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**LUBRICATING AND WEARPROOF
COMPOUND BASED ON WOLFRAM
BISULPHIDE FOR COATING A METAL
SUBSTRATE**

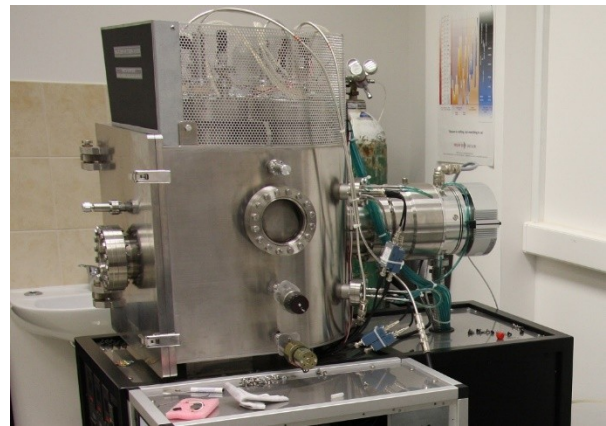
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Abstract

The invention relates to a method for vacuum coating metal parts with lubricating and wear proof dry thin layers from a WS₂ + Metal compound, using sputtering methods of the magnetron or ionized magnetron type or cathode arc evaporation, with a view to reducing the static and dynamic friction coefficient of the working surfaces thereof. According to the invention, the method consists in coating the surfaces of metal parts by using the simultaneous sputtering of WS₂ and of a metal which can be Ti, Mo, Cr, Al or the like, from two independent sputtering targets placed on two magnetron-type sputtering devices. The coating layer claimed by the invention consists of WS₂ and a metal, such as Ti, Mo, Cr, Ag, Al etc., having a single layer-type structure with a constant or gradual composition from 100% to 0% metal, or a multilayer-type structure with various compositions and thicknesses of the intermediate layers, the multiple thin layers with super-lattice structures having thicknesses in the range of 2...10 nm, while the total thickness of the coating layers is higher than 0.5 μ m.

Technology stage

The product was tested and the technology is proved on a small scale. The patent is ready for licensing.



Applications

Industrial applications

Advantages

The patent uses the advantages of tungsten disulphide multilayers super lattice by comparison to the molybdenum disulphide widely used now.

- Better adherence to the substrate
- Stronger hardness and therefore higher allowed weights
- High temperature resistance
- Lower friction coefficient at higher humidity
- Longer lifetime

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