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1 H 1.008																	2 He 4.003
3 Li 6.941	4 Be 9.012											5 B 10.81	6 C 12.01	7 N 14.01	8 O 16.00	9 F 19.00	10 Ne 20.18
11 Na 22.99	12 Mg 24.31	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Al 26.98	14 Si 28.09	15 P 30.97	16 S 32.07	17 Cl 35.45	18 Ar 39.95
19 K 39.10	20 Ca 40.08	21 Sc 44.96	22 Ti 47.87	23 V 50.94	24 Cr 52.00	25 Mn 54.94	26 Fe 55.85	27 Co 58.93	28 Ni 58.69	29 Cu 63.55	30 Zn 65.38	31 Ga 69.72	32 Ge 72.64	33 As 74.92	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.90	36 Kr 83.80
37 Rb 85.47	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.91	40 Zr 91.22	41 Nb 92.91	42 Mo 95.94	43 Tc (98)	44 Ru 101.07	45 Rh 102.91	46 Pd 106.42	47 Ag 107.87	48 Cd 112.41	49 In 114.82	50 Sn 118.71	51 Sb 121.76	52 Te 127.60	53 I 126.90	54 Xe 131.29
55 Cs 132.91	56 Ba 137.33	57 La 138.91	72 Hf 178.49	73 Ta 180.95	74 W 183.84	75 Re 186.21	76 Os 190.23	77 Ir 192.22	78 Pt 195.08	79 Au 196.97	80 Hg 200.59	81 Tl 204.38	82 Pb 207.20	83 Bi 208.98	84 Po (209)	85 At (210)	86 Rn (222)
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58 Ce 140.12	59 Pr 140.91	60 Nd 144.24	61 Pm (145)	62 Sm 150.36	63 Eu 151.96	64 Gd 157.25	65 Tb 158.93	66 Dy 162.50	67 Ho 164.93	68 Er 167.26	69 Tm 168.93	70 Yb 173.04	71 Lu 174.97
90 Th 232.04	91 Pa 231.04	92 U 238.03	93 Np (237)	94 Pu (244)	95 Am (243)	96 Cm (247)	97 Bk (247)	98 Cf (251)	99 Es (252)	100 Fm (257)	101 Md (258)	102 No (259)	103 Lr (266)

constants

$R = 0.08206 \text{ L atm/mol K}$

$R = 8.314 \text{ J/mol K}$

$F = 96485 \text{ C/mol e}^-$

$N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23} / \text{mol}$

$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$

$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

$g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

conversions

$1 \text{ atm} = 760 \text{ torr}$

$1 \text{ atm} = 101325 \text{ Pa}$

$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \text{ bar}$

$1 \text{ bar} = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

$^\circ\text{F} = ^\circ\text{C}(1.8) + 32$

$\text{K} = ^\circ\text{C} + 273.15$

conversions

$1 \text{ in} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$

$1 \text{ ft} = 12 \text{ in}$

$1 \text{ yd} = 3 \text{ ft}$

$1 \text{ mi} = 5280 \text{ ft}$

$1 \text{ lb} = 453.6 \text{ g}$

$1 \text{ ton} = 2000 \text{ lbs}$

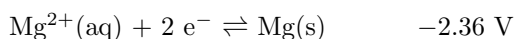
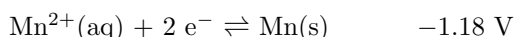
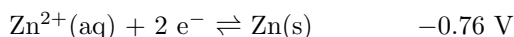
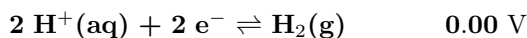
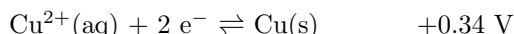
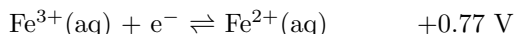
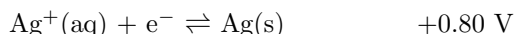
$1 \text{ tonne} = 1000 \text{ kg}$

$1 \text{ gal} = 3.785 \text{ L}$

$1 \text{ gal} = 231 \text{ in}^3$

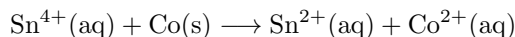
$1 \text{ gal} = 128 \text{ fl oz}$

$1 \text{ fl oz} = 29.57 \text{ mL}$

standard potentials at 25 °C  $E^\circ$  (V)

This exam should have exactly 20 questions. Each question is equally weighted at 5 points each. Bubble in your answer choices on the online bubbleseet provided. Your score is based on what you bubble on the bubblesheet and not what is circled on the exam.

