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## Useful Physical constants and Formula

PHYSICAL CONSTANTS:	Useful Equations:
$R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$	$\Lambda = \kappa/c, G = 1/R = \kappa(A/l)$
$R = 0.08314 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	$\Lambda = \lambda_+ + \lambda_-$
$k_B = 1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$	$\alpha = \Lambda/\Lambda_0$
$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$	$K = c\alpha^2/(1 - \alpha)$
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$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}; 1 \text{ bar} = 10^5 \text{ Pa};$	DHLL: $\log \gamma_{\pm} = -z_+  z_-  B \sqrt{I}$  Davies Eq.: $\log \gamma_{\pm} = -B  z_+ z_-  [( \sqrt{I} ) / ( 1 + ( \sqrt{I} ) ) - 0.30 I]$ in water at 25 °C: $B = 0.5092 \text{ M}^{-1/2}$ <i>0.51 m<sup>-1/2</sup></i>
$1 \text{ Torr} = 1 \text{ mmHg} = 133.322 \text{ Pa}$	$I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i c_i z_i^2$
$g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$	$\Delta\Phi = RT/zF \ln (c_1/c_2)$ $RT/F = 0.0257 \text{ at } 298 \text{ K}$
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$c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (speed of light)	$\gamma_{\pm}^{(v_+ + v_-)} = \gamma_+^{v_+} \gamma_-^{v_-}$
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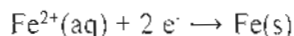
Silver-Silver Chloride:  $e^- + \text{AgCl} (\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{Ag} (\text{s}) + \text{Cl}^- (\text{aq})$   $E^\circ = 0.22233 \text{ V}$

Calomel Electrode:  $e^- + \frac{1}{2}\text{Hg}_2\text{Cl}_2 (\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{Cl}^- (\text{aq}) + \text{Hg} (\text{l})$   $E^\circ = 0.13337 \text{ V}$

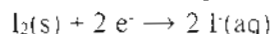
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- A) 0.834  
 B) 0.918  
 C) 0.711  
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- A) 4.52  
 B) 4.63  
 C) 4.21  
 D) 4.81  
 E) 4.39

5. Calculate the mean ionic molality and the mean ionic activity of a 0.115 m  $K_3PO_4$  solution for which the mean ionic activity coefficient is 0.125.
- 0.262 m and 0.0328
  - 0.155 m and 0.0819
  - 0.0531 m and 0.108
  - 0.295 m and 0.0411
  - 0.105 m and 0.0215
6. An electrochemical cell is made by connecting an aluminum strip in 0.40 M  $Al_2(SO_4)_3$  solution to a copper strip in 1.00 M  $CuSO_4$  solution at 25 °C. Given the standard potentials:  $E^\circ_{Cu^{2+}/Cu} = 0.34$  V and  $E^\circ_{Al^{3+}/Al} = -1.67$  V, determine the cell voltage, assuming that the copper strip is gaining mass and that the aluminum strip is losing mass.
- 2.01 V
  - 2.20 V
  - 1.02 V
  - 1.11 V
  - 0.00 V
7. Determine the cell voltage for the following electrochemical reaction at 25 °C:
- $$Sn(s) + 2 Ag^+(aq) \rightarrow Sn^{2+}(aq) + 2 Ag(s) \quad E^\circ_{cell} = 0.94 \text{ V}$$
- given that aqueous 0.10 M  $AgNO_3$  and aqueous 0.050 M  $Sn(NO_3)_2$  solutions are used to set up the cell.
- 0.92 V
  - 0.97 V
  - 0.86 V
  - 0.92 V
  - 0.97 V
8. The correct Nernst equation for the reaction
- $$Al(s) + OH^-(aq) + 3 H_2O(l) \rightarrow Al(OH)_4^-(aq) + 3/2 H_2(g)$$
- is (do not use activities in the reaction ratio Q):
- $E = E^\circ - (RT/3F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = (P(H_2))^{3/2} [Al(OH)_4^-] / [OH^-]$
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9. Assume that the following reaction has a zero voltage (by definition as new standard):



What will be the voltage of the following reaction versus this new standard.



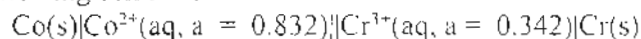
given:  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}} = -0.447 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}_{\text{I}_2/\text{I}^{-}} = 0.536 \text{ V}$  versus standard hydrogen electrode?

- A) 0.983 V  
B) -0.536 V  
C) 0.447 V  
D) 0.259 V  
E) 0.931 V
10. Which statement is **TRUE**?
- A) The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is equal to zero.  
B) The Gibbs energy change of a spontaneous electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is negative.  
C) The sign of the Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by changing the ionic strength.  
D) The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by an applied electric potential.  
E) The sum of the stoichiometric coefficients multiplied by the charges of each reactant and product in an electrochemical reaction is always negative.
11. Which of the following statements is **NOT CORRECT**?
- A) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend only on their chemical identity.  
B) Deviations from ideal behavior begin at lower concentrations for electrolyte solutions than for nonelectrolyte solutions.  
C) In electrolyte solutions the main interaction is the long-range electrostatic Coulomb interaction between ions.  
D) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend on their charge and size.  
E) Henry's law is obeyed up to concentrations of unit molality according to its hypothetical standard state.

12. In the relation  $\mu_{F_2(SO_4)} = \mu_{\pm} + \nu RT \ln \left( \frac{m}{m} \right) + \nu RT \ln \gamma_{\pm}$  the value of  $\nu$  is:
- 5
  - 2
  - 1
  - 4
  - 3
13. Enough of the salt  $AB(s)$  is dissolved in a certain amount of water to bring it into equilibrium with the ions  $A^{2+}(aq)$  and  $B^{2-}(aq)$ . If the equilibrium concentration of  $A^{2+}$  is  $7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ , and the Debye Hückel Limiting Law (DHLL) is obeyed at this concentration,  $K_{sp}$  for the salt is:
- $4.90 \times 10^{-9}$
  - $5.22 \times 10^{-9}$
  - $5.78 \times 10^{-9}$
  - $4.59 \times 10^{-9}$
  - $8.46 \times 10^{-8}$
14. With respect to the mean ionic activity coefficient variation,  $\gamma_{\pm}$ , with the square root of the ionic strength,  $\sqrt{I}$ , for an electrolyte which of the following statements is **CORRECT**?
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  - D) The activities  $\gamma_{+}$  and  $\gamma_{-}$  for the positive and negative ions of an electrolyte cannot be measured experimentally.
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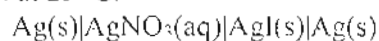
16. Consider the following cell at 25 °C.



Using the standard potentials  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Co}^{2+}/\text{Co}} = -0.280 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Cr}^{3+}/\text{Cr}} = -0.744 \text{ V}$ , what happens spontaneously in the cell?

- A) Chromium dissolves.
- B) Chromium is deposited.
- C) Cobalt dissolves.
- D) Electrons flow from Cobalt to Chromium
- E) Cannot be determined

17. Consider the following cell at 25 °C:



Given the standard potentials:  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Ag}^{+}/\text{Ag}} = 0.799 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}_{\text{AgI}/\text{Ag}} = 0.061 \text{ V}$ , calculate  $\text{p}K_{\text{sp}}$  of AgI.

