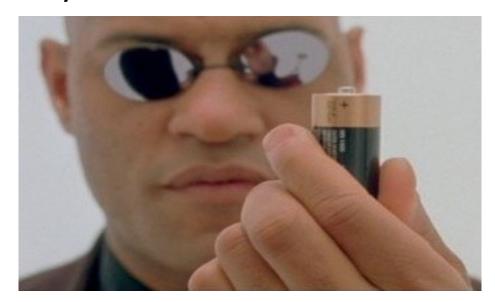
#### M3D3: Cathode construction

4/28/2016

- 1. Prelab Discussion
- 2. Construct cathode material (Belcher Lab)
- 3. Research Proposal Peer Review Exercise (20.109 lab)

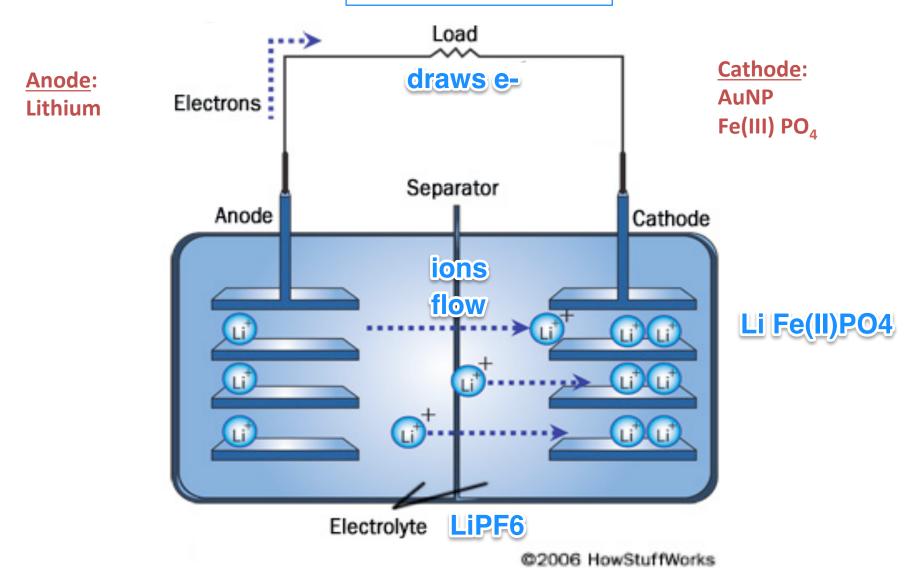


#### M3 major assignments

- Research proposal (20%), slides due 5/12 at 1pm
- Mini-report (5%), due 5/16 at 10pm

- M3D4 Homework, Both parts submitted as a team
  - Research Proposal Presentation outline (wiki, google doc, benchling)
    - address topics in HW prompt for full credit
  - Outline Background and Approach for mini-report
     with references
    - http://belcherlab.mit.edu/publications/

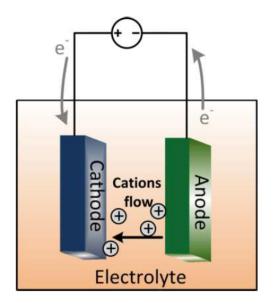
# Is this battery discharging or charging?



charging, e- and ions flow in opposite direction

#### Main components of a battery

- During discharge,
  - cathode accepts electrons e<sup>-</sup>
     and lithium ions Li<sup>+</sup> donate e<sup>-</sup>
- Battery consists of two electrodes:
  - cathode = positive electrode, accept electrons
  - anode = negative electrode, gives electrons
  - In rechargeable battery, when is electrode polarity defined? discharge
  - electrolyte allows for flow of ions
- What is capacity?
  - quantity of electricity (charge) involved for the electro-chemical reaction between the active materials in the battery
  - for our Fe(III)-phage batteries, the theoretical capacity is 178 mA\*h/g



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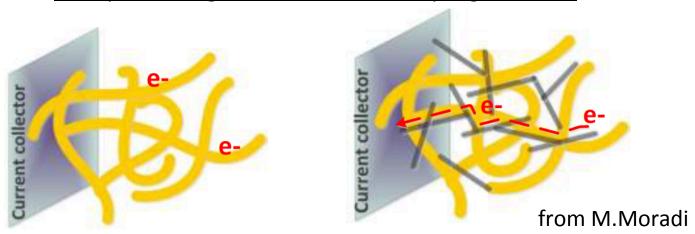
# How can a phage scaffold improve current batteries?

- Ion diffusivity 

  nano structuring active material
  - What is the advantage of nano structures? increase surface to volume ratio
- Electronic Conductivity 

   integrating additives
  - How do phage improve integration of additives?
     screen for binding of additive of interest via phage display

Example: Adding carbon nanotubes to phage cathode



### How will you construct your cathode?

1. Weigh AuNP-Fe(III)-phage nanowires (active material)

2. Mix with Super P carbon, increase conductivity and PTFE teflon, binder

- 3. Roll cathode material into thin sheet
- 4. 'Punch out' cathode disc
- 5. Weigh cathode(why?) impt. for capacity measurement
- 6. Dry cathode(why?) increase binding

## Today in lab...

- 1. Construct cathode Belcher lab
  - bring lab coat and eye protection
- 2. Research proposal peer exercise
  - everyone must be the "presenter" and "listener" at least once
  - partner assignments will depend on timing of cathode construction
- ➤ M3D4HW: (see slide 2) due 1 week from today. You cannot make major changes to your proposal idea after this assignment!
- Don't forget about "pitch session" in class next Tuesday