1. Consider the following redox reaction:

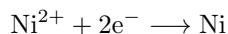
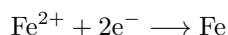


What is the oxidizing agent?

- a.  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$
- b.  $\text{Co}^{2+}$
- c. Co
- d.  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$

**Explanation:** The oxidizing agent is the species being reduced, which is  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  being reduced to  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ .

2. Suppose you create a voltaic cell out of nickel and iron with the following half-reactions:



What is the value of the electrical potential in standard conditions?

- a.  $-0.21 \text{ V}$
- b.  $+0.19 \text{ V}$
- c.  $-0.67 \text{ V}$
- d.  $+0.67 \text{ V}$
- e.  $-0.19 \text{ V}$
- f.  $+0.21 \text{ V}$

**Explanation:** For a voltaic cell, the cathode will include the half reaction with the higher standard reduction potential. In this case, it is nickel and to find the electrical potential of the cell with Fe/Fe<sup>2+</sup> at the anode, we subtract the anode std pot from the std cathode potential.

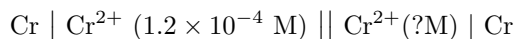
$$E = -0.23 - (-0.44) = +0.21 \text{ V}$$

3. Any regular car (fueled by gasoline) has a battery in it. What are the metal or metals that provide the potential?

- a. lead
- b. nickel and cadmium
- c. lithium
- d. manganese and zinc
- e. chromium
- f. silver and gold

**Explanation:** It's a lead storage battery - aka Pb-acid battery. All the active species are lead-based.

4. The following concentration cell has a measured potential of +76.1 mV. What is the unknown chromium(II) ion concentration in this cell?



- a.  $2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M}$
- b.  $0.075 \text{ M}$
- c.  $3.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$
- d.  $0.045 \text{ M}$
- e.  $0.0023 \text{ M}$
- f.  $0.14 \text{ M}$

**Explanation:** Use Nernst equation:

$$E = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.05916}{2} \log Q$$

$$0.0761 = 0 - (0.02958) \log\left(\frac{1.2 \times 10^{-4}}{x}\right)$$

$$-2.5727 = \log\left(\frac{1.2 \times 10^{-4}}{x}\right)$$

$$0.002675 = \frac{1.2 \times 10^{-4}}{x}$$

$$x = 1.2 \times 10^{-4} / 0.002914 = 0.045 \text{ M} = [\text{Cr}^{2+}] \text{ in the cathode compartment}$$

5. In an electrolytic cell, the positive terminal is the \_\_\_\_\_ and is the site of the \_\_\_\_\_ half-reaction.

- a. cathode; oxidation
- b. anode; oxidation
- c. cathode; reduction
- d. anode; reduction

**Explanation:** In an electrolytic cell (analogous to charging a battery), the cathode is always attributed a negative sign and the anode a positive sign. By definition, the cathode is the site of reduction, and the anode is the site of oxidation.

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6. Copper is electroplated from a solution of copper(II) sulfate. What mass of copper is electroplated when 20.0 amps of current is run continuously for 14.0 hours?

- a. 332 g
- b. 664 g
- c. 342 g
- d. 364 g
- e. 308 g

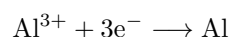
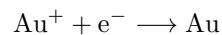
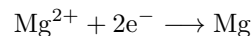
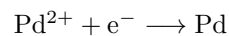
**Explanation:**  $\frac{I \cdot t}{n \cdot F} = \text{moles of metal}$

$$\frac{20 \cdot 14(3600)}{2 \cdot 96485} = \text{moles of Cu} = 5.2236\dots$$

Copper molar mass is 63.55 g/mol so multiply the 5.2236... moles of solid nickel by 63.55 to get 331.96... grams of solid copper plated.

