# Alternative routes for hydrogenation of metallic species

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# hydrogen location in metals

### Relevant tool = neutron diffraction

Interstitial sites
Tetrahedral
Octahedral



# Hydrures InterstitielsvsHydrures à Haute Densité de Lacunes



Diagramme d'état Composition-Pression à différentes températures du système palladiumhydrogène. La courbe de décomposition spinodale est clairement préfigurée par l'ensemble des isothermes.

Transformations de phases avec compétition des forces de liaison métal-métal, métalhydrogène et métal-lacune.

Diffusion métal **x** 10<sup>3</sup> à 10<sup>5</sup>



### Hydrogen-induced vacancy structures in metals

High pressure hydrogenation activates metal atoms diffusion

 Defect-hydride structures may be then stabilized



# **High Pressure hydrogenation**



# NANO-STRUCTURES METALLIQUES SOUS HAUTE PRESSION D'HYDROGENE ET A HAUTE TEMPERATURE



#### DIMENSIONS :

H : 7 mm;  $\phi$  : 7 mm épaisseur des parois de NaCl : 1 mm épaisseur disque de métal : 0.1-0.2 mm èpaisseur disque RN : 0.1 0.2 mm



Schéma de l'enclume de type CONAC illustrant l'environnement et la position de la cellule.

L'échantillon métallique est mis à réagir sous pression P > 3 GPa et en température T >  $350^{\circ}$ C (décomposition de C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)

### Synchrotron XRD studies

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# Physical properties



Susceptibilité magnétique et susceptibilité inverse du palladium lacunaire hydruré (Pd<sub>3</sub>(□-H<sub>x</sub>)).

### Nano-pores in metals













Size distribution of nanopores in Ni submitted to a HHP of 3.5 GPa at 800  $^{\circ}$ C for 5 h, and subsequently heat treated at 600  $^{\circ}$ C for 20 and 40 min.

### Hydrogen-induced vacancy structures in metals



Vacancy coalescence in the dislocation-rich region (pore size = 50 nm) Subsequent heat treatment gives way to vacancy coalescence resulting in nanoporous materials

 This technique of generating vacancies in a hydride phase provides a method to introduce
vacancies in metals from which novel properties can be expected

# Oxide nanoparticles in a metal matrix

Controlled oxidization
+ subsequent high
pressure
hydrogenation leads
to :

precipitation of oxide nanoparticles in the metal matrix (e.g. Pd-based)



(Ce, O), Pd 50% Pd - 50% Ce 2% Ce - 98% Pd

# Oxide nanoparticles in a metal matrix

 high pressure hydrogenation leads to hydrogen-induced phase separation

 Active catalytic precipitates coherently distributed can be thus synthesized



# Investigation of two systems $(Pd_{0.8}Rh_{0.2})_{0.97}Ce_{0.03}, Pd_{0.97}Al_{0.03}, \& (Pd_{0.9}Pt_{0.1})_{0.97}Al_{0.03})$

### **Prospective materials for catalysis**



# (Pd<sub>0,9</sub>Rh<sub>0,1</sub>)<sub>0,97</sub>Ce<sub>0,03</sub> H.P.Hydrogenated New Rh-rich phase

### 3,5 GPa – 5h – 800°C



\*Azambuja V. et al., Journal of Alloys and Compounds, Volumes 356-357, 11 August 2003

### oxidization of PdCe

CeO2 intergrowth along [110]  $_{Pd}$ 



Pd & Ce are substituted (antiphase)

metal species e.g. Pd, Rh, Pt,...

### Metal-Oxide Composite



Oxide layer -  $(ZrO_2, Al_2O_3, CeO_2,...)$ 



### Special steels : enhanced metal fatigue under HP

Aciers spéciaux pour forages pétroliers off-shore à grande profondeur C : 0,41 - Cr : 25,5 - Ni : 34,9 - Mn : 1,03 Si : 1,91 - Nb : 0,78 - Ti : 0,04 - Fe : balance



Typical micrograph of the HP 45 stainless steel with Nb and Ti additions in the as-cast condition.



Microstructure of the HP 45 stainless steel after treatment with a low hydrogen pressure of 0.1 Pa for 100 h at 1200 K.



. Microstructure of the HP 45 stainless steel after treatment with a high-hydrogen pressure of 5 GPa for 1 h at 873 K.

Traitements de 100 à 1000 heures à environ 1200 K sous 0,1 Pa H<sub>2</sub> pour simuler le vieillisement des aciers La précipitation des mêmes matériaux de vieillissement aux joints de grains(ex : (Nb,Ti)<sub>23</sub>C<sub>6</sub> = phase fragile) est réalisée en 1h sous 5 GPa et à moins de 900 K. Plasma-based ion implantation (PBII) : a valuable technology for the elaboration of nanostructured thin films

PBII used to tailor the surface and physical properties of nanoporous materials.

 Elaboration of nanostructures by implantation through a mask. Catalytic pattern obtained by implantation of catalytic species.

Catalysts with active sites designed on the nanoscale can be obtained



### **PBII Reactor**



#### Nanoporous alumina membranes

Ordered channels networks in alumina, resulting nanoporous membranes may be used as templates .

Masking with alumina membranes allows transfer of the hole pattern.

Porous structures (functionalized for catalysis) can be produced.

Resulting nanopore arrays are extremely well ordered and monodisperse.

These patterns can be used as templates or reference materials in the field of structural characterisation of porous media (SAXS, SANS).



In 0.5 M (COOH)2



In 10 wt % H,PO,



# Hydrogenation by means of PBII



### PBBI induces reordering of the f.c.c. lattice