# ELECTROCHEMISTRY: CHEMICAL CHANGE AND ELECTRICAL WORK Chapter 21 Outline

**Text Problems:** # 5, 9, 27, 33, 36, 45, 50, 52, 76, 80, 84 + Supplementary Questions (attached)

**Text Sample Problems:** The text has a number of excellent sample problems (solved in detail) in each section. I would recommend that you study these problems + the "follow up" problems, which have brief solutions at the end of the chapter.

Sect.	Title and Comments	<b>Required?</b>
1.	Redox Reactions and Electrochemical Cells	YES
2.	Voltaic Cells Using Spontaneous Reactions to Generate Electrical Energy We won't stress Active vs. Inactive Electrodes	YES
3.	Cell Potential: Output of a Voltaic Cell	YES
4.	Free Energy and Electrical Work	YES
	We will add a discussion on the application of concentration cells to study (a) sample impurities, and (b) solubility equilibria	
	We won't cover the subsection on "Changes in Potential During Cell Operation"	
5.	Electrochemical Processes in Batteries	A LITTLE
6.	Corrosion: An Environmental Voltaic Cell	MAYBE
7.	Electrolytic Cells: Using Electrical Energy to Drive Nonspontaneous Reaction	s YES

## Chapter 21

## **Supplementary Homework Questions**

- S1. Which one of these changes describes an oxidation half-reaction?
  - a. decrease in oxidation number
  - b. loss of electrons
  - c. electrons as reactants
  - d. reactant acting as an oxidizing agent
  - e. pure oxygen becoming oxide ion
- S2. If cadmium metal and the Fe(III) ion are mixed in aqueous solution, a solution containing Cd(II) and Fe(II) results. The balanced equation for this process is
  - a. Cd(s) + Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  Fe<sup>2+</sup>(aq) + Cd<sup>2+</sup>(aq). b. Cd(s) + 2 Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  2 Fe<sup>2+</sup>(aq) + Cd<sup>2+</sup>(aq). c. 2 Cd(s) + Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  Fe<sup>2+</sup>(aq) + 2 Cd<sup>2+</sup>(aq). d. 2 Cd(s) + Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  2 Fe<sup>2+</sup>(aq) + Cd<sup>2+</sup>(aq). e. 2 Cd(s) + Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  Fe<sup>2+</sup>(aq) + 2 Cd<sup>2+</sup>(aq).
- S3. Which cell notation represents a battery constructed using zinc and iron, with electrons flowing from zinc to iron?
  - a. Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $|Fe^{2+}(aq)||Zn(s)||Zn^{2+}(aq)$ b.Fe<sup>3+</sup>(aq)  $|Fe(s)||Zn(s)||Zn^{2+}(aq)$ c. Zn(s)  $|Zn^{2+}(aq)||Fe^{3+}(aq)||Fe^{2+}(aq)$ d. Zn(s)  $|Zn^{2+}(aq)||Fe^{3+}(aq)||Fe(s)$ e. Zn(s)  $|Zn^{2+}(aq)||Fe(s)||Fe^{3+}(aq)$

S4.Consider the cell reaction

 $\operatorname{Sn}(s) + \operatorname{Cu}^{2+}(\operatorname{aq}) \rightarrow \operatorname{Sn}^{2+}(\operatorname{aq}) + \operatorname{Cu}(s).$ 

The value of  $E^{0}_{cell}$  is 0.447 V at 25°C. Calculate the value of  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  and K for this cell.

- S5. The value of E<sub>cell</sub> at 25°C for the cell shown below is +1.27 V. What is the value of E<sup>o</sup><sub>cell</sub>? Cd(s) | Cd<sup>2+</sup>(0.10 M) || Ag<sup>+</sup>(2.0 M) | Ag(s)
- S6. The value of  $E^{O}_{cell}$  for the cell shown below is + 1.41 V.

 $Al(s) | Al^{3+}(aq) || Ni^{2+}(aq) | Ni(s)$ 

What is the value of  $E_{cell}$  at 25°C if the concentration of  $Al^{3+}(aq)$  is 0.050 M, and of Ni<sup>2+</sup>(aq), 2.0 M?

S7. The EPA recommended maximum concentration of  $Zn^{2+}$  [M(Zn) = 65.4 g/mol] in drinking water is 5. mg/L. The amount of Zn in a sample of water can be determined by measuring the voltage of an electrochemical cell in which the reference electrode (cathode) has a standard concentration [say, 0.20 M Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and the sample electrode (anode) has the water sample. This cell can be designated as:  $Zn(s)|Zn^{2+}(xx M)||Zn^{2+}(0.20 M)|Zn(s)$ .

The cell potential was measured as +0.078 V. Determine the concentration of  $Zn^{2+}$  in the sample, in mg/L.

S8. An electrochemical cell is prepared with 0.50 M Pb(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(aq) in the reference compartment (cathode) and a saturated solution of lead iodate, Pb(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(aq), in the sample compartment (anode). The measured cell voltage is: 0.120 V.

Calculate the Solubility Product, K<sub>sp</sub>, of Pb(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.

S9. An electrochemical cell is prepared with 0.25 M AgNO<sub>3</sub>(aq) in the reference compartment (cathode) and a saturated solution of silver phosphate, Ag<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>(aq), in the sample compartment (anode). The measured cell voltage is: 0.195 V.

Calculate the Solubility Product, K<sub>sp</sub>, of Ag<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>.

S10.A current of 2.5 A (1 Ampere = 1 C/s) is passed through a solution of Copper(II) Bromide for a period of 24.0 hours.

How many grams of Cu(s) will be plated out?

#### S11 on next page

# **ELECTROLYSIS** (Table for S11)

**Note:** As discussed in class, you may assume that the reduction and oxidation potentials are approximately the same in the molten salt as in aqueous solution.

## **Some Reduction Potentials**

$2 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 2 \text{ e}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + 2 \text{ OH}^-$	$E^{o}_{red}$ = -0.83 V
$Mn^{2+} + 2 e^- \rightarrow Mn$	$E^{o}_{red} = -1.18 V$
$Zn^{2+} + 2 e^{-} \rightarrow Zn$	$E^{o}_{red} = -0.76 V$
$Al^{3+} + 3e^{-}$ [] Al	$E^{o}_{red} = -1.66 V$
$Na^+ + 3e^- \square Na$	$E^{o}_{red} = -2.71 V$
$Fe^{2+} + 2e^{-}$ Fe	$E^{o}_{red} = -0.44 V$

# **Some Oxidation Potentials**

$2 \text{ H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + 4 \text{ H}^+ + 4 \text{ e}^-$	$E^{o}_{oxid} = -1.23 V$
$2 \text{ I}^{-} \rightarrow \text{I}_2 + 2 \text{ e}^{-}$	$E^{o}_{oxid}$ = -0.54 V
$2 \operatorname{Br} = 1 \operatorname{Br}_2 + 2 \operatorname{e}^2$	$E^{o}_{oxid}$ = -1.07 V
$2 \text{ F}^{-} \rightarrow \text{F}_2 + 2 \text{ e}^{-}$	$E^{o}_{oxid} = -2.87 V$

- S11. For each of the systems below, name (1) the products of electrolysis and the electrode [Positive Anode or Negative Cathode) at which they form, (2) The minimum voltage required for the electrolysis, (3) the balanced net electrolysis rection.
  - (a) Molten  $AlF_3(liq)$
  - (b) A mixture of molten NaI(liq) and molten ZnBr<sub>2</sub>(liq)
  - (c) An aqueous solution of  $MnF_2(aq)$
  - (d) An aqueous solution of  $FeI_2(aq)$
  - (e) An aqueous solution of NaI(aq)
  - (f) An aqueous solution of  $ZnF_2(aq)$

Answers to the Supplementary Homework Questions are posted on the course web site. Questions about these Problems will be answered in Recitation