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Repeat: Test #2 scheduled as indicated in syllabus: week 8, Fri Aug 10 NOT Aug 13.**Last time:**

- 0) Redox potential
- 1) Redox titration
- 2) Group Quiz (extra credit)

Today:

- 0) The group quiz
- 1) Electrochemical Cells: Galvanic cells
- 2) Applications: Batteries

Lecture:

- 0) Group Quiz (SKIP THIS-REFER TO WEBSITE POSTING OF LECTURE 18)

Consider the following standard reduction potentials:

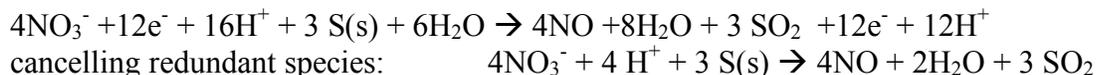
$$E^{\circ}_{\text{SO}_2/\text{S}} = 0.45 \text{ V} \quad \text{and} \quad E^{\circ}_{\text{NO}_3^-/\text{NO}} = 0.955$$

- a) Write each reduction half reaction and balance each one (acidic conditions).
- b) Write the balanced spontaneous redox reaction involving these two(2) redox couples. c) Determine the reductant and oxidant.
- d) Determine the reaction's standard redox potential for the spontaneous.
- e) Determine the maximum work this reaction can do.

Key:

- a) (1) $\text{SO}_2 + 4\text{e}^- + 4\text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{S}(\text{s}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \quad .45\text{V}$
- (2) $\text{NO}_3^- + 3\text{e}^- + 4\text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{NO} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \quad .955\text{V}$

- b) reverse (1) and multiply it by 3
- multiply (2) by 4 and add to the reversed (1)



- c) oxidant = NO_3^- ; reductant = $\text{S}(\text{s})$
- d) $E^{\circ} = (.955 - .45) = +.505$
- e) $W_{\text{max}} = \Delta G^{\circ} = -nFE^{\circ} = (-12)(96500\text{C/mol})(.505\text{V}) = 585,000 \text{ J} = 585 \text{ kJ/mol}$

1) Electrochemical Cells:

2 types:

- a) **Voltaic** Cells or **Galvanic** Cells (spontaneous)
- b) **Electrolytic** cells (nonspontaneous)

A) Voltaic (Galvanic) Cells

=these generate potential spontaneously

Write a possible redox reaction based on the following half rxns.

1	$\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{s})$	+0.34V
2	$\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Zn}(\text{s})$	-0.76

One has to be reduced, the other oxidized, so

Reverse #2 and add to #1 : The spontaneous reaction is given by:

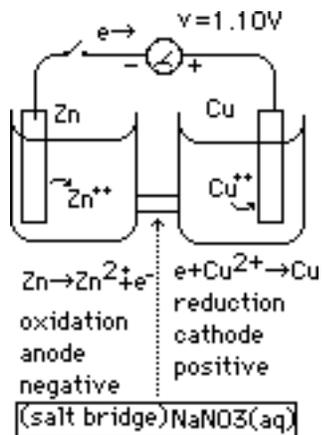


1.10 V is the reaction (redox) potential? $E^\circ_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} - E^\circ_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}} = .34 + .76 = 1.10\text{V}$

voltaic cells: consider $\text{Zn}(\text{s}) + \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{Cu}(\text{s})$

Zn supplies e and Cu(II) ion accepts electrons. What if we can force the e to go thru wire?

Consider the Daniell cell and explain it.

**B) Brief intro to Electrolytic Cells**

- nonspontaneous
- runs only if a higher external E is applied.
- doesn't need salt bridge
- oxidation = anode = *positive*
- reduction = cathode = *negative*

typical measurements:

q , charge = current \times $F = it$ $\text{mol } e = it/F$ $\text{mol substance} = it/nF$
 current, $i = \text{flow of } e = i = \text{in amperes (C/s)}$

$$F = 96500 \text{ C/mol}$$

If the reaction transfers $2e^-$'s Example: $\text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{Zn} \rightarrow \text{Cu} + \text{Zn}^{2+}$

How many moles and grams of Cu are plated after 2.0 hr electrolysis at 15 A and $E_{\text{appl}} = -2.0 \text{ V}$

$$\text{Mol Cu} = it/nF = \frac{15\text{A}(120\text{s})}{(2)(96500)} = 9.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{grams Cu plated} = (9.3 \times 10^{-3})(63.5) = 0.59 \text{ g Cu}$$

Suppose we reverse the Daniell Cell:

We can force the "plating" the Zn and dissolving Cu, by applying E_{appl} of greater magnitude than 1.10 V in reverse direction
 (say magnitude is 2.0 V. We write: $E_{\text{appl}} = -2.0\text{V}$.)

Draw the electrolytic cell:

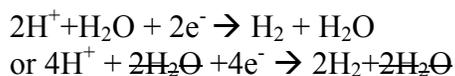
Typical calculation:

Example:

Electrolysis of water: Overall $2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2 \text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2$

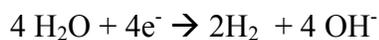
Oxidation: $2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 4e^-$

Reduction: $4 \text{H}_2\text{O} + 4e^- \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2 + 4 \text{OH}^-$

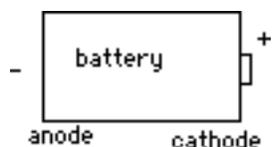


But there are few H^+ 's in pure water. so, realistically, we use basic conditions:

Add 4 OH^- to both sides:



Analogous to battery



$$E_{\text{Cell}} = E_{\text{cath}} - E_{\text{anode}} = +$$

$$= E_+ - E_-$$

(here the E's are reduction potentials*)

OK?

An electrochemical cell involving Cu and Zn.

Half cell(Cu^{2+}/Cu) vs Half cell (Zn^{2+}/Zn) has potential $E_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} - E_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}}$.

If the concentration of Zn and Cu are as given above, the expected potential will be 0.98 V

OK how about if we have Half cell(Ag^+/Ag) vs Half cell (Zn^{2+}/Zn) has potential $E_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} - E_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}} = 0.80 \text{ V} - (-.76) = +1.56 \text{ V}$ (+ correction)

What about Half cell(Ag^+/Ag) vs Half cell (Cu^{2+}/Cu): i.e. an Ag-Cu cell.

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E^\circ_{\text{Ag}} - E^\circ_{\text{Cu}} =$$

We substitute the cell potentials:

$$(E_{\text{Ag}} - E_{\text{Zn}}) - (E_{\text{Cu}} - E_{\text{Zn}}) =$$

(It's like saying:

$$10 = X - Y$$

$$4 = U - Y$$

What is X-U?

$$X - U = W - Z = 10 - 4 = 6$$

Why? $W - Z = X - Y - (U - Y) = X - Y - U + Y = X - U$

$$E_{\text{Ag}} - E_{\text{Cu}} = 1.56 - 1.10 \text{ V} = 0.46 \text{ V}$$