

cathodic transfer coefficient, α_c

For a reaction with a single rate-determining step

$$\frac{\alpha_c}{\nu} = -\frac{RT}{nF} \left(\frac{\partial(\ln(|I_c|))}{\partial E} \right)_{T,p,c_i,\dots}$$

where α_c is the cathodic transfer coefficient (number), R is the gas constant, T is the thermodynamic temperature, and ν the stoichiometric number giving the number of identical activated complexes formed and destroyed in the completion of the overall reaction as formulated with the transfer of n electrons.

Source:

PAC, 1974, 37, 499 (*Electrochemical nomenclature*) on page 515