

ELECTROCHEMISTRY PROBLEMS

1. For this reaction: $\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + 8\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 5\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 5\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
- a) What is the oxidation number for Mn in $\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq})$? ____
- b) What is oxidized? _____ c) What is reduced? _____
- d) What is the oxidizing agent? _____ e) What is the reducing agent? _____
2. Based on their E°_{red} values, determine the best oxidizing agent, best reducing agent, worst oxidizing agent, and worst reducing agent.

Half-reaction	E°_{red}
$\text{Co}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Co}(\text{s})$	-0.28 V
$\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Mn}(\text{s})$	-1.18 V
$\text{Cd}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Cd}(\text{s})$	-0.40 V

best oxidizing agent _____ best reducing agent _____

worst oxidizing agent _____ worst reducing agent _____

3. Which of the following will react spontaneously (refer to table in # 2)?
 A. Cd with Mn^{2+} B. Co with Cd^{2+} C. Mn with Co D. Mn with Cd^{2+} E. Co with Mn^{2+}
4. If we were to make a galvanic cell from the following metals, which would act as the anode and which as the cathode? Refer to table 19.1. Write the half-cell reactions and the overall balanced reaction for each cell. Calculate E°_{cell} for each cell.

a) Fe(s) and Ni(s)

b) Cu(s) and Ag(s)

anode rxn:

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cathode rxn:

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Overall:

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5. Use the information in the table below to answer the following questions

Half-reaction	E°_{red}
$\text{Au}^{3+} + 3\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Au}(\text{s})$	1.50 V
$\text{Br}_2(\text{l}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow 2\text{Br}^-(\text{aq})$	1.07 V
$\text{Pb}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Pb}(\text{s})$	-0.13 V
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Ni}(\text{s})$	-0.25 V

a) What will E°_{cell} be if Ni(s) reacts with Au^{3+} ?

b) What will E°_{cell} be if Pb^{2+} reacts with Br^- ?

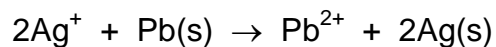
c) Calculate E°_{cell} for the following cell: $\text{Ni(s)} \mid \text{Ni}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \parallel \text{Br}_2(\text{l}), \text{Br}^-(\text{aq}) \mid \text{Pt(s)}$

d) Which of the reactions given in parts a-c are spontaneous?

6. Calculate ΔG° for the $\text{Ni(s)} + \text{Au}^{3+}$ reaction in problem 5a.

7. Calculate K at 25°C for the $\text{Ni(s)} + \text{Br}_2(\text{l})$ reaction in question 5c.

8. A galvanic cell utilizes the following reaction:

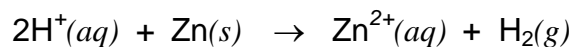


a) Write the half cell reactions and calculate the cell emf under standard conditions.

b) Write the short-hand notation of this reaction.

c) Calculate the cell potential if $[\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2] = 0.88 \text{ M}$ and $[\text{AgNO}_3] = 0.14 \text{ M}$.

9. A cell utilizes the following reaction and operates at 298 K:



a) Calculate E°_{cell} . (Look up E° values).

b) Calculate E_{cell} when $[\text{Zn}^{2+}] = 0.050 \text{ M}$, $P_{\text{H}_2} = 0.25 \text{ atm}$, and $[\text{H}^+] = 1.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$.

10. How many grams of Cu can be collected in 1.00 hour by a current of 1.62 A from a CuSO_4 solution?

11. A current of 2.00 amps is passed through a solution of $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ until 6.35 grams of Pb metal has been deposited. How many seconds did the current flow?