- A) 12.5
- B) -12.5
- C) 14.5
- D) -14.5
- E)  $3.352 \times 10^{-13}$

18. For fluorine,  $F_2$ , the standard potential is  $E^\circ_{F_2/F^-} = 2.87$  V. Given that  $E^\circ_{Zn^{2+}/Zn} = -0.761$  V,  $E^\circ_{Ag^+/Ag} = 0.800$ , and  $E^\circ_{Au^+/Au} = 1.68$  V and assuming a fluorine electrode is made from fluorine bubbling over an inert metal surface, what will happen in a cell made of this fluorine electrode and one of the above mentioned metals in the standard state?
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- Almost complete conversion from reactants into products happens
  - No reaction happens.
  - Almost only reactants can be found in the cell.
  - Permanganate cannot oxidize oxalic acid.
  - Carbon dioxide and water are reduced to oxalic acid.
20. Consider the cell
- $$Pt(s) | Cl_2(g) | ClO_2^-(aq) || Cr_2O_7^{2-}(aq) | Cr(s).$$
- In acidic medium, how many electrons are exchanged in this cell reaction (balanced with the smallest possible set of integer coefficients)?
- 12
  - 9
  - 6
  - 3
  - 15



## Answer Key

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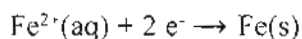
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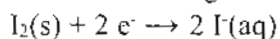
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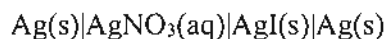
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- A) 1.11 V
  - B) 0.00 V
  - C) 2.20 V
  - D) 1.02 V
  - E) 2.01 V
15. Determine the cell voltage for the following electrochemical reaction at 25 °C:
- $$\text{Sn(s)} + 2 \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Sn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2 \text{Ag(s)} \quad E^\circ_{\text{cell}} = 0.94 \text{ V}$$
- given that aqueous 0.10 M  $\text{AgNO}_3$  and aqueous 0.050 M  $\text{Sn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  solutions are used to set up the cell.
- A) -0.97 V
  - B) 0.92 V
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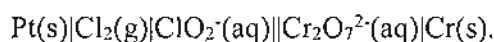
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Given the standard potentials:  $E^\circ_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} = 0.799\text{V}$  and  $E^\circ_{\text{AgI}/\text{Ag}} = 0.061\text{V}$ , calculate  $pK_{\text{sp}}$  of AgI.

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- C) -14.5
- D) 14.5
- E) -12.5

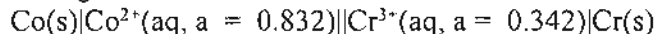
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- E) 3

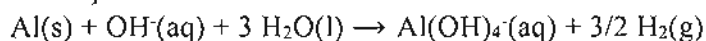
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- C)  $E = E^\circ - (RT/4F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = [\text{Al(OH)}_4^-]P(\text{OH}^-)/[\text{OH}^-]$
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20. Calculate the mean ionic molality and the mean ionic activity of a 0.115 m  $\text{K}_3\text{PO}_4$  solution for which the mean ionic activity coefficient is 0.125.
- A) 0.295 m and 0.0411
  - B) 0.155 m and 0.0819
  - C) 0.105 m and 0.0215
  - D) 0.262 m and 0.0328
  - E) 0.0531 m and 0.108

## Answer Key

1. A
2. B
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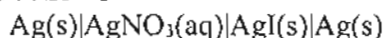
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$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$	$K = c\alpha^2/(1 - \alpha)$
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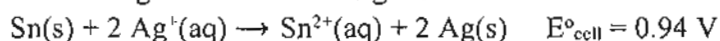
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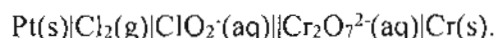
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- A) 0.00 V
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4. For fluorine,  $F_2$ , the standard potential is  $E^\circ_{F_2/F^-} = 2.87$  V. Given that  $E^\circ_{Zn^{2+}/Zn} = -0.761$  V,  $E^\circ_{Ag^+/Ag} = 0.800$ , and  $E^\circ_{Au^+/Au} = 1.68$  V and assuming a fluorine electrode is made from fluorine bubbling over an inert metal surface, what will happen in a cell made of this fluorine electrode and one of the above mentioned metals in the standard state?
- Flourine oxidizes Zn and Ag, but not Au.
  - Flourine oxidizes Zn, but not Ag and Au.
  - Flourine oxidizes Zn, Ag, and Au.
  - Flourine oxidizes none of these metals.
  - Flourine reduces all those metals.

5. Consider the cell

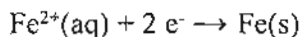


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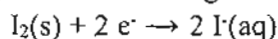
- 3
  - 9
  - 12
  - 6
  - 15
6. Consider the following cell at 25 °C.
- $$Co(s)|Co^{2+}(aq, a = 0.832)||Cr^{3+}(aq, a = 0.342)|Cr(s)$$
- Using the standard potentials:  $E^\circ_{Co^{2+}/Co} = -0.280$  V and  $E^\circ_{Cr^{3+}/Cr} = -0.744$  V, what happens spontaneously in the cell?
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- 0.105 m and 0.0215
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8. Assume that the following reaction has a zero voltage (by definition as new standard):



What will be the voltage of the following reaction versus this new standard:



given:  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}} = -0.447 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}_{\text{I}_2/\text{I}^{-}} = 0.536 \text{ V}$  versus standard hydrogen electrode?

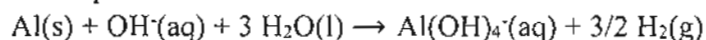
- A) -0.536 V  
B) 0.447 V  
C) 0.259 V  
D) 0.931 V  
E) 0.983 V
9. With respect to the mean ionic activity coefficient variation,  $\gamma_{\pm}$ , with the square root of the ionic strength,  $\sqrt{I}$ , for an electrolyte which of the following statements is **CORRECT**?
- A) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  decreases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, at all electrolyte concentrations.  
B) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  decreases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, and in turn solubility must decrease resulting in the salting out effect.  
C) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  increases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, at all electrolyte concentrations.  
D) At high ionic strength  $\gamma_{\pm} > 1$ , solubility increases to keep the solubility product constant, resulting in the salting in effect.  
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10. Which of the following statements is **NOT CORRECT**?
- A) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend only on their chemical identity.  
B) Henry's law is obeyed up to concentrations of unit molality according to its hypothetical standard state.  
C) Deviations from ideal behavior begin at lower concentrations for electrolyte solutions than for nonelectrolyte solutions.  
D) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend on their charge and size.  
E) In electrolyte solutions the main interaction is the long-range electrostatic Coulomb interaction between ions.



11. Which of the following inert electrolytes produces the largest increase in the degree of dissociation of acetic acid (using DHLL)?

- A) 0.10 m CsCl
- B) 0.01 m CaCl<sub>2</sub>
- C) 0.10 m CuCl<sub>2</sub>
- D) 0.001 m NaCl
- E) 0.001 m KBr

12. The correct Nernst equation for the reaction



is (do not use activities in the reaction ratio Q):

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- E)  $E = E^{\circ} - (RT/3F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = (P(\text{H}_2))^{3/2}[\text{Al(OH)}_4^{\cdot}]/[\text{OH}^{\cdot}]$

13. Enough of the salt  $AB(s)$  is dissolved in a certain amount of water to bring it into equilibrium with the ions  $A^{2+}(aq)$  and  $B^{2-}(aq)$ . If the equilibrium concentration of  $A^{2+}$  is  $7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ , and the Debye Hückel Limiting Law (DHLL) is obeyed at this concentration,  $K_{sp}$  for the salt is:

- A)  $4.90 \times 10^{-9}$
- B)  $5.22 \times 10^{-9}$
- C)  $8.46 \times 10^{-8}$
- D)  $5.78 \times 10^{-9}$
- E)  $4.59 \times 10^{-9}$