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7. Consider the following four half reactions only. Which one should you use to get the maximum voltage for a voltaic cell when paired with the  $\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}$  half reaction as the cathode?



- a.  $\text{Pd}^{2+} | \text{Pd}$
- b.  $\text{Mg}^{2+} | \text{Mg}$
- c.  $\text{Au}^+ | \text{Au}$
- d.  $\text{Al}^{3+} | \text{Al}$

**Explanation:** The potential will be the  $\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}$  cell at +0.80 V MINUS the other half reaction. To get the maximum out, we need to pick the most negative redox couple listed. That would be the  $\text{Mg}^{2+}/\text{Mg}$  electrode at -2.36 V.

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8. Consider the cell diagram below:



What is the cathode and what is the cell type?

- a. Ag(s); electrolytic cell
- b. Mn(s); electrolytic cell
- c. Ag(s); voltaic cell
- d. Mn(s); voltaic cell

**Explanation:** The left side of a cell diagram is always the anode (oxidation), and the right side of a cell diagram is always the cathode (reduction). Therefore, the cathode is Mn(s). To determine the cell type:  $E_{cell}^{\circ} = E_{cathode}^{\circ} - E_{anode}^{\circ} = -1.18 - (+0.88) = -1.98 \text{ V}$ . As the electrical potential is negative, this is an electrolytic cell.

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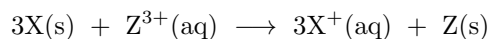
9. Consider two metals X and Z with corresponding ions  $X^+$  and  $Z^{3+}$  and the following electrochemical cell that they are used in:



If the standard electrical potential for this cell is +0.473 V, how much energy (electrical work) is produced from this redox reaction? Assume the fully balanced reaction (with whole numbers) is run to completion.

- a. 91.3 kJ
- b. 45.6 kJ
- c. 365 kJ
- d. 137 kJ
- e. 183 kJ
- f. 274 kJ

**Explanation:** The reaction would be



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy} &= -nFE = (3)(96485)(0.473) \\ &= 122150 \text{ J} = 137 \text{ kJ} \end{aligned}$$

10. What is the oxidizing agent in an alkaline cell?

- a. ZnO (s)
- b.  $Mn_2O_3$  (s)
- c.  $H_2O$  (l)
- d.  $MnO_2$  (s)
- e. Zn (s)

**Explanation:** The overall reaction for an alkaline cell is  $2MnO_2 + Zn \longrightarrow Mn_2O_3 + ZnO$ . Mn changes its oxidation state from +4 to +3 and is thus reduced and the oxidizing agent is the reactant that itself undergoes reduction. It's the reactant that "takes away" electrons.

11. Ammonium ion,  $NH_4^+$  can decompose rapidly to nitrogen gas,  $N_2$ . During this process, the N is \_\_\_\_\_ and the change in oxidation number is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. oxidized; +3
- b. reduced; -4
- c. oxidized; +4
- d. oxidized; +5
- e. reduced; -3
- f. reduced; +3

**Explanation:** For  $NH_4^+$ , N has ox number of -3. For  $N_2$ , N is 0 (zero). The oxidation number goes from -3 to 0 which is a +3 change. Because the oxidation number of N increased, the N is oxidized.

12. What is the oxidation number of element M (a metal) in the compound  $NaMO_3$ ?

- a. +4
- b. +2
- c. +1
- d. +5
- e. +3

**Explanation:** The Na is +1 and the O's are all -2. So solve the following for  $x$

$$+1 + x + 3(-2) = 0$$

You get  $x = +5$  which is the oxidation number for M

13. Which of the following is true for secondary cells?

- I. The battery reaction can only go in the forward direction.
- II. This battery can be recharged.
- III. A NiMH battery is a popular secondary cell
- IV. When power runs out or low, you can add more fuel to it to recharge it.

