Chapter 18 problems (without solutions)

- 1) Assign oxidation numbers for all elements in the following species (for review see section 9.4) a) H_2SO_3 ; b) $Ca(ClO_3)_2$; c) C_2H_4 ; d) H_3PO_4 ; e) Cl_2 ; f) BrO_4 ; g) $KMnO_4$; h) NaOH; i) H_2O_2 ; j) $H_4P_2O_7$
- 2) Balance each redox reaction occurring in acid aqueous solution.
 - a) $I^{-}(aq) + NO_{2}^{-}(aq) \rightarrow I_{2}(s) + NO(g)$
 - b) $NO_3^-(aq) + Sn^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Sn^{4+}(aq) + NO(g)$
 - c) $S_2O_3^{2-}(aq) + I_2(aq) \rightarrow S_4O_6^{2-}(aq) + I^{-}(aq)$
- 3) Balance each redox reaction occurring in base aqueous solution.
 - a) $MnO_4(aq) + Br(aq) \rightarrow MnO_2(s) + BrO_3(aq)$
 - b) $NO_2^-(aq) + Al(s) \rightarrow NH_3(g) + AlO_2^-(aq)$
- 4) (18.2 a,c) Balance the following redox reactions by the half-reaction method.
 - a) $Mn^{2+}(aq) + H_2O_2(aq) \rightarrow MnO_2(s) + H_2O(\ell)$ (in base solution)
 - c) $Cr_2O_7^{2-}(aq) + C_2O_4^{2-}(aq) \rightarrow Cr^{3+}(aq) + CO_2(g)$ (in acid solution)
- 5) Explain the difference between a voltaic (or galvanic) electrochemical cell and an electrolytic cell.
- 6) Explain the purpose of a salt bridge in an electrochemical cell.
- 7) How can Table 18.1 be used to predict whether or not a metal will dissolve in HCl? In HNO₃?
- 8) Give the half cell oxidation reaction, the half cell reduction reaction, and the net cell reaction for the following galvanic cells.
 - a) $Pb(s) | Pb^{2+}(aq) || Cu^{2+}(aq) | Cu(s)$
 - b) Pt, $H_2(g) \mid H^+(aq) \parallel Cl^-(aq) \mid AgCl(s), Ag(s)$
- 9) Calculate the standard cell potential for each of the following electrochemical cells. Also, represent each cell as a cell diagram using standard notation.
 - $a) \ Ni^{2+}(aq) + Mg(s) \ \rightarrow \ Ni(s) + Mg^{2+}(aq)$
 - b) $2 H^{+}(aq) + Fe(s) \rightarrow H_{2}(g) + Fe^{2+}(aq)$
 - c) 2 NO_3 -(aq) + 8 H^+ (aq) + $3 \text{ Cu(s)} \rightarrow 2 \text{ NO(g)} + 4 \text{ H}_2\text{O}(\ell) + 3 \text{ Cu}^{2+}$ (aq)
- 10) Which of the redox reactions do you expect to occur spontaneously in the forward direction (for standard conditions)?

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- a) $Ni(s) + Zn^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Ni^{2+}(aq) + Zn(s)$
- b) $Ni(s) + Pb^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Ni^{2+}(aq) + Pb(s)$
- c) $Al(s) + 3 Ag^{+}(aq) \rightarrow Al^{3+}(aq) + 3 Ag(s)$
- d) $Pb(s) + Mn^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Pb^{2+}(aq) + Mn(s)$

- 11) Which metal cation below is the best oxidizing agent?
 - a) Pb²⁺
- b) Cr³⁺
- c) Fe^{3+}
- d) Sn²⁺
- 12) Which metal below is the best reducing agent?
 - a) Mn
- b) Al
- c) Ni
- d) Cr
- 13) Use tabulated electrode potentials to calculate ΔG°_{rxn} for each reaction at 25. °C. Then calculate the equilibrium constant for each reaction.
 - a) $O_2(g) + 2 H_2O(\ell) + 2 Cu(s) \rightarrow 4 OH^{-}(aq) + 2 Cu^{2+}(aq)$
 - b) $Br_2(\ell) + 2 I(aq) \rightarrow 2Br(aq) + I_2(s)$
- 14) A voltaic cell employs the redox reaction

$$2 \text{ Fe}^{3+}(aq) + 3 \text{ Mg}(s) \rightarrow 2 \text{ Fe}(s) + 3 \text{ Mg}^{2+}(aq)$$

Calculate the cell potential at 25. °C under each set of conditions

- a) Standard conditions. We first need to find E°_{net}.
- b) $[Fe^{3+}] = 1.0 \times 10^{-3} M$; $[Mg^{2+}] = 2.50 M$
- c) $[Fe^{3+}] = 2.00 \text{ M}; [Mg^{2+}] = 1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$
- 15) Copper can be electroplated at the cathode of an electrolytic cell by the half reaction

$$Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Cu(s)$$

How much time would it take for 325. mg of copper metal to be plated at a current of 5.6 A?

- 16) What mass of aluminum metal can be produced per hour in the electrolysis of molten aluminum salt (containing Al³⁺ ion) by a current of 25. A?
- 17) The K_{sp} of $Zn(OH)_2$ is 1.8 x $10^{\text{-}14}$. Find E°_{cell} for the half reaction

$$Zn(OH)_2(s) + 2 e^- \rightarrow Zn(s) + 2 OH^-(aq)$$

- 18) A metal forms from the fluoride compound MF₃. Electrolysis of molten MF₃ by a current of 3.86 A for 16.2 minutes deposits 1.25 g of metal. What is the molar mass of the metal?
- 19) (18.66) The oxidation of 25.00 mL of a solution containing Fe^{2+} requires 26.00 mL of a 0.0250 M solution of $K_2Cr_2O_7$ in acidic solution. Balance the following equation, and calculate the molar concentration of Fe^{2+} . The unbalanced redox reaction is

$$Cr_2O_7{}^{2\text{-}}(aq) + Fe^{2\text{+}}(aq) \ \to \ Cr^{3\text{+}}(aq) + Fe^{3\text{+}}(aq)$$

20) In an oxidation-reduction (redox) titration an oxidizing agent and a reducing agent react to form products. As in acid-base titrations, redox titrations can be used to find concentrations of oxidizing or reducing agent in a solution.

Consider the titration of a 25.00 mL sample of a solution containing Cu²⁺ ion with a 0.06281 M solution of potassium iodide (KI). The reaction that takes place is as follows:

$$2 \text{ Cu}^{2+}(aq) + 4 \text{ I}^{-}(aq) \rightarrow 2 \text{ CuI}(s) + \text{I}_{2}(aq)$$

- a) Identify the oxidizing agent and the reducing agent in the above titration.
- b) After the addition of 39.43 mL of KI solution the equivalence point of the titration is reached. Based on this, find the concentration of Cu^{2+} ion in the original 25.0 mL sample of Cu^{2+} solution.
- 21) (18.77) Calculate the emf of the following concentration cell at 25. °C

$$Cu(s) \mid Cu^{2+}(0.080 \text{ M}) \parallel Cu^{2+}(1.20 \text{ M}) \mid Cu$$

22) (18.87) In an electrolysis experiment a student passes the same quantity of electricity through two electrolytic cells, one containing a silver salt and the other containing a gold salt. Over a certain period of time the student finds that 2.64 g of Ag and 1.61 g of Au are deposited at the cathodes. What is the oxidation state of gold in the gold salt? (NOTE: Recall that the only common oxidation number for silver is +1)