14. Which statement is **TRUE**?
- The sum of the stoichiometric coefficients multiplied by the charges of each reactant and product in an electrochemical reaction is always negative.
  - The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is equal to zero.
  - The sign of the Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by changing the ionic strength.
  - The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by an applied electric potential.
  - The Gibbs energy change of a spontaneous electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is negative.
15. Using activities, calculate the solubility of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{SO}_4$  (silver sulfate) in 0.025 M aqueous  $\text{KNO}_3$  solution at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . You may ignore the contribution of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  to the ionic strength. [ $K_{sp}$  of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{SO}_4 = 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$ ]
- 0.052 M
  - 0.011 M
  - 0.0041 M
  - 0.023 M
  - 0.0018 M
16. In the relation  $\mu_{\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3} = \mu_{\pm}^\circ + \nu RT \ln \left( \frac{m}{m^\circ} \right) + \nu RT \ln \gamma_{\pm}$  the value of  $\nu$  is:
- 4
  - 1
  - 3
  - 2
  - 5
17. Calculate the mean activity coefficient for a 0.002 M aqueous  $\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution assuming complete dissociation and that DHLL is valid.
- 0.711
  - 0.621
  - 0.781
  - 0.834
  - 0.918

18. In an electrochemical cell the oxidation of oxalic acid (HOOC-COOH) to carbon dioxide and water by permanganate ions,  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ , in acidic solution has an equilibrium for which  $\ln K = 778$ . What can be concluded from that fact?
- Carbon dioxide and water are reduced to oxalic acid.
  - Almost complete conversion from reactants into products happens.
  - No reaction happens.
  - Almost only reactants can be found in the cell.
  - Permanganate cannot oxidize oxalic acid.
19. Which of the following statements is **NOT CORRECT**?
- The activities  $\gamma_+$  and  $\gamma_-$  for the positive and negative ions of an electrolyte cannot be measured experimentally.
  - The mean ionic activity coefficient of an electrolyte  $\gamma_{\pm}$  may be experimentally measured.
  - At very low electrolyte concentrations, the experimentally measured mean ionic activity coefficient,  $\gamma_{\pm}$ , is close to the  $\gamma_{\pm}$  value calculated using the Debye-Huckel limiting law (DHLL).
  - At very high electrolyte concentrations, the mean ionic activity coefficient  $\gamma_{\pm}$  may reach values greater than 1.
  - At all electrolyte concentrations, the mean ionic activity coefficient  $\gamma_{\pm}$  is less than 1.
20. What is the pH of a buffer solution that is ~~0.250~~<sup>0.150</sup> m in  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  and 0.150 m in  $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$ , using the Davies equation (ignore the contributions from acetic acid dissociation in the ionic strength) to calculate  $\gamma_{\pm}$ ? [ $\text{p}K_a$  of acetic acid = 4.76]
- 4.63
  - 4.81
  - 4.21
  - 4.52
  - 4.39

## Answer Key

1. E
2. D
3. C
4. C
5. C
6. A
7. C
8. E
9. E
10. A
11. C
12. E
13. A
14. B
15. D
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18. B
19. E
20. D

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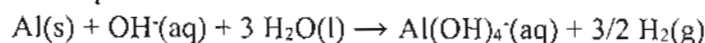
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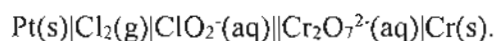
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2. Which of the following statements is **NOT CORRECT**?
- A) Deviations from ideal behavior begin at lower concentrations for electrolyte solutions than for nonelectrolyte solutions.  
B) In electrolyte solutions the main interaction is the long-range electrostatic Coulomb interaction between ions.  
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D) Henry's law is obeyed up to concentrations of unit molality according to its hypothetical standard state.  
E) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend only on their chemical identity.

3. Consider the cell



In acidic medium, how many electrons are exchanged in this cell reaction (balanced with the smallest possible set of integer coefficients)?

- A) 6  
B) 15  
C) 3  
D) 9  
E) 12

- ~~0.250~~  
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4. What is the pH of a buffer solution that is ~~0.250~~  $m$  in  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  and  $0.150 m$  in  $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$ , using the Davies equation (ignore the contributions from acetic acid dissociation in the ionic strength) to calculate  $\gamma_{\pm}$ ? [ $\text{pK}_a$  of acetic acid = 4.76]
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B) 4.21  
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5. Calculate the mean ionic molality and the mean ionic activity of a  $0.115 m \text{K}_3\text{PO}_4$  solution for which the mean ionic activity coefficient is 0.125.
- A) 0.0531  $m$  and 0.108  
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C) 0.105  $m$  and 0.0215  
D) 0.295  $m$  and 0.0411  
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6. Using activities, calculate the solubility of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{SO}_4$  (silver sulfate) in  $0.025 M$  aqueous  $\text{KNO}_3$  solution at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . You may ignore the contribution of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  to the ionic strength. [ $K_{sp}$  of  $\text{Ag}_2\text{SO}_4 = 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$ ]
- A) 0.0018  $M$   
B) 0.0041  $M$   
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D) 0.052  $M$   
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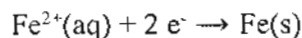


7. Which of the following statements is **NOT CORRECT**?
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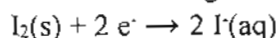
8. In the relation  $\mu_{\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3} = \mu_{\pm}^{\circ} + \nu RT \ln \left( \frac{m}{m^{\circ}} \right) + \nu RT \ln \gamma_{\pm}$  the value of  $\nu$  is:

- A) 1
- B) 3
- C) 2
- D) 5
- E) 4

9. Assume that the following reaction has a zero voltage (by definition as new standard):



What will be the voltage of the following reaction versus this new standard:

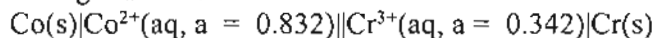


given:  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}} = -0.447 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}_{\text{I}_2/\text{I}^{-}} = 0.536 \text{ V}$  versus standard hydrogen electrode?

- A) 0.259 V
- B) 0.931 V
- C) 0.983 V
- D) -0.536 V
- E) 0.447 V

10. Which of the following inert electrolytes produces the largest increase in the degree of dissociation of acetic acid (using DHLL)?
- A) 0.01 m  $\text{CaCl}_2$
  - B) 0.001 m  $\text{NaCl}$
  - C) 0.001 m  $\text{KBr}$
  - D) 0.10 m  $\text{CuCl}_2$
  - E) 0.10 m  $\text{CsCl}$
11. Calculate the mean activity coefficient for a 0.002 M aqueous  $\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution assuming complete dissociation and that DHLL is valid.
- A) 0.621
  - B) 0.834
  - C) 0.918
  - D) 0.781
  - E) 0.711
12. With respect to the mean ionic activity coefficient variation,  $\gamma_{\pm}$ , with the square root of the ionic strength,  $\sqrt{I}$ , for an electrolyte which of the following statements is **CORRECT**?
- A) At high ionic strength  $\gamma_{\pm} > 1$ , solubility increases to keep the solubility product constant, resulting in the salting in effect.
  - B) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  increases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, at all electrolyte concentrations.
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  - E) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  decreases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, and in turn solubility must decrease resulting in the salting out effect.

13. Consider the following cell at 25 °C.



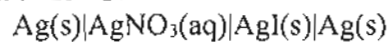
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- A) Chromium is deposited.
  - B) Chromium dissolves.
  - C) Electrons flow from Cobalt to Chromium
  - D) Cobalt dissolves.
  - E) Cannot be determined.
14. Determine the cell voltage for the following electrochemical reaction at 25 °C:
- $$\text{Sn(s)} + 2 \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Sn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2 \text{Ag(s)} \quad E^\circ_{\text{cell}} = 0.94 \text{ V}$$
- given that aqueous 0.10 M  $\text{AgNO}_3$  and aqueous 0.050 M  $\text{Sn(NO}_3)_2$  solutions are used to set up the cell.
- A) 0.92 V
  - B) 0.97 V
  - C) -0.97 V
  - D) 0.86 V
  - E) -0.92 V
15. In an electrochemical cell the oxidation of oxalic acid ( $\text{HO}_2\text{C-COOH}$ ) to carbon dioxide and water by permanganate ions,  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ , in acidic solution has an equilibrium for which  $\ln K = 778$ . What can be concluded from that fact?
- A) No reaction happens.
  - B) Permanganate cannot oxidize oxalic acid.
  - C) Almost only reactants can be found in the cell.
  - D) Almost complete conversion from reactants into products happens.
  - E) Carbon dioxide and water are reduced to oxalic acid.

16. Enough of the salt  $AB(s)$  is dissolved in a certain amount of water to bring it into equilibrium with the ions  $A^{2+}(aq)$  and  $B^{2-}(aq)$ . If the equilibrium concentration of  $A^{2+}$  is  $7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ , and the Debye Hückel Limiting Law (DHLL) is obeyed at this concentration,  $K_{sp}$  for the salt is:
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  - C)  $5.22 \times 10^{-9}$
  - D)  $4.59 \times 10^{-9}$
  - E)  $4.90 \times 10^{-9}$
17. An electrochemical cell is made by connecting an aluminum strip in 0.40 M  $Al_2(SO_4)_3$  solution to a copper strip in 1.00 M  $CuSO_4$  solution at 25 °C. Given the standard potentials:  $E^\circ_{Cu^{2+}/Cu} = 0.34 \text{ V}$  and  $E^\circ_{Al^{3+}/Al} = -1.67 \text{ V}$ , determine the cell voltage, assuming that the copper strip is gaining mass and that the aluminum strip is losing mass.
- A) 2.20 V
  - B) 2.01 V
  - C) 1.02 V
  - D) 0.00 V
  - E) 1.11 V
18. Which statement is **TRUE**?
- A) The sign of the Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by changing the ionic strength.
  - B) The Gibbs energy change of a spontaneous electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is negative.
  - C) The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by an applied electric potential.
  - D) The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is equal to zero.
  - E) The sum of the stoichiometric coefficients multiplied by the charges of each reactant and product in an electrochemical reaction is always negative.

19. For fluorine,  $F_2$ , the standard potential is  $E^\circ_{F_2/F^-} = 2.87 \text{ V}$ . Given that  $E^\circ_{Zn^{2+}/Zn} = -0.761 \text{ V}$ ,  $E^\circ_{Ag^+/Ag} = 0.800$ , and  $E^\circ_{Au^+/Au} = 1.68 \text{ V}$  and assuming a fluorine electrode is made from fluorine bubbling over an inert metal surface, what will happen in a cell made of this fluorine electrode and one of the above mentioned metals in the standard state?
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20. Consider the following cell at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ :



Given the standard potentials:  $E^\circ_{Ag^+/Ag} = 0.799 \text{ V}$  and  $E^\circ_{AgI/Ag} = 0.061 \text{ V}$ , calculate  $pK_{sp}$  of AgI.

- A)  $-12.5$
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- E)  $14.5$

## Answer Key

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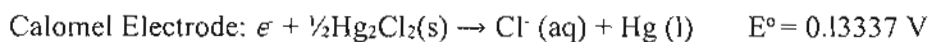
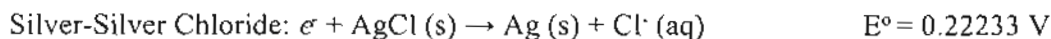
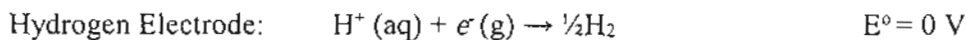
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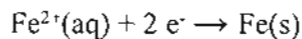
## Useful Physical constants and Formula

PHYSICAL CONSTANTS:	Useful Equations:
$R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$	$\Lambda = \kappa/c, G = 1/R = \kappa(A/I)$
$R = 0.08314 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	$\Lambda = \lambda_+ + \lambda_-$
$k_B = 1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$	$\alpha = \Lambda/\Lambda_0$
$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$	$K = c\alpha^2/(1 - \alpha)$
$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$	$\Lambda_m = \Lambda_m^0 - K (c/c_0)^{1/2}$ $1/\Lambda_m = 1/\Lambda_m^0 + c\Lambda_m / [(\Lambda_m^0)^2 K_a]$
$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}; 1 \text{ bar} = 10^5 \text{ Pa};$	DHLL: $\log \gamma_{\pm} = -z_+  z_-  B\sqrt{I}$  Davies Eq.: $\log \gamma_{\pm} = -B z_+z_-  \left[ \frac{(\sqrt{I})}{\{1 + (\sqrt{I})\}} - 0.30 I \right]$ in water at 25 °C: $B = 0.51 \text{ M}^{-1/2}$
$1 \text{ Torr} = 1 \text{ mmHg} = 133.322 \text{ Pa}$	$I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i c_i z_i^2$
$g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$	$\Delta\Phi = RT/zF \ln (c_1/c_2)$ $RT/F = 0.0257 \text{ at } 298 \text{ K}$
$0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} = 273.15 \text{ K}$	$E = E^0 - (RT/z F) \ln(Q)$
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$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$	$\Delta S = z F (\partial E/\partial T)_p$
$F = 96500 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$
$c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (speed of light)	$\gamma_{\pm}^{(\nu_+ + \nu_-)} = \gamma_+^{\nu_+} \gamma_-^{\nu_-}$
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$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$	$\Delta G_{\text{solvation}}^0 = (1/\epsilon_r - 1)z^2 e^2 N_A / (8\pi\epsilon_0 r)$
$E^0 = (RT/z F) \ln(k^0)$	$\kappa = [2e^2 N_A (1000 \text{ L m}^{-3}) / (\epsilon_0 k_B T)]^{1/2} [\rho_{\text{sol}} I / \epsilon_r]^{1/2}$
$aa' = t_+ Q/FcA$ (travelled distance)	$\Delta G = RT \ln (c_1/c_2)$

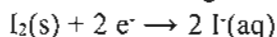




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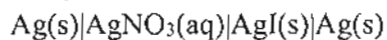
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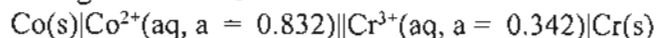
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  - D) At high ionic strength  $\gamma_{\pm} > 1$ , solubility increases to keep the solubility product constant, resulting in the salting in effect.
  - E) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  increases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, at all electrolyte concentrations.

17. In an electrochemical cell the oxidation of oxalic acid (HOOC-COOH) to carbon dioxide and water by permanganate ions,  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ , in acidic solution has an equilibrium for which  $\ln K = 778$ . What can be concluded from that fact?
- Almost complete conversion from reactants into products happens.
  - Carbon dioxide and water are reduced to oxalic acid.
  - No reaction happens.
  - Permanganate cannot oxidize oxalic acid.
  - Almost only reactants can be found in the cell.
18. Consider the cell
- $$\text{Pt(s)}|\text{Cl}_2(\text{g})|\text{ClO}_2^-(\text{aq})||\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}(\text{aq})|\text{Cr(s)}.$$
- In acidic medium, how many electrons are exchanged in this cell reaction (balanced with the smallest possible set of integer coefficients)?
- 15
  - 12
  - 6
  - 3
  - 9
19. Calculate the mean activity coefficient for a 0.002 M aqueous  $\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution assuming complete dissociation and that DHLL is valid.
- 0.918
  - 0.781
  - 0.834
  - 0.711
  - 0.621
20. An electrochemical cell is made by connecting an aluminum strip in 0.40 M  $\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$  solution to a copper strip in 1.00 M  $\text{CuSO}_4$  solution at 25 °C. Given the standard potentials:  $E^\circ_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} = 0.34 \text{ V}$  and  $E^\circ_{\text{Al}^{3+}/\text{Al}} = -1.67 \text{ V}$ , determine the cell voltage, assuming that the copper strip is gaining mass and that the aluminum strip is losing mass.
- 1.11 V
  - 2.20 V
  - 2.01 V
  - 1.02 V
  - 0.00 V

## Answer Key

1. A
2. D
3. C
4. C
5. B
6. C
7. A
8. A
9. C
10. A
11. E
12. D
13. A
14. A
15. E
16. C
17. A
18. B
19. C
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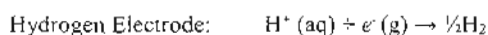
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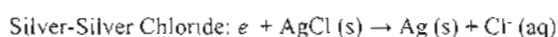


### Useful Physical constants and Formula

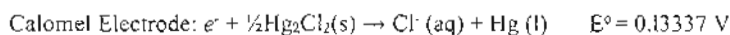
PHYSICAL CONSTANTS:	Useful Equations:
$R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$	$\Lambda = \kappa/c, G = 1/R = \kappa(\Lambda/l)$
$R = 0.08314 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$	$\Lambda = \lambda_{+} + \lambda_{-}$
$k_B = 1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$	$\alpha = \Lambda/\Lambda_0$
$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$	$K = c\alpha^2/(1 - \alpha)$
$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$	$\Lambda_m = \Lambda_m^0 - K (c/c_0)^{1/2}$ $1/\Lambda_m = 1/\Lambda_m^0 + c\Lambda_m/[(\Lambda_m^0)^2 K_m]$
$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}; 1 \text{ bar} = 10^5 \text{ Pa};$	DHLL: $\log \gamma_{\pm} = -z_{+}  z_{-}  B \sqrt{I}$  Davies Eq.: $\log \gamma_{\pm} = -B  z_{+} z_{-}  \left[ \frac{(\sqrt{I})}{1 + (\sqrt{I})} - 0.30 I \right]$ in water at 25 °C: $B = 0.5092 \text{ M}^{-1/2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1/2}$
$1 \text{ Torr} = 1 \text{ mmHg} = 133.322 \text{ Pa}$	$I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i c_i z_i^2$
$g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$	$\Delta\Phi = RT/zF \ln (c_1/c_2)$ $RT/F = 0.0257 \text{ at } 298 \text{ K}$
$0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} = 273.15 \text{ K}$	$E = E^0 - (RT/z F) \ln(Q)$
$L = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ (Avogadro's number)	$\Delta G = -zFE$
$h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$	$\Delta S = z F (\partial E/\partial T)_p$
$F = 96500 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$
$c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (speed of light)	$\gamma_{\pm}^{(\nu_+ + \nu_-)} = \gamma_+^{\nu_+} \gamma_-^{\nu_-}$
$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$ $\epsilon = 78 \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$	$\text{pH} = -\text{Log} [\text{H}^+]$ $K_w = [\text{OH}^-] [\text{H}^+]$
$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$	$\Delta G_{\text{solvation}}^0 = (1/\epsilon_r - 1) z^2 e^2 N_A / (8\pi\epsilon_0 r)$
$E^0 = (RT/z F) \ln(k^0)$	$\kappa = [2e^2 N_A (1000 \text{ L m}^{-3}) / (\epsilon_0 k_B T)]^{1/2} [\rho_{\text{sol}} / \epsilon_r]^{1/2}$
$aa' = t_{-} Q/FcA$ (travelled distance)	$\Delta G = RT \ln (c_1/c_2)$



$E^0 = 0 \text{ V}$



$E^0 = 0.22233 \text{ V}$



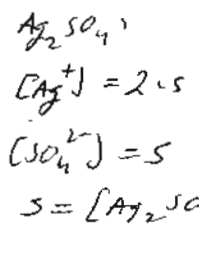
$E^0 = 0.13337 \text{ V}$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.025 M (1 \cdot (1+1)^2 + 1 \cdot (1-1)^2) = 0.025 M$$

$$\log_{10} \gamma_{\pm} = -0.51 \cdot |1 \cdot (-2)| \cdot \sqrt{0.025} = -0.161276$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = 10^{-0.161276} = 0.68980$$

solubility: s



1. Using activities, calculate the solubility of  $Ag_2SO_4$  (silver sulfate) in 0.025 M aqueous  $KNO_3$  solution at 25°C. You may ignore the contribution of  $Ag^+$  and  $SO_4^{2-}$  to the ionic strength. [ $K_{sp}$  of  $Ag_2SO_4 = 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$ ]

- A) 0.023 M
- B) 0.052 M
- C) 0.011 M
- D) 0.0018 M
- E) 0.0041 M

$$K_{sp} = a_{Ag^+}^2 \cdot a_{SO_4^{2-}} = [Ag^+]^2 [SO_4^{2-}] \gamma_{\pm}^3$$

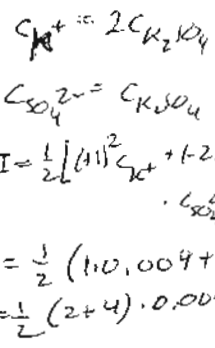
$$K_{sp} = (2s)^2 \cdot s \cdot \gamma_{\pm}^3 = 4s^3 \gamma_{\pm}^3$$

$$s = \frac{1}{\gamma_{\pm}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{4} K_{sp}} = \frac{1}{0.68980} \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{4} \cdot 1.5 \cdot 10^{-5}} M = 0.0225 M = 0.023 M$$

2. Which of the following inert electrolytes produces the largest increase in the degree of dissociation of acetic acid (using DHLL)? see next page!

- A) 0.10 m  $CuCl_2$
- B) 0.001 m  $NaCl$
- C) 0.001 m  $KBr$
- D) 0.10 m  $CsCl$
- E) 0.01 m  $CaCl_2$

$I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.1 m (4+2) = 0.3 m$  largest I, largest  $\alpha$   
 $I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.001 m (1+1) = 0.001 m$   
 $I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.001 m (1+1) = 0.001 m$   
 $I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.1 m (1+1) = 0.10 m$   
 $I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.01 m (4+2) = 0.03 m$



3. Calculate the mean activity coefficient for a 0.002 M aqueous  $K_2SO_4$  solution assuming complete dissociation and that DHLL is valid.

- A) 0.834
- B) 0.918
- C) 0.711
- D) 0.621
- E) 0.781

$$\log_{10} \gamma_{\pm} = -0.51 |2 \cdot 2| \cdot \sqrt{I/M}$$

$$= -0.51 \cdot 2 \cdot \sqrt{0.006} = -0.079009$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = 10^{-0.079009} = 0.83366 = 0.834$$

4. What is the pH of a buffer solution that is 0.150 m in  $CH_3COOH$  and 0.150 m in  $CH_3COONa$ , using the Davies equation (ignore the contributions from acetic acid dissociation in the ionic strength) to calculate  $\gamma_{\pm}$ ? [ $pK_a$  of acetic acid = 4.76]

- A) ~~4.52~~ 4.52
- B) 4.63
- C) 4.21
- D) 4.81
- E) 4.39

see page after next page

$$2. \quad K_a = \text{const.} = \frac{a_{H^+} a_{Ac^-}}{a_{HAc}} = \frac{[H^+][Ac^-]}{[HAc]} \gamma_{\pm}^2$$

$\gamma(HAc) \approx 1 \quad Ac = \text{Acetate}$

degree of dissociation  $\approx x = [H^+] = [Ac^-]$

$$K_a = \frac{x^2}{c^0 - x} \gamma_{\pm}^2$$

$c^0$ : [HAc] before dissociation  
dissociated:  $x$

$$K_a \text{ small} \Rightarrow c^0 - x \approx c$$

$$K_a = \frac{x^2}{c} \gamma_{\pm}^2$$

$$\sqrt{\gamma_{\pm}^2} = |\gamma_{\pm}|$$

$$x \approx \sqrt{K_a c} |\gamma_{\pm}|^{-1} \quad \text{smallest}$$

$\Rightarrow$  largest  $|\gamma_{\pm}| \rightarrow$  largest  $x$

$$\log_{10} \gamma_{\pm} = -0.5118 z_+ z_- \sqrt{I}$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = 10^{\log_{10} \gamma_{\pm}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  largest  $I \rightarrow$  smallest  $\gamma_{\pm}$  ( $\log \gamma_{\pm}$  negative)

largest  $I \rightarrow$  smallest  $|\gamma_{\pm}| \rightarrow$  ~~smallest~~ largest  $x$

$\rightarrow$  largest degree of dissociation

$$\alpha = x/c = \frac{1}{|\gamma_{\pm}|} \left( \sqrt{c K_a} / c \right) = \frac{1}{|\gamma_{\pm}|} \sqrt{\frac{K_a}{c}}$$

smallest  $|\gamma_{\pm}|$  (largest  $I$ )  $\Rightarrow$  largest  $\alpha$

$$|\gamma_{\pm}| = \gamma_{\pm} \quad \text{since } \gamma_{\pm} > 0$$

$$4) \quad K_a = \frac{m_{H^+} m_{Ac^-}}{m_{HAc}} \gamma_{\pm}^2$$

$$\gamma(HAc) \approx 1, \quad m_{H^+} = x$$

$$K_a = \gamma_{\pm}^2 \frac{x(m_{Ac^-}^0 + x)}{(m_{HAc}^0 - x)} \quad K_a = 10^{-4.76} = 1.7378 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

$$= (\gamma_{\pm}^2) x \frac{m_{Ac^-}^0}{m_{HAc}^0} = m_{H^+} = \frac{K_a}{\gamma_{\pm}^2} \frac{m_{HAc}^0}{m_{Ac^-}^0} = \frac{K_a}{\gamma_{\pm}^2} \frac{0.45}{0.15} = \frac{K_a}{\gamma_{\pm}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{Ac^-}^0 = 0.15 m \gg x, \quad m_{HAc}^0 = 0.45 m \gg x$$

$x$  very small  $\Rightarrow I$  from NaAc alone!

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.15 m (1 \cdot (+1)^2 + 1 \cdot (-1)^2) = 0.15 m$$

$$\log_{10} \gamma_{\pm} = -0.51 \cdot |1 \cdot (+1) + 1 \cdot (-1)| \left[ \frac{\sqrt{I}}{1 + \sqrt{I}} - 0.3 \cdot I \right]$$

$$= -0.51 \left[ \frac{\sqrt{0.15}}{1 + \sqrt{0.15}} - 0.3 \cdot 0.15 \right]$$

$$= -0.11943$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = 10^{-0.11943} = 0.75957$$

$$x = \frac{1.7378 \cdot 10^{-5}}{(0.75957)^2} m = 3.0121 \cdot 10^{-5} m$$

$$pH = -\log_{10} (3.0121 \cdot 10^{-5}) = 4.52$$

$$x = \frac{1.7378 \cdot 10^{-5}}{(0.75957)^2} m = 3.01206 \cdot 10^{-5} m$$

$$pH = -\log_{10} (3.01206 \cdot 10^{-5}) = 4.521$$

$$= 4.52$$

$$m_{\pm}^2 = m_+^2 \cdot m_-^2 \quad \nu = \nu_+ + \nu_- = 3 + 1 = 4$$

$$m_+ = 3 \cdot m^0, \quad m_- = m^0$$

$$m_{\pm}^4 = (3 \cdot 0.115)^3 \cdot 0.115 = 4.7223 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

5. Calculate the mean ionic molality and the mean ionic activity of a 0.115 m  $K_3PO_4$  solution for which the mean ionic activity coefficient is 0.125.

- (A) 0.262 m and 0.0328  
 (B) 0.155 m and 0.0819  
 (C) 0.0531 m and 0.108  
 (D) 0.295 m and 0.0411  
 (E) 0.105 m and 0.0215

$$m_{\pm} = \sqrt[4]{4.7223 \cdot 10^{-3}}$$

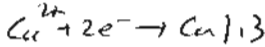
$$= 0.2621 \text{ m} = 0.262 \text{ m}$$

$$a_{\pm} = m_{\pm}^4 \gamma_{\pm}^4 \quad a_{\pm} = m_{\pm} \gamma_{\pm}$$

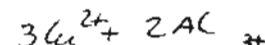
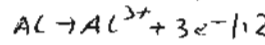
$$a_{\pm} = 0.2621 \cdot 0.125 = 0.03276 = 0.0328$$

mass gain of

Cu:



mass loss of Al:



$n = 6$

6. An electrochemical cell is made by connecting an aluminum strip in 0.40 M  $Al_2(SO_4)_3$  solution to a copper strip in 1.00 M  $CuSO_4$  solution at 25 °C. Given the standard potentials,  $E^\circ_{Cu^{2+}/Cu} = 0.34 \text{ V}$  and  $E^\circ_{Al^{3+}/Al} = -1.67 \text{ V}$ , determine the cell voltage, assuming that the copper strip is gaining mass and that the aluminum strip is losing mass.

- (A) 2.01 V  
 (B) 2.20 V  
 (C) 1.02 V  
 (D) 1.11 V  
 (E) 0.00 V

$$E^\circ = (0.34 + 1.67) \text{ V} = 2.01 \text{ V}$$

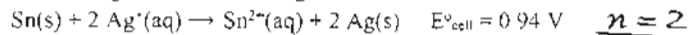
$$E = E^\circ - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{[Al^{3+}]^2}{[Cu^{2+}]^3} = 2.01 \text{ V} - \frac{25.7 \text{ mV}}{6} \ln \frac{(0.8)^2}{(1.00)^3}$$

$$= 2.01 \text{ V} - 4.2833 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ V} \cdot \ln 0.64$$

$$= 2.01 \text{ V} - 4.2833 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ V} (-0.44629) = 2.0119 \text{ V} = 2.01 \text{ V}$$

$$E^\circ = E^\circ_{ox} + E^\circ_{red} \quad E^\circ_{ox} = -E^\circ_{Al^{3+}/Al} \quad E^\circ = E^\circ_{Cu^{2+}/Cu} - E^\circ_{Al^{3+}/Al}$$

7. Determine the cell voltage for the following electrochemical reaction at 25 °C:



given that aqueous 0.10 M  $AgNO_3$  and aqueous 0.050 M  $Sn(NO_3)_2$  solutions are used to set up the cell.

- (A) 0.92 V  
 (B) 0.97 V  
 (C) 0.86 V  
 (D) -0.92 V  
 (E) -0.97 V

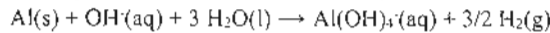
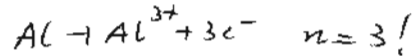
$$E = E^\circ - \frac{25.7 \text{ mV}}{2} \ln \frac{[Sn^{2+}]}{[Ag^+]^2}$$

$$= 0.94 \text{ V} - 12.85 \text{ mV} \ln \frac{0.05}{(0.1)^2}$$

$$= 0.94 \text{ V} - 12.85 \text{ mV} \ln 5 = 0.919 \text{ V}$$

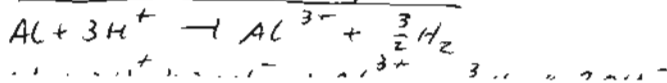
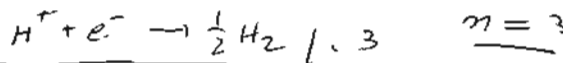
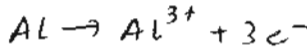
$$= 0.92 \text{ V}$$

8. The correct Nernst equation for the reaction

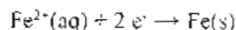


is (do not use activities in the reaction ratio Q):

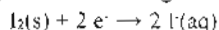
- (A)  $E = E^\circ - (RT/3F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = (P(H_2))^{3/2} [Al(OH)_3] / [OH^-]$  correct  
 (B)  $E = E^\circ - (RT/3F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = [H_2]^{3/2} [Al(OH)_3] / \{ [Al(s)][OH^-] \}$  wrong:  $P(H_2)$   
 (C)  $E = E^\circ - (RT/4F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = [Al(OH)_3] P(OH) / [OH^-]$  wrong  $n = 3$   
 (D)  $E = E^\circ - (RT/3F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = (P(H_2))^{3/2} [Al] [(OH)] / [Al(s)]$  wrong  $[Al(OH)_3]$  missing  
 (E)  $E = E^\circ - (RT/4F) \ln Q$  with  $Q = (P(H_2))^{3/2} [Al(OH)_3] / [OH^-]$  wrong  $n = 3$



9. Assume that the following reaction has a zero voltage (by definition as new standard):

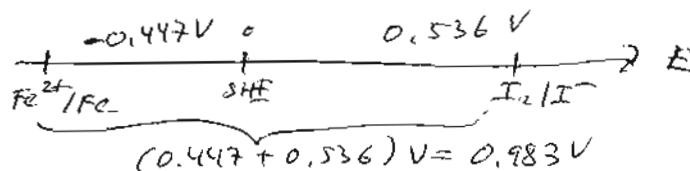


What will be the voltage of the following reaction versus this new standard



given:  $E^{\circ}_{\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}} = -0.447 \text{ V}$  and  $E^{\circ}_{\text{I}_2/\text{I}^{-}} = 0.536 \text{ V}$  versus standard hydrogen electrode? (SHE)

- A) 0.983 V  
 B) -0.536 V  
 C) 0.447 V  
 D) 0.259 V  
 E) 0.931 V



10. Which statement is TRUE?

- A) The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is equal to zero. *correct*  
 B) The Gibbs energy change of a spontaneous electrochemical reaction at equilibrium is negative. *wrong*  
 C) The sign of the Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by changing the ionic strength. *wrong*  
 D) The Gibbs energy change of an electrochemical reaction at equilibrium can be changed by an applied electric potential. *wrong*  
 E) The sum of the stoichiometric coefficients multiplied by the charges of each reactant and product in an electrochemical reaction is always negative. *wrong*

11. Which of the following statements is NOT CORRECT?

- A) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend only on their chemical identity. *not correct (also on distance!)*  
 B) Deviations from ideal behavior begin at lower concentrations for electrolyte solutions than for nonelectrolyte solutions. *correct*  
 C) In electrolyte solutions the main interaction is the long-range electrostatic Coulomb interaction between ions. *correct*  
 D) The attractive and repulsive interactions between ions depend on their charge and size. *correct (no "only")*  
 E) Henry's law is obeyed up to concentrations of unit molality according to its hypothetical standard state. *correct*

*definition of Henry's law  
 standard state*

12. In the relation  $\mu_{Fe_2(SO_4)_3} = \mu_c + \nu RT \ln \left( \frac{m}{m} \right) + \nu RT \ln \gamma_{\pm}$ , the value of  $\nu$  is:

- A) 5
- B) 2
- C) 1
- D) 4
- E) 3

$$\nu_+ = 2 \quad \nu_- = 3$$

$$\nu = \nu_+ + \nu_- = 2 + 3 = 5$$

$$[A^{2+}] = [B^{2-}] \quad K_{sp} = [A^{2+}][B^{2-}]\gamma_{\pm}^2 = [A^{2+}]^2\gamma_{\pm}^2$$

13. Enough of the salt  $AB(s)$  is dissolved in a certain amount of water to bring it into equilibrium with the ions  $A^{2+}(aq)$  and  $B^{2-}(aq)$ . If the equilibrium concentration of  $A^{2+}$  is  $7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ , and the Debye Hückel Limiting Law (DHLL) is obeyed at this concentration,  $K_{sp}$  for the salt is

- A)  $4.90 \times 10^{-9}$
- B)  $5.22 \times 10^{-9}$
- C)  $5.78 \times 10^{-9}$
- D)  $4.59 \times 10^{-9}$
- E)  $8.46 \times 10^{-9}$

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10<sup>-9</sup>

$$I = 7.6 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m} \cdot (1 \cdot (2)^2 + 1 \cdot (2)^2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 4 \cdot 7.6 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m} = 3.04 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

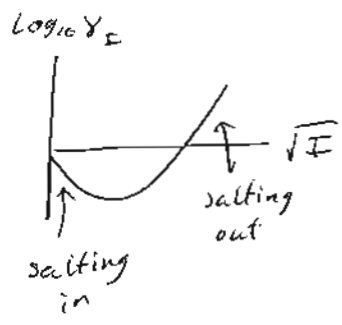
$$\log_{10} \gamma_{\pm} = -0.511 \cdot |2 \cdot (-2)| \sqrt{I/m} = -0.511 \cdot 4 \cdot \sqrt{3.04 \cdot 10^{-4}} = -0.035569$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = 0.92136$$

$$K_{sp} = (7.6 \cdot 10^{-5})^2 \cdot (0.92136)^2 = 4.903 \cdot 10^{-9} = 4.90 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

14. With respect to the mean ionic activity coefficient variation,  $\gamma_{\pm}$ , with the square root of the ionic strength,  $\sqrt{I}$ , for an electrolyte which of the following statements is **CORRECT**?

- A) At high ionic strength  $\gamma_{\pm} > 1$ , solubility decreases to keep the solubility product constant, resulting in the salting out effect. *correct*
- B) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  increases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, at all electrolyte concentrations. *wrong*
- C) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  decreases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, at all electrolyte concentrations. *wrong*
- D) The  $\gamma_{\pm}$  decreases as  $\sqrt{I}$  increases, and in turn solubility must decrease resulting in the salting out effect.
- E) At high ionic strength  $\gamma_{\pm} > 1$ , solubility increases to keep the solubility product constant, resulting in the salting in effect



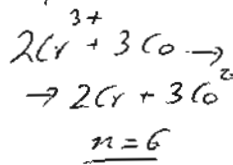
- A) high  $I \Rightarrow \gamma_{\pm}$  increases  $\Rightarrow$  solubility must decrease to keep  $K_{sp} = \text{const.}$
- D) wrong, salting in where  $\gamma_{\pm}$  decreases with increasing  $\sqrt{I}$
- E) opposite of A  $\Rightarrow$  wrong

15 Which of the following statements is NOT CORRECT?

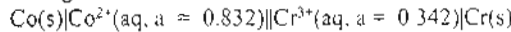
- A) At all electrolyte concentrations, the mean ionic activity coefficient  $\gamma_{\pm}$  is less than 1. *wrong*
- B) The mean ionic activity coefficient of an electrolyte  $\gamma_{\pm}$  may be experimentally measured. *correct*
- C) At very low electrolyte concentrations, the experimentally measured mean ionic activity coefficient,  $\gamma_{\pm}$ , is close to the  $\gamma_{\pm}$  value calculated using the Debye-Huckel limiting law (DHLL). *correct*
- D) The activities  $\gamma_{+}$  and  $\gamma_{-}$  for the positive and negative ions of an electrolyte cannot be measured experimentally. *correct*
- E) At very high electrolyte concentrations, the mean ionic activity coefficient  $\gamma_{\pm}$  may reach values greater than 1. *correct*

$$E^{\circ} = E^{\circ}_{red} + E^{\circ}_{ox} = E^{\circ}_{Cr^{3+}/Cr} + E^{\circ}_{Co/Co^{2+}} = E^{\circ}_{Cr^{3+}/Cr} - E^{\circ}_{Co^{2+}/Co} = (-0.744 + 0.280) V = -0.464 V$$

right: red.  
left: oxid



16. Consider the following cell at 25 °C.



Using the standard potentials.  $E^{\circ}_{Co^{2+}/Co} = -0.280 V$  and  $E^{\circ}_{Cr^{3+}/Cr} = -0.744 V$ , what happens spontaneously in the cell?

- A) Chromium dissolves.
- B) Chromium is deposited.
- C) Cobalt dissolves.
- D) Electrons flow from Cobalt to Chromium
- E) Cannot be determined.

$$E = E^{\circ} - \frac{25.7 mV}{6} \ln \frac{a_{Co^{2+}}^3}{a_{Cr^{3+}}^2}$$

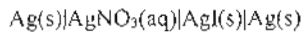
$$= -0.464 V - 4.2833 mV \ln \frac{(0.832)^3}{(0.342)^2}$$

$$= -0.464 V - 6.8231 \cdot 10^{-3} V = -0.471 V$$

$\rightarrow$  reversed reaction  $\rightarrow$  Cr dissolution, Co deposited

$e^{-}$  flow left to right if  $E > 0$ , thus here  $Cr \rightarrow Co$   $e^{-}$  flow

17. Consider the following cell at 25 °C:



Given the standard potentials:  $E^{\circ}_{Ag^{+}/Ag} = 0.799 V$  and  $E^{\circ}_{AgI/Ag} = 0.061 V$ , calculate pK<sub>sp</sub> of AgI.

- A) 12.5
- B) -12.5
- C) 14.5
- D) -14.5
- E)  $3.352 \times 10^{-13}$

left oxidation:  $Ag \rightarrow Ag^{+} + e^{-}$

right reduction:  $AgI + e^{-} \rightarrow Ag + I^{-}$

overall:  $AgI \rightleftharpoons Ag^{+} + I^{-}$

$$E = E^{\circ} - 25.7 mV \ln (a_{Ag^{+}} a_{I^{-}}) = E^{\circ} - 25.7 mV \ln K_{sp}$$

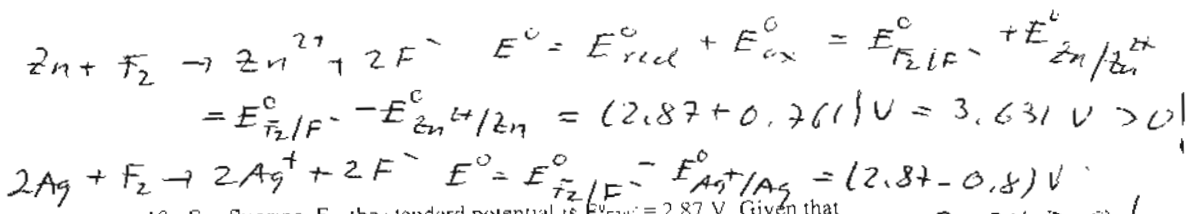
equilibrium:  $Q = K_{sp}$ ,  $E = 0$

$$\ln K_{sp} = \frac{E^{\circ}}{25.7 mV} \quad E^{\circ} = E^{\circ}_{red} + E^{\circ}_{ox}$$

$$= E^{\circ}_{AgI/Ag} + E^{\circ}_{Ag/Ag^{+}} = E^{\circ}_{AgI/Ag} - E^{\circ}_{Ag^{+}/Ag} = E^{\circ}_{right} - E^{\circ}_{left} = (0.061 - 0.799) V = -0.738 V$$

$$\ln K_{sp} = \frac{-0.738 V}{25.7 \cdot 10^{-3} V} = -28.71595 \quad K_{sp} = 3.3793 \cdot 10^{-13}$$

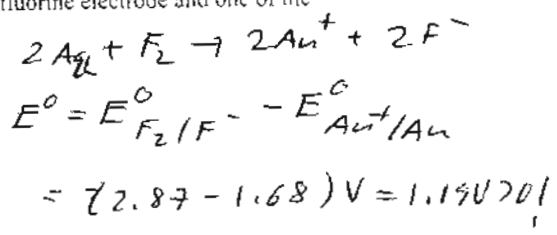




18. For fluorine,  $\text{F}_2$ , the standard potential is  $E^0_{\text{F}_2/\text{F}^-} = 2.87 \text{V}$ . Given that  $E^0_{\text{Zn}^{2+}/\text{Zn}} = -0.761 \text{V}$ ,  $E^0_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} = 0.800$ , and  $E^0_{\text{Au}^+/\text{Au}} = 1.68 \text{V}$   $= 2.07 \text{V} > 0!$

and assuming a fluorine electrode is made from fluorine bubbling over an inert metal surface, what will happen in a cell made of this fluorine electrode and one of the above mentioned metals in the standard state?

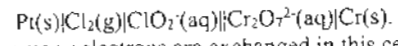
- A) Fluorine oxidizes Zn, Ag, and Au.
- B) Fluorine oxidizes Zn and Ag, but not Au.
- C) Fluorine oxidizes Zn, but not Ag and Au.
- D) Fluorine oxidizes none of these metals
- E) Fluorine reduces all those metals



19. In an electrochemical cell the oxidation of oxalic acid ( $\text{HOOC-COOH}$ ) to carbon dioxide and water by permanganate ions,  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ , in acidic solution has an equilibrium for which  $\ln K = 778$ . What can be concluded from that fact?  $K = e^{778} \gg 1$

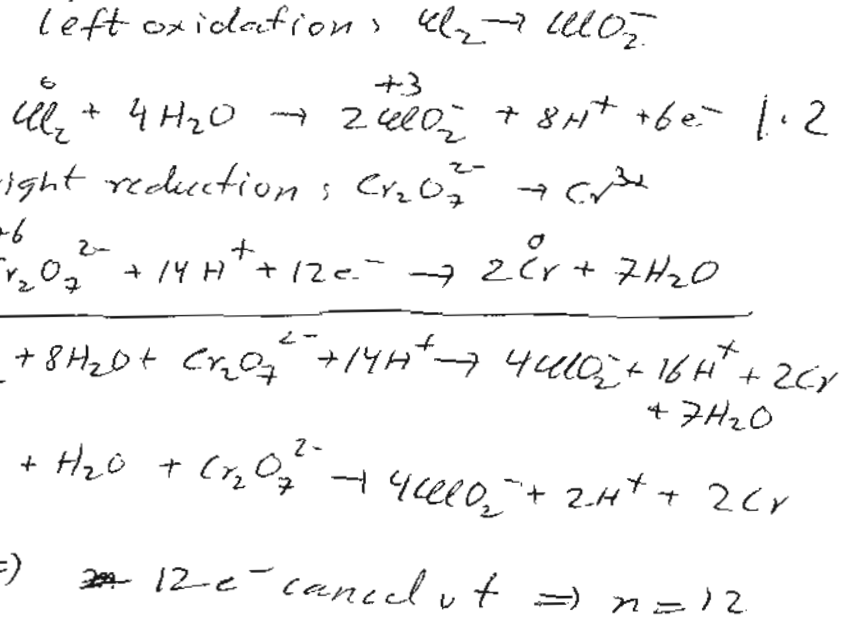
- A) