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This volume combines the proceedings of the 1987 SEI Conference on Software Engineering Education, held in Monroeville, Pennsylvania on April 30 and May 1, 1987, with the set of papers that formed the basis for that conference. The conference was sponsored by the Software Engineering Institute (SEI) of Carnegie-Mellon University. SEI is a federally-funded research and development center established by the United States Department of Defense to improve the state of software technology. The Education Division of SEI is charged with improving the state of software engineering education. This is the third volume on software engineering education to be published by Springer-Verlag. The first (Software Engineering Education: Needs and Objectives, edited by Tony Wasserman and Peter Freeman) was published in 1976. That volume documented a workshop in which educators and industrialists explored needs and objectives in software engineering education. The second volume (Software Engineering Education: The Educational Needs of the Software Community, edited by Norm Gibbs and Richard Fairley) was published in 1986. The 1986 volume contained the proceedings of a limited attendance workshop held at SEI and sponsored by SEI and Wang Institute. In contrast to the 1986 Workshop, which was limited in attendance to 35 participants, the 1987 Conference attracted approximately 180 participants. The Pillow Book of Sei Shonagon is a fascinating, detailed account of Japanese court life in the eleventh century. Written by a lady of the court at the height of Heian culture, this book enthralled with its lively gossip, witty observations, and subtle impressions. Lady Shonagon was an erstwhile rival of Lady Murasaki, whose novel, *The Tale of Genji*, fictionalized the elite world Lady Shonagon so eloquently relates. Featuring reflections on royal and religious ceremonies, nature, conversation, poetry, and many other subjects, *The Pillow Book* is an intimate look at the experiences and outlook of the Heian upper class, further enriched by Ivan Morris's extensive notes and critical contextualization. Two years ago, Sei buried her daughter. Two days ago, she found out she was alive. This digital box set includes the first two books in this heart-pounding, five-book series. Contract: Snatch After her daughter's death, ex-assassin Sei fled to the Ardennes forests of Belgium to try to find peace. But a mysterious source contacts her, promising to return her daughter. Simply take on one last job: break a notorious assassin out of jail. Diyarbakir Prison is the most dangerous place in Turkey. If torture doesn't kill a prisoner, the guards will. Breaking out is impossible. Breaking in is insane. But if Sei ever wants to see her daughter again, she'll have no choice but to agree to the plan. Contract: Sicko Sei learns about an individual involved in the abduction of her daughter—a man so vile, so foul in every way, that the mere thought of him turns Sei's stomach. To make matters worse, Sei must do the unthinkable when she finds this sicko. She must befriend him. What readers are saying: "???? I never thought I would be cheering on an assassin, but it's hard to not love this character. ????? I had fun trying to guess Sei's next move. I was never correct. ????? Hard to imagine how this author created a character so clever, intelligent and gifted. And a woman, no less. ????? Assassins may not be the best people in the world, but Sei makes you root for the best for her. ????? Drama, mystery, and a hard punch from the beginning. Start a series you won't ever want to put down. Pick up the first two books in the Sei thriller series. The Makura no Sōshi, or *The Pillow Book* as it is generally known in English, is a collection of personal reflections and anecdotes about life in the Japanese royal court composed around the turn of the eleventh century by a woman known as Sei Shōnagon. Its opening section, which begins *haru wa akebono*, or "spring, dawn," is arguably the single most famous passage in Japanese literature. Throughout its long life, *The Pillow Book* has been translated countless times. It has captured the European imagination with its lyrical style, compelling images and the striking personal voice of its author. *Worlding Sei Shōnagon* guides the reader through the remarkable translation history of *The Pillow Book* in the West, gathering almost fifty translations of the "spring, dawn" passage, which span one-hundred-and-thirty-five years and sixteen languages. Many of the translations are made readily available for the first time in this study. The versions collected in *Worlding Sei Shōnagon* are an enlightening example of the many ways in which translations can differ from their source text, undermining the idea of translation as the straightforward transfer of meaning from one language to another, one culture to another. By tracing the often convoluted trajectory through which a once wholly foreign literary work becomes domesticated—or resists domestication—this compilation also exposes the various historical, ideological or other forces that inevitably shape our experience of literature, for better or for worse. Japan in the 10th century stood physically and culturally isolated from the rest of the world. Inside this bubble, a subtle and beautiful world was in operation, and its inhabitants were tied to the