- a. I, III, and IV only
- b. III and IV only
- c. III only
- d. II and III only
- e. I and II only
- f. I, II, and IV only
- g. I only

**Explanation:** I. only going forward is a primary cell property, so no. IV. refueling is what you do with fuel cells, not secondary cells. Only II and III are true of secondary cells.

14. What is the cell potential for the following nonstandard cell?



- a. 0.332 V
- b. 0.622 V
- c. 0.298 V
- d. 0.460 V
- e. 0.718 V
- f. 0.379 V

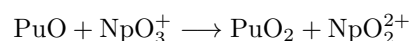
**Explanation:**  $E^\circ = +0.8 - +0.34 = +0.46$  V.  $Q = \frac{1}{0.0018^2}$  and  $n = 2$   
 $E = 0.46 - 0.05916/2 \log(\frac{1}{0.0018^2})$   
 $E = 0.298$  V

15. Which of the following statements is/are always true for a normal operating voltaic cell?

- I.  $E_{\text{cathode}}^\circ > E_{\text{anode}}^\circ$
  - II. The reaction is spontaneous
  - III. The flow of electrons is from cathode to anode
- a. II only
  - b. I, II, & III
  - c. I & III only
  - d. III only
  - e. I only
  - f. I & II only
  - g. II, & III only

**Explanation:** none

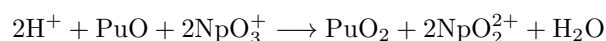
16. Consider the following rather planetary and radioactive redox reaction:



Using the smallest possible integer coefficients, balance the reaction in acidic aqueous solution. What is the coefficient for  $\text{H}^+$ , and which side of the reaction is it on?

- a. 2, left
- b. 4, right
- c. 1, right
- d. 2, right
- e. 1, left
- f. 4, left

**Explanation:**



17. How long will it take to deposit 0.0132 moles of solid promethium (Pm, atomic number 61) by the electrolysis of  $\text{Pm}(\text{NO}_3)_3(\text{aq})$  using a current of 1.59 A?

- a. 40 minutes
- b. 25 minutes
- c. 30 minutes
- d. 35 minutes
- e. 45 minutes

**Explanation:** First note that the oxidation number of promethium is +3 in the aqueous solution given, so when it gets reduced to solid promethium, 3 moles of electrons will be transferred. Now use  $t = \frac{\text{mol} \cdot n \cdot F}{I} = \frac{0.0132(3)(96485)}{1.59} = 2400 \text{ s} = 40 \text{ minutes}$

18. Which of the following species listed is the strongest reducing agent?

- a.  $\text{F}_2(\text{g})$
- b.  $\text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{aq})$
- c.  $\text{Ag}(\text{s})$
- d.  $\text{Cr}(\text{s})$
- e.  $\text{Cu}(\text{s})$

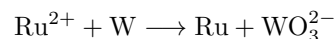
**Explanation:** A good reducing agent needs to push electrons away which means they will be on the right side of a standard potential table and will have the most negative  $E^\circ$ . That means that Cr is the best of those listed.

19. I put a piece of copper wire into a solution of 1 M  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ . What happens?

- a. The two reactants will fuse together to make Zn metal.
- b. Nothing will happen.
- c. The copper wire reduces the  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  ions to nickel metal.
- d. The copper wire begins to oxidize and is eroded away.

**Explanation:** The standard potential for  $\text{Cu}(\text{s})$  and  $\text{Ni}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  is -0.57 V. This is very non-spontaneous, so nothing happens.

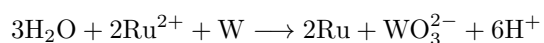
20. Balance the following redox reaction in acidic solution:



What is the sum of coefficients in the simplest, overall reaction?

- a. 11
- b. 17
- c. 15
- d. 20
- e. 18
- f. 13

**Explanation:**



$$3+2+1+2+1+6 = 15$$

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