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The sulfur reduction reaction in a lithium-sulfur battery involves 16 electrons to convert an eight-atom sulfur ring molecule into lithium sulfide in a catalytic reaction network with numerous interwoven branches and different intermediate products called lithium polysulfides and many other byproducts.

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Lithium-sulfur (Li-S) batteries have long been expected to be a promising high-energy-density secondary battery system since their first prototype in the 1960s. During the past decade, great progress has been achieved in promoting the performances of Li-S batteries by addressing the challenges at the laboratory-level model systems. With growing attention paid ...

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The chemical reaction mechanism consists of a Li/Li + oxidation reaction at the anode and a six-step polysulfide reduction mechanism at the cathode. The modeling framework allows for the simulation of charge and discharge profiles as well as electrochemical impedance spectra. ... The lithium-sulfur (Li/S) battery is a promising ...

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next-generation energy storage owing to their overwhelming energy density compared to the existing lithium-ion batteries today ...

The road from breakthrough in the lab to practical technology can be a long and bumpy one. The lithium-sulfur battery is an example. It has notable advantages over current lithium-ion batteries powering vehicles. But it has yet to dent the market despite intense development over many years.

The basic Li-S cell is composed of a sulfur cathode, a lithium metal as anode, and the necessary ether-based electrolyte. The sulfur exists as octatomic ring-like molecules ( $S_8$ ), which will be reduced to the final discharge product, which is  $Li_2S$ , and it will be reversibly oxidized to sulfur while charging the battery. The cell operation starts by the discharge process.

The polysulfide ions formed during the first reduction wave of sulfur in Li-S battery were determined through both in-situ and ex-situ derivatization of polysulfides. By comparing the cyclic voltammetric results with and without the derivatization reagent (methyl triflate) as well as the in-situ and ex-situ derivatization results under potentiostatic condition, in-situ derivatization ...

There is an increasing demand for high-energy batteries beyond lithium-ion batteries (LIBs) towards applications such as electric vehicles and drones 1,2,3 Ifur has been considered as one of the ...

Lithium-sulfur batteries can potentially store five to 10 times more energy than current state-of-the-art lithium-ion batteries at much lower cost. Current lithium-ion batteries use cobalt oxide as the cathode, an expensive mineral mined in ways that harm people and the environment. Lithium-sulfur batteries replace cobalt oxide with sulfur, which is abundant and ...

However, the sluggish sulfur reduction reaction (SRR) kinetics results in poor sulfur utilization, which seriously hampers the electrochemical performance of Li-S batteries. It is critical to reveal the underlying reaction mechanisms and accelerate the SRR kinetics. Herein, the critical issues of SRR in Li-S batteries are reviewed.

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The typical galvanostatic discharge curve of the Li-S battery is composed of two plateaus including a high voltage about 2.3 V plateau and a low plateau about 2.1 V, which correspond to two main reaction processes of lithium-sulfur batteries.

Under the intervention of concentrated lithium polysulfides on the interfacial reaction of Li anode, the

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repeated rupture and regeneration of the solid-electrolyte interface and uncontrolled growth of lithium dendrites ...

Lithium-ion batteries are based on intercalation of lithium ions and have an energy density of  $\sim 250 \text{ Wh kg}^{-1}$  contrast, conversion reactions in lithium-sulfur (Li-S) batteries enable a ...

5.2.3 Lithium-sulfur batteries. Lithium sulfur (Li-S) battery is a promising substitute for LIBs technology which can provide the supreme specific energy of  $2600 \text{ W h kg}^{-1}$  among all solid state batteries [164]. However, the complex chemical properties of polysulfides, especially the unique electronegativity between the terminal Li and S ...

To realize a low-carbon economy and sustainable energy supply, the development of energy storage devices has aroused intensive attention. Lithium-sulfur (Li-S) batteries are regarded as one of the most promising next-generation battery devices because of their remarkable theoretical energy density, cost-effectiveness, and environmental benignity. ...

The lithium-sulfur (Li-S) battery is one of the most promising battery systems due to its high theoretical energy density and low cost. ... M. S. Ultimate limits to intercalation reactions for ...

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Li-metal and elemental sulfur possess theoretical charge capacities of, respectively,  $3,861$  and  $1,672 \text{ mA h g}^{-1}$  []. At an average discharge potential of  $2.1 \text{ V}$ , the Li-S battery presents a theoretical electrode-level specific energy of  $\sim 2,500 \text{ W h kg}^{-1}$ , an order-of-magnitude higher than what is achieved in lithium-ion batteries practice, Li-S batteries are expected to ...

In particular, all-solid-state lithium-sulfur batteries (ASSLSBs) that rely on lithium-sulfur reversible redox processes exhibit immense potential as an energy storage system, surpassing conventional lithium-ion batteries. ... The chain reaction of thermal runaway is triggered by side reactions occurring during battery operation and ...

Ever-rising global energy demands and the desperate need for green energy inevitably require next-generation energy storage systems. Lithium-sulfur (Li-S) batteries are a promising candidate as their conversion redox reaction offers superior high energy capacity and lower costs as compared to current intercalation type lithium-ion technology.  $\text{Li}_2\text{S}$  with a ...

The lithium-sulfur battery (Li-S battery) is a type of rechargeable battery. It is notable for its high specific energy. The low atomic weight of lithium and moderate atomic weight of sulfur means that Li-S batteries are

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relatively light (about the density of water).

In summary, we comprehensively investigated the reaction mechanisms of the sulfur cathode (S<sub>8</sub>) in the all-solid-state lithium-sulfur batteries (ASLSBs) through the operando Raman spectroscopy and ex-situ X-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES). A particular operando Raman investigation is designed to exclude the potential complications ...

Figure 1 | Electrochemical-reaction pathways observed in Li-S batteries. Left, the operation of Li-S batteries requires the diffusion of LiPSs (shown as molecules with yellow sulfur atoms and dark blue lithium atoms) from an electrolyte (Li<sub>2</sub>S<sub>6</sub>) to an electrode surface (bottom).

Lithium-sulfur battery is a type of lithium battery, using lithium as the battery negative electrode and sulfur as the battery positive electrode. During discharging/charging process, lithium ions migrate to designated sites and capacity is produced by redox reaction of lithium ions with sulfur.

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