moment, having no interest in the future and disdain for the past. The *Pillow Book of Sei Shonagon* was a product of a tenth century courtier's experiences in the palace of Empress Teishi. A common custom of the time period, courtiers used to keep notes or a diary in a wooden pillow with a drawer. This "pillow book" reflects the confident aesthetic judgments of Shonagon and her ability to create prose that crossed into the realm of the poetic. The *Pillow Book of Sei Shonagon* is one of the earliest examples of diary literature whose passages chronicle the events of the court calendar, the ceremonies and celebrations specific to Teishi's court, and the vignettes that provide brilliantly drawn glimpses into the manners and foibles of the aristocracy. A contemporary of Murasaki Shikibu, the author of *The Tale of Genji*, this small diary brings an added dimension to Murasaki's timeless and seminal work. Arthur Waley's elegant translation of *The Pillow Book of Sei Shonagon* captures the beauty of its prose and the vitality of Shonagon's narrative voice, as well as her quirky personality traits. In a place and time where poetry was as important as knowledge and beauty was highly revered, Sei Shonagon's private writings give the reader a charming and intimate glimpse into a time of isolated innocence and pale beauty. Many organizations that have improved process maturity through Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI®) now also want greater agility. Conversely, many organizations that are succeeding with Agile methods now want the benefits of more mature processes. The solution is to integrate CMMI and Agile. Integrating CMMI® and Agile Development offers broad guidance for melding these process improvement methodologies. It presents six detailed case studies, along with essential real-world lessons, big-picture insights, and mistakes to avoid. Drawing on decades of process improvement experience, author Paul McMahon explains how combining an Agile approach with the CMMI process improvement framework is the fastest, most effective way to achieve your business objectives. He offers practical, proven techniques for CMMI and Agile integration, including new ways to extend Agile into system engineering and project management and to optimize performance by focusing on your organization's unique, culture-related weaknesses. The data analyzed are drawn from SEI software process assessments of 59 government and industry software sites. This work is an analysis of existing assessment data rather than a designed study. The participating sites were not randomly selected; accordingly, they do not necessarily constitute a statistically valid sampling of the U.S. software industry." "This is an incredibly wise and useful book. The authors have considerable real-world experience in delivering quality systems that matter, and their expertise shines through in these pages. Here you will learn what technical debt is, what is it not, how to manage it, and how to pay it down in responsible ways. This is a book I wish I had when I was just beginning my career. The authors present a myriad of case studies, born from years of experience, and offer a multitude of actionable insights for how to apply it to your project." —Grady Booch, IBM Fellow Master Best Practices for Managing Technical Debt to Promote Software Quality and Productivity As software systems mature, earlier design or code decisions made in the context of budget or schedule constraints increasingly impede evolution and innovation. This phenomenon is called technical debt, and practical solutions exist. In *Managing Technical Debt*, three leading experts introduce integrated, empirically developed principles and practices that any software professional can use to gain control of technical debt in any software system. Using real-life examples, the authors explain the forms of technical debt that afflict software-intensive systems, their root causes, and their impacts. They introduce proven approaches for identifying and assessing specific sources of technical debt, limiting new debt, and "paying off" debt over time. They describe how to establish managing technical debt as a core software engineering practice in your organization. Discover how technical debt damages manageability, quality, productivity, and morale—and what you can do about it Clarify root causes of debt, including the linked roles of business goals, source code, architecture, testing, and infrastructure Identify technical debt items, and analyze their costs so you can prioritize action Choose the right solution for each technical debt item: eliminate, reduce, or mitigate Integrate software engineering practices that minimize new debt *Managing Technical Debt* will be a valuable resource for every software professional who wants to accelerate innovation in existing systems, or build new systems that will be easier to maintain and evolve. List of transactions, v. 1-41 in v. 41. In situ spectroscopic ellipsometry was employed to study the initial stage of SEI layer formation on thin-film LiMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> electrodes. It was found that the SEI layer formed immediately upon exposure of the electrode to EC/DMC (1:1 by vol) 1.0 M LiPF<sub>6</sub> electrolyte. The SEI layer thickness then increased in proportion to a logarithmic function of elapsed time. In comparison, the SEI layer thickness on a cycled electrode increased in proportion to a linear function of the number of cycles. This dissertation, "Functional Studies of SEI-1 and eIF5A2: Candidate Oncogenes Isolated From Frequently Amplified Regions of Ovarian Carcinomas" by Dongjiang, Tang, ???, was obtained from The University of Hong Kong (Pokfulam, Hong Kong) and is being sold pursuant to Creative Commons: Attribution 3.0 Hong Kong License. The content of this dissertation has not been altered in any way. We have altered the formatting in order to facilitate the ease of printing and reading of the dissertation. All rights not granted by the above license are retained by the author. Abstract: Abstract Tang Dongjiang Abstract of thesis entitled Functional Studies of SEI-1 and eIF5A2: Candidate Oncogenes Isolated from Frequently Amplified Regions in Ovarian Carcinomas Submitted by Tang Dongjiang for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at The University of Hong Kong in January 2006 Carcinogenesis is a multi-step multi-mechanism process which involves altered functions of many different oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes. To understand how these molecular events act in concert to cause cancer, it is important to decipher the functions of individual oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes. Ovarian cancer is a leading cause of cancer death in women. Due to the lack of effective tools for early diagnosis, most patients present with advanced form of the disease. Cytogenetic studies have revealed that chromosome 19q13.1-13.2 and chromosome 3q26 iAbstract Tang Dongjiang are among the most frequently amplified regions in ovarian cancer, indicating that important oncogenes may reside on these regions that contribute to the pathogenesis of ovarian cancer. Amplification of 19q13.1-13.2 has also been reported for pancreatic carcinomas and lung cancer, while 3q26 amplification is frequently observed in lung, esophageal, prostate, breast, and nasopharyngeal cancers. In this thesis, advanced technologies, including tissue microarrays, cDNA microarrays, two-dimensional gel based proteomic approach and RNA interference, have been used in combination with other conventional molecular and cytogenetic methods in the functional characterization of two important candidate oncogenes SEI-1 and eIF5A2 which were isolated from Chromosome 19q13.1-13.2 and chromosome 3q26 respectively. Evidence has been presented in this thesis to reveal that nuclear protein SEI-1, when over-expressed, is capable of inducing chromosomal instability and oncogenic transformation. Moreover, silencing of SEI-1 gene expression by siRNAs in ovarian cancer cell line SKOV3 inhibits cell growth as well as colony formation on soft agar. These are the first lines of evidence to establish the cell cycle modulator SEI-1 as an oncogene. Tissue microarray analysis further demonstrated that over-expression of SEI-1 correlates with more aggressive types of ovarian carcinomas. An important finding in the iiAbstract Tang Dongjiang SEI-1 gene study is that aberrant expression of SEI-1 causes both numerical and structural changes in the chromosomes, including the formation of double minutes. eIF5A2 is a newly isolated oncogene at chromosome 3q26. Unlike eIF5A1 which is ubiquitously expressed in mammalian cells, eIF5A2 is normally expressed at a very low level, but amplified and over-expressed in certain cancer cell lines, including but not limited to ovarian cancer cell lines. In this study, over-expression of eIF5A2 was found to promote cancer cell migration in vitro and tumor metastasis in vivo. Inhibition of eIF5A2 expression by siRNA impaired cell migration. Microarray analysis revealed that eIF5A2 activates an array of genes that are involved in the regulation of cell survival and motility. Involvement of stress fiber indicated that Rho pathway activation may play a role in the modulation of cell migration and cancer metastasis by eIF5A2. In summary, using molecular and cytogenetic approach The Software Engineering institute (SEI) is a federally funded research and development center sponsored by the Department of Defense (DoD). It was chartered by the Undersecretary of Defense for Research and Engineering on June 15, 1984. The SEI was established and is operated by Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) under contract F19628-85-C-0003, which was competitively awarded on December 28, 1984, by the Air Force Electronic System Division. The mission of the SEI is to provide the means to bring the ablest minds and the most effective technology to bear on the rapid improvement of the quality of operational software in mission-critical computer systems; to accelerate the reduction to practice of modern software engineering techniques and methods; to promulgate the use of modern techniques and methods throughout the mission-critical systems community; and to establish standards of excellence for the practice of software engineering. This report provides a summary of the programs and projects, staff, facilities, and service accomplishments of the Software Engineering Institute during 1987. (KR). Abstract: "Each year, the Software Engineering Institute (SEI) undertakes several Independent Research and Development (IR & D) projects. These projects serve to (1) support feasibility studies investigating whether further work by the SEI would be of potential benefit, and (2) support further exploratory work to determine whether there is sufficient value in eventually funding the feasibility study work as an SEI initiative. Projects are chosen based on their potential to mature and/or transition software engineering practices, develop information that will help in deciding whether further work is worth funding, and set new directions for SEI work. This report describes the IR & D projects that were conducted during fiscal year 2004 (October 2003 through September 2004). In addition, this report provides information on what the SEI has learned in its role as a technology scout for developments over the past year in the field of software engineering." CMMI® for Services (CMMI-SVC) is a comprehensive set of guidelines to help organizations establish and improve processes for delivering services. By adapting and extending proven standards and best practices to reflect the unique challenges faced in service industries, CMMI-SVC offers providers a practical and focused framework for

achieving higher levels of service quality, controlling costs, improving schedules, and ensuring user satisfaction. A member of the newest CMMI model, CMMI-SVC Version 1.3, reflects changes to the model made for all constellations, including clarifications of high-maturity practices, alignment of the sixteen core process areas, and improvements in the SCAMPI appraisal method. The indispensable CMMI® for Services, Second Edition, is both an introduction to the CMMI-SVC model and an authoritative reference for it. The contents include the complete model itself, formatted for quick reference. In addition, the book's authors have refined the model's introductory chapters; provided marginal notes to clarify the nature of particular process areas and to show why their practices are valuable; and inserted longer sidebars to explain important concepts. Brief essays by people with experience in different application areas further illustrate how the model works in practice and what benefits it offers. The book is divided into three parts. Part One begins by thoroughly explaining CMMI-SVC, its concepts, and its use. The authors provide robust information about service concepts, including a discussion of lifecycles in service environments; outline how to start using CMMI-SVC; explore how to achieve process improvements that last; and offer insights into the relationships among process areas. Part Two describes generic goals and practices, and then details the complete set of twenty-four CMMI-SVC process areas, including specific goals, specific practices, and examples. The process areas are organized alphabetically by acronym and are tabbed for easy reference. Part Three contains several useful resources, including CMMI-SVC-related references, acronym definitions, a glossary of terms, and an index. Whether you are new to CMMI models or are already familiar with one or more of them, this book is an essential resource for service providers interested in learning about or implementing process improvement. The classic portrayal of court life in tenth-century Japan Written by the court gentlewoman Sei Shonagon, ostensibly for her own amusement, *The Pillow Book* offers a fascinating exploration of life among the nobility at the height of the Heian period, describing the exquisite pleasures of a confined world in which poetry, love, fashion, and whim dominated, while harsh reality was kept firmly at a distance. Moving elegantly across a wide range of themes including nature, society, and her own flirtations, Sei Shonagon provides a witty and intimate window on a woman's life at court in classical Japan. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators. This is the eagerly-anticipated revision to one of the seminal books in the field of software architecture which clearly defines and explains the topic. The Software Engineering Institute's (SEI) Capability Maturity Model (CMM) is analyzed to identify its technological and economic applicability for the Joint Information Technology (JIT), Supreme Command Headquarters, Royal Thai Ministry of Defense. Kurt Lewin's force field theory was used to analyze different dimensions of CMM's applicability for JIT's organizational environment (defined by the stakeholder concept). It suggests that introducing CMM technology into JIT is unwarranted at this time. CMM fails to incorporate several dimensions of software engineering management which are particularly relevant to JIT (e.g., human resource management, software engineering methods, tools and technology constraints and the model's applicability to a small organization). Furthermore, JIT faces technological and cultural barriers (e.g., little enthusiasm among JIT's personnel for accommodating new technology and change, insufficient budgetary resources, a short-term decision time horizon which may under value the long-term benefits of software process improvement, and incongruity between JIT's hierarchial-bureaucratic management and CMM's management philosophies). However, this study may help germinate the interest of JIT's technology gatekeeper in adopting CMM in the near term. 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Hard to imagine how this author created a character so clever, intelligent, and gifted. And a woman, no less. ????? Drama, mystery, and a hard punch from the beginning. ????? Characterization is fantastic; story is engaging, and an excellent plot. ????? I love a book that reads like I've just watched an action movie. ????? Love, Love, Love this series. ????? I can't help but admire and root for the petite female Asian assassin. Start a series you won't ever want to put down. They used her daughter as bait. They messed with the wrong assassin. This is a new release of the original 1928 edition. Solid-electrolyte interphase (SEI) is a nanoscale composite layer of organic and inorganic lithium (Li) salts formed on the electrode surface by electrolyte decomposition. It is ionically conductive and electrically insulating, thus allowing facile Li-ion transport and preventing further electrolyte decomposition. Owing to these features, SEI stability is crucial to the performance of rechargeable Li batteries. Unfortunately, SEI layer are unstable for most advanced battery materials, including high-capacity anodes materials (e.g., silicon (Si) and Li) in liquid electrolyte and Li anodes in solid electrolytes (e.g., Li10GeP2S12 (LGPS)). An unstable SEI layer may cause poor battery performance including consumption of active materials and electrolyte, capacity fading, resistance increase., etc. The structure and property of SEI have generally eluded rational control since its formation and growth processes involve a series of complex and competitive electrochemical reactions. The main efforts to addressing this issue have been made on the development of new electrolyte systems to form alternative SEI layers and preformed artificial SEI layers on the electrode surface to replace the electrolyte-derived SEI. This dissertation focuses on intrinsically regulating the chemical composition and nanostructure of SEI for advanced battery materials in conventional electrolyte systems, which enables not only optimized chemical and physical properties of SEI but improved battery performance. This is realized by developing chemical and electrochemical reactive materials and allowing them to participate in the SEI formation. These materials can contribute functional components in the SEI layer and therefore alter the structure and property of the SEI deliberately. The design of functional material is based on the requirement of SEI layers for different anodes. In Chapters 2 and 3, I presented approaches to manipulating the formation process, chemical composition, and morphology of SEI for nano-sized and micro-sized Si anodes, respectively. The SEI layers were fabricated through a covalent anchoring of multiple functional components onto the Si surface, followed by electrochemical decomposition of the functional components and conventional electrolyte. We showed that to covalently bond organic oligomeric species at the surface of nano-sized Si anodes can effectively increase its SEI flexibility and realized an intimate contact between SEI and Si surface (Chapter 2). In the case of micro-sized Si anodes, we reported that to covalently bond a functional salt, N-methyl-N-propyl pyrrolidinium bis(fluorosulfonyl)imide (PYR13FSI), at the surface of micro-sized Si anodes can effectively stabilize the interface and SEI (Chapter 3). In Chapters 4 and 5, we designed chemically and electrochemically active organic polymer, namely poly((N-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolane-4-methyl)-5-norbornene-exo-2,3-dicarboximide), and polymeric composite containing poly(vinylsulfonyl fluoride-ran-2-vinyl-1,3-dioxolane) and graphene oxide (GO) nanosheets to alter SEI formation process and regulate the composition and nanostructure of SEI for Li metal anodes. The reactive organic polymer and polymeric composite can generate stable SEI layers in situ by reacting with Li to occupy surface sites and then electrochemically decomposing to form nanoscale SEI components. The formed SEI layers presented excellent surface passivation, homogeneity, and mechanical strength. Using the polymer, we can implant polymeric ether species in the electrolyte-derived SEI, enabling improved SEI flexibility and homogeneity. In the case of polymeric composite, the SEI is mainly generated by the composite instead of electrolyte. In this way, we realized an intrinsic control of SEI structure and property. The formed SEI presented excellent homogeneity, mechanical strength, ionic conductivity, and surface passivation. In Chapter 6, we reported a novel approach based on the use of a nanocomposite consisting of organic elastomeric salts (LiO-(CH2O)n-Li) and inorganic nanoparticle salts (LiF, -NSO2-Li, Li2O), which serve as an interphase to protect Li10GeP2S12 (LGPS), a highly conductive but reducible SSE. The nanocomposite is formed in situ on Li via the electrochemical decomposition of a liquid electrolyte, therefore possessing excellent chemical and electrochemical stability, affinity for Li and LGPS, and limited interfacial resistance. We concluded this dissertation work in Chapter 7 and briefly discussed the possible future work. When you have a week to save your life, you get off your butt real quick. I have a bounty on my head worth fifty million dollars. Every assassin I can think of will come for me. Even the ones I had called my friends. To end this nonsense, I need to kill Ethan Carmotte, the man responsible for funding the contract. But first, I need to find him. I have a week to get from San Francisco to New York. A contact there is the best at digging up information. It won't be easy, though. News about the big payday is out, and money-hungry assassins are circling. Attacks are imminent. I know that much for sure. But if I can make that trip and not die in the process, I'll have a real chance at finding Ethan and making him wish he'd never made this dumb move. Wish me luck. Dumb Move revives the Sei thriller series ten years later. You'll cheer for Sei once again. Sometimes you need to hear the story from the beginning. The Miseducation of English Learners examines the initial policy impact of Structured English Immersion (SEI), an English-only program mandated for English Learners (ELs) in California, Arizona, and Massachusetts in the United States. The book features analyses of: the legal context and parameters of SEI; research history on SEI; SEI language policy and policy implementation according to situated context; and the educational priorities and legal rights of ELs. The book examines the history of SEI in the educational research literature and as it has been interpreted in the context of the legal requirement for schools to take "appropriate action" to meet the needs of ELs following the historic *Lau v. Nichols* (1974) court decision. The Miseducation of English Learners also presents and considers the implementation of SEI in comparative contexts from various perspectives including teacher education, the classroom, and legal. In several of the chapters, SEI implementation is examined in concert with other factors that have effected the teaching and progress of ELs such as Senate Bill 2042 (2001) that overhauled the teacher education process in California, and the federal No Child Left Behind legislation (signed into law on January 8, 2002). Moreover, the book provides implications and recommendations for teaching, research, advocacy, and policy change. The Miseducation of English Learners addresses and invites the readers to consider the following key questions: • How "appropriate" is the mandated SEI program for ELs, both in substance and in the one-year duration as specified in the three voter-initiated propositions (Proposition 227, Proposition 203, and Question 2)? • What issues, themes, and patterns can be noted in the implementation of SEI in California, Arizona, and Massachusetts? • Why might the student outcomes not show the desired results in measures such as achievement test scores or dropout rates? • What necessary changes are called for in order to enhance (or in some cases supplant) the SEI programs and services in place for ELs? • Are ELs, parents, and other stakeholders able to thoughtfully select desired and optimal instructional programs, and participate meaningfully in the educational process of language minority students under the SEI mandates? Accelerated capacity fade in high-voltage Li-ion batteries is attributed to crosstalk between the positive and negative electrodes causing parasitic reactions. Specifically, the concomitant electrolyte oxidation and transition metal dissolution (Mn, Ni and Co) from positive electrode active materials has been linked to capacity fade by disrupting the performance of the solid-electrolyte interphase (SEI). In full-cell studies, the effects of electrolyte decomposition and metal dissolution on battery lifetime and coulombic efficiency are well-documented, however the precise nature of crosstalk species and the mechanisms of capacity fade remain to be understood. Fundamental understanding of the role of each metal in undermining SEI passivation is necessary to mitigate this degradation and to enable commercialization of high-energy Li-ion batteries. Here we present methods to detect and quantify the effects of electrode crosstalk using model battery systems. In one part of our work, we interrogate the effects of three dissolved transition metals (Mn, Ni, and Co) on charge-transfer through the SEI via an in-situ electrochemical characterization technique. We find that Mn-contamination is the most detrimental of the three metals, agreeing with the consensus in literature. In order to better understand why Mn is exceptional, we develop microkinetic models of charge-transfer mechanisms based on electron tunneling across the SEI and electrocatalytic metal cycling between redox states. Comparing experimental data to models of each mechanism indicates that reaction thermodynamics do not fully capture why Mn facilitates faster through-film charge-transfer than Ni or Co, but rather a mechanism based on faster metal reduction kinetics is the salient explanation of enhanced SEI degradation by Mn. Next, we develop a generator-collector approach to understanding battery crosstalk. Rotating-ring disk electrode (RRDE) voltammetry is employed to study the effects of metal dissolution from LNMO (LiNi0.5Mn1.5O4) on SEI performance. The effects of metal contamination on SEI passivation are characterized via our redox mediator method and quantified using finite element simulations. We find that metal dissolution has a more profound impact on electronic than morphological SEI properties. Interpreting these results with physics-based models of SEI passivation imply that the inorganic layer is critical to passivation, while organic layers are inert at best. Lastly, we consider ongoing experiments and recent literature reports to rationalize a critical path forward for understanding and preventing metal contamination of the SEI.

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