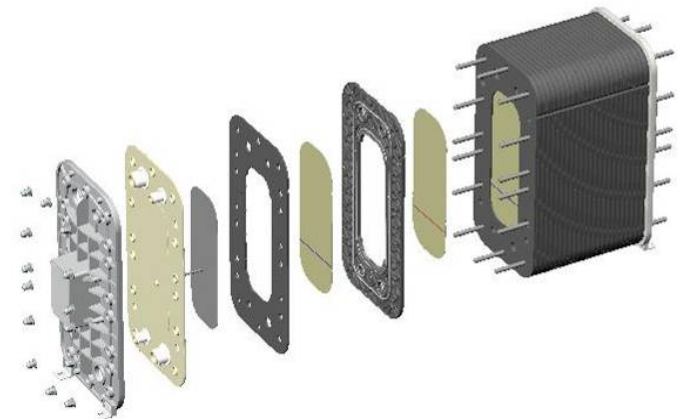
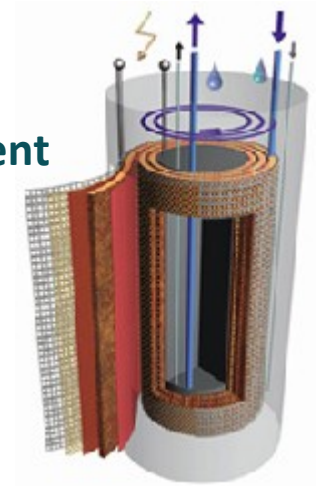


FDA: U.S. Food and Drug Administration
TOC: Total Organic Carbon

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Advantages of Plate Design to Spiral-Wound Design

- No need of concentrate recycle to increase conductivity leads to
 - No risk of scaling and chlorine build-up in concentrate compartment
 - No risk of microbiological contamination
 - Concentrate compartment incl. in hot water sanitization cycle
- Higher stability against pressure and temperature fluctuations
- Safety valve upstream EDI to avoid pressure hammers
- Longer average lifetime of EDI modules: 5 years
- EDI Stack with FDA declaration of conformity



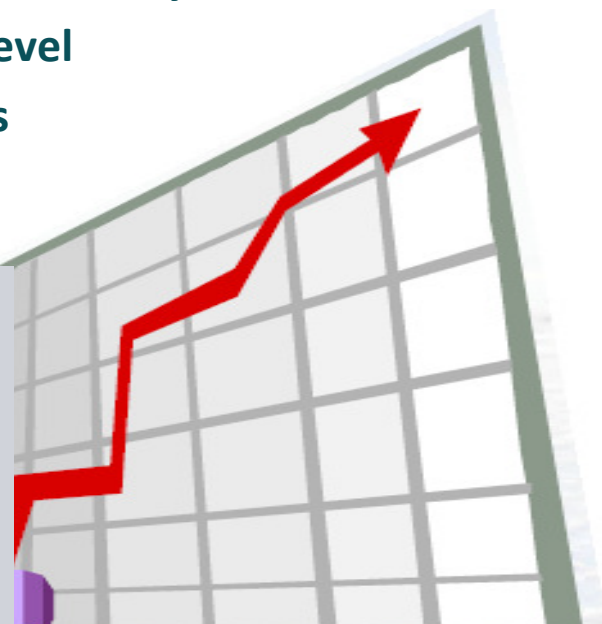
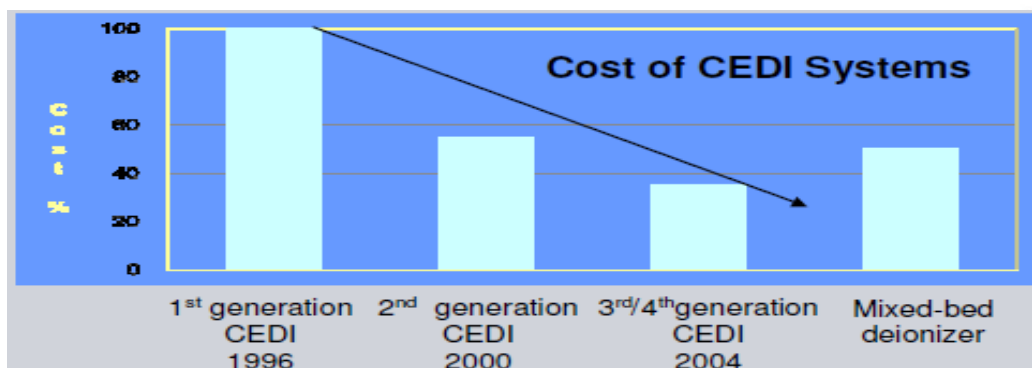
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A Current Look at Electro De-Ionization Market

Sale of Electro de ionization systems worldwide has increased.

(Continuous) Electro de-ionization (CEDI) is:

- Accepted as a replacement of existing Mixed Bed Ion eXchange systems
- Commonly specified as an option on new de-ionization systems
- Now equal to cost of two-pass RO on a system level
- Combination technology systems, RO/CEDI units
- Footprint savings



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Evolution of De-Ionization

CEDI: Continuous Electro De-Ionization

MBDI: Mixed Bed De-Ionization

RO : Reverse Osmosis

- **1st Generation**

Systems based on chemically regenerated ion exchange resins; the mixed-bed stage was preceded by separate units for both cation and anion exchange.

- **2nd Generation**

The need for reduced Total Organic Content (TOC) began the change to Reverse Osmosis (RO), which used membrane technology to dramatically reduce chemical usage in water treatment systems.

- **Current Generation**

The combination RO + continuous electro de-ionization (CEDI) has made the total elimination of regeneration chemical and brought other benefits.

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Facts About Electro De-Ionization

- **Electro de-ionization is a polishing technology. CEDI requires RO pretreatment. If RO is not present, CEDI is usually not viable.**
- **Not all CEDI is the same. The CEDI suppliers vary widely in terms of experience, product performance, robustness and operability.**
- **Some product quality specifications may be difficult to achieve.**
 - **Some low levels of Sodium and Silica (ppb) can be challenging if the feed is too high. (must be confirmed with projection software and experience).**
 - **In some cases, to use a CEDI, a two pass RO is required for pretreatment.**
- **High hardness in the feed-water leads to scaling. Requires more frequently cleaning and/or possibly a pre-RO softener.**
- **Unfortunately, early adopters of CEDI technology were sometimes the victim of misapplication, poor pretreatment design and improper operation.**

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Misconceptions About Electro De-Ionization

CEDI systems require a lot of power.

- CEDI systems typically require < 1 kW / 1000 gal (3.78 m³)
Comparison: typically half the power of an RO booster pump

CEDI systems are not robust (compared to MBDI - mixed bed deionization).

- As with MBDI, the more stable the pretreatment, the more stable the operation of the CEDI system.
- De-chlorination system problems will damage the RO and MBDI, as well as the CEDI system.

CEDI systems are prone to leaking.

- Some CEDI modules are guaranteed not to leak.

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Misconceptions About Electro De-Ionization

CEDI systems do not make the same quality water as MBDI.

CEDI systems require constant maintenance.

CEDI systems cost more than MBDI.

- **CEDI systems can produce equal quality water to MBDI.**
- **Ultra low sodium and silica specifications can be achieved with certain CEDI models.**
- **CEDI systems perform much like RO, performance changes gradually over time at which a cleaning is needed. (typically 1-2 times per year)**
- **With current steel & ion exchange resin prices, the cost of CEDI systems is often less than MBDI systems when all costs are included.**

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Why choose continuous EDI instead of MBDI?

CEDI has advantages in three significant parameters:

O - Operating Cost

- Cost of Chemicals for regenerations
- Cost of Water for regenerations
- Cost of Wastewater treatment (including equipment)

P - Performance

- Constant quality and production, no need for regenerations
- No bad regenerations or unexpected short runs

S - Space and Safety

MBDI systems require

- space for equipment,
- regeneration system, regeneration chemical storage,
- neutralization system, safety showers, etc.

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More reasons why...

- **Allows complete control over water system in house - nothing leaves or enters the plant.**
- **Consistent multi-megaohm product quality.**
- **Continuous, high recovery operation.**
- **Stable water quality over time.**
- **No regeneration chemicals or regeneration waste created.**
- **No upsets due to sub-standard regenerations.**
- **Smaller system footprint creates more facility space.**
- **Reduction of environmental, health and safety risks.**

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Operating Cost Savings

- With the rising cost of fossil fuels, power plants are looking to reduce their operating cost to maintain the profit levels.
- The de-mineralization system is one of the top contributors to plant operating cost
 - Chemicals
 - Water Usage
 - Waste Generation and Treatment
 - Labor

Let's take a closer look at the contributors...

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Cost of Chemicals

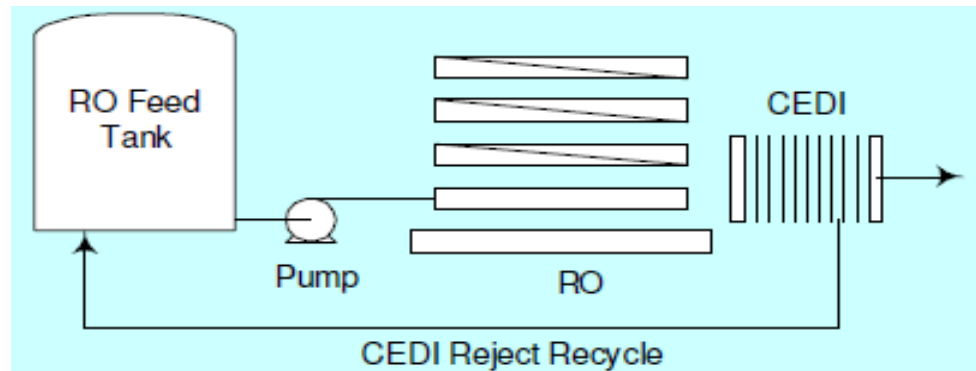
- The cost of ion exchange resins and other petroleum based materials have increased.
- A mixed bed de-mineralization plant consists of the anion column and the cation column, which are re-generated by caustic soda and hydrochloric acid, respectively... cost of both have increased.

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Water Usage, Waste Regeneration

- Electro de-ionization uses electricity instead of chemicals to regenerate.
- No need for regeneration system or neutralization system.
- No need for bulk acid/caustic storage.
- Reject from EDI is better quality than the RO feed water and can be discharged with no treatment.
- Reject from EDI system can be recycled upstream to the RO feed for reuse (which means EDI system is 100% recovery, zero waste process).
- Water savings both on the processing and waste ends.



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Labor Savings

- Like RO, continuous electro de-ionization (CEDI) is a constant production and performance process.
- As a result, the manpower to operate a CEDI system is very low, typical requirements are biweekly log readings of the key parameters and a water sample.
- Customer Quote #1: “The VNX CEDI system is so easy to operate; we have taken the demin operator and reassigned him to other more important duties”.
- Customer Quote #2: “We used to call the demin system the ‘demoralization system’ based upon all the problems we had. The CEDI system is a breath of fresh air”.

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Use “Environment Friendly” technologies that are high efficiency and designed to:

-- REDUCE

- Reduce chemical usage
- Reduce water usage, growing restrictions
- Reduce waste generated, discharge limits becoming more stringent
- Reduce bulk chemical handling, focus on plant safety,

-- RE-USE

- Repair existing equipment or replace with green technologies

-- RECYCLE

- Recycle upon exhaustion

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Case story #1 - Small Flow System

System Details:

- 50 gpm (11.4 m³/h)
- 11 µS/cm feed water
- 24/7 operation
- 2 x 30" dia MBDI
- 1 VNX system

MBDI: Mixed Bed De-Ionization

VNX®: Continuous EDI

| MBDI SYSTEM OPERATING COST SUMMARY | | |
|---|---------------------|--------------|
| Replacement Resin cost | \$ 6,376 | \$ |
| Chemical cost per regen | \$ 35 | \$/regen |
| Wastewater cost per regen | \$ 9 | \$/regen |
| Annual manpower cost * | \$ 6,168 | \$/yr |
| Annual resin cost * | \$ 1,275 | \$/yr |
| Annual chemical cost * | \$ 1,727 | \$/yr |
| Annual wastewater cost * | \$ 444 | \$/yr |
| Annual Waste permitting cost | Not included | |
| Annual safety training | Not included | |
| * Calculated | | |
| TOTAL MBDI SYSTEM OPERATING COST \$/YR | \$9,614 | \$/yr |

| VNX SYSTEM OPERATING COST SUMMARY | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------|
| Electricity Cost per VNX module per day | \$ 0.07 | \$/day |
| Electricity Cost per VNX Skid | \$ 0.07 | \$/day/skid |
| Chemical cost per clean | \$ 100 | \$/clean |
| Wastewater cost per regen | None | \$/regen |
| Annual module cost per skid* | \$ 1,875 | \$/yr |
| Annual Electricity cost* | \$ 24 | \$/yr |
| Annual manpower cost * | \$ 800 | \$/yr |
| Annual cleaning cost | \$ 200 | \$/yr |
| Annual wastewater cost * | None needed | \$/yr |
| Annual Waste permitting cost | None needed | \$/yr |
| Annual safety training | None needed | \$/yr |
| TOTAL VNX SYSTEM OPERATING COST \$/YR | \$2,898.73 | \$/yr |
| OPERATING COST SAVINGS USING VNX | | \$6,715 |
| % SAVINGS USING VNX | | 70% |

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Case story #2 - Medium Flow System

System Details:

- 300 gpm (68.3 m3/h)
- 11 µS/cm feed water
- 24/7 operation
- 2 x 60" dia MBDI
- 1 x 6 VNX system

MBDI: Mixed Bed De-Ionization

VNX®: Continuous EDI

| MBDI SYSTEM OPERATING COST SUMMARY | | |
|---|---------------------|--------------|
| Replacement Resin cost | \$ 26,301 | \$ |
| Chemical cost per regen | \$ 144 | \$/regen |
| Wastewater cost per regen | \$ 37 | \$/regen |
| Annual manpower cost * | \$ 8,971 | \$/yr |
| Annual resin cost * | \$ 5,260 | \$/yr |
| Annual chemical cost * | \$ 10,363 | \$/yr |
| Annual wastewater cost * | \$ 2,665 | \$/yr |
| Annual Waste permitting cost | Not included | |
| Annual safety training | Not included | |
| * Calculated | | |
| TOTAL MBDI SYSTEM OPERATING COST \$/YR | \$27,258 | \$/yr |

| VNX SYSTEM OPERATING COST SUMMARY | | |
|--|--------------------|-----------------|
| Electricity Cost per VNX module per day | \$ 0.07 | \$/day |
| Electricity Cost per VNX Skid | \$ 0.39 | \$/day/skid |
| Chemical cost per clean | \$ 100 | \$/clean |
| Wastewater cost per regen | None | \$/regen |
| Annual module cost per skid* | \$ 11,250 | \$/yr |
| Annual Electricity cost* | \$ 142 | \$/yr |
| Annual manpower cost * | \$ 800 | \$/yr |
| Annual cleaning cost | \$ 200 | \$/yr |
| Annual wastewater cost * | None needed | \$/yr |
| Annual Waste permitting cost | None needed | \$/yr |
| Annual safety training | None needed | \$/yr |
| TOTAL VNX SYSTEM OPERATING COST \$/YR | \$12,392.35 | \$/yr |
| OPERATING COST SAVINGS USING VNX | | \$14,866 |
| % SAVINGS USING VNX | | 55% |

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Case story #3 - Large Flow System

System Details:

- 1000 gpm (227.12 m³/h)
- 11 µS/cm feed water
- 24/7 operation
- 2 x 114" dia MBDI
- 4 x 5 VNX system

MBDI: Mixed Bed De-Ionization

VNX®: Continuous EDI

NOTE: If the feed water is >11µS/cm, the operating cost saving by using VNX is even higher

| MBDI SYSTEM OPERATING COST SUMMARY | | |
|---|---------------------|--------------|
| Replacement Resin cost | \$ 95,426 | \$ |
| Chemical cost per regen | \$ 524 | \$/regen |
| Wastewater cost per regen | \$ 135 | \$/regen |
| Annual manpower cost * | \$ 8,241 | \$/yr |
| Annual resin cost * | \$ 19,085 | \$/yr |
| Annual chemical cost * | \$ 34,542 | \$/yr |
| Annual wastewater cost * | \$ 8,882 | \$/yr |
| Annual Waste permitting cost | Not included | |
| Annual safety training | Not included | |
| * Calculated | | |
| TOTAL MBDI SYSTEM OPERATING COST \$/YR | \$70,751 | \$/yr |

| VNX SYSTEM OPERATING COST SUMMARY | | |
|--|--------------------|-----------------|
| Electricity Cost per VNX module per day | \$ 0.07 | \$/day |
| Electricity Cost per VNX Skid | \$ 1.30 | \$/day/skid |
| Chemical cost per clean | \$ 400 | \$/clean |
| Wastewater cost per regen | None | \$/regen |
| Annual module cost per skid* | \$ 42,857 | \$/yr |
| Annual Electricity cost* | \$ 475 | \$/yr |
| Annual manpower cost * | \$ 400 | \$/yr |
| Annual cleaning cost | \$ 400 | \$/yr |
| Annual wastewater cost * | None needed | \$/yr |
| Annual Waste permitting cost | None needed | \$/yr |
| Annual safety training | None needed | \$/yr |
| TOTAL VNX SYSTEM OPERATING COST \$/YR | \$44,131.64 | \$/yr |
| OPERATING COST SAVINGS USING VNX / YR | | \$26,619 |
| % SAVINGS USING VNX | | 38% |

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Operating Cost Comparison

Customer Quote:

“Purchase price is important but not the #1. The cost to operate the system is just as important, since I have to live with those costs year after year”

- **The cost of operating a chemical regenerated MBDI is increasing every year based upon the acid/caustic costs**
- **The cost of operating a CEDI system is electricity and cleaning chemicals (CIP on a quarterly basis)**
- **The typical amount of power needed to operate a CEDI system is one half of an RO booster pump**

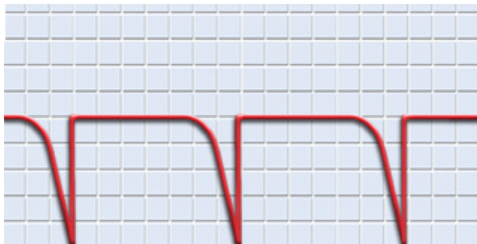
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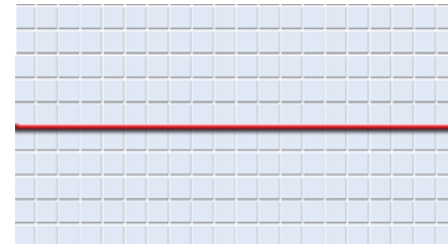
Customer Quote:

“The system must meet my water specification and production requirements”

- CEDI can meet the same quality as MBDI product water with no break.
- Bad regenerations or loss of high purity resin layer in MBDI results in leakage and short vessel run lengths.
- Specialized CEDI modules can surpass MBDI in terms of boron and silica removal. (These modules are typically used in supercritical boilers or Microelectronics.)
- Constant, stable, predictable CEDI system product quality
- Constant, stable, predictable production; no spikes or “unexpected” breaks



MBDI is a batch operation with potential breaks



CEDI delivers constant and consistent product water quality

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Space and Safety Savings

When estimating the "cost of owning", don't forget the other associated costs.

Space savings:

- CEDI systems require less floor space when comparing just the MBDI vessels.

| m ³ /h | MBDI | CEDI | saving |
|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 11 | 4.2 m ² | 1.4 m ² | 67% |
| 68 | 15.8 m ² | 7 m ² | 56% |
| 227 | 31.6 m ² | 13.9 m ² | 56% |
| 681 | 267.9 m ² | 62.7 m ² | 77% |

Safety:

- The plant is inherently safer, without the need for bulk acid/caustic storage.
- Don't forget the soft costs, such as safety showers, containment equipment and other costs associated with chemical storage.



100 m³/h skid

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Conclusion

- **Little operation cost**
 - Require little energy
 - Continuous operation results in lower labor costs
 - Does not require hazardous chemical as MBDI does
- **Smaller footprint than MBDI**
 - Require less facilities in comparison to MBDI
- **CEDI as a polisher after RO**
- **Consistent quality of produced water**
- **RO+CEDI can be the economically preferred choice,
environmentally friendly and safe.**

A quantum leap over traditional water treatment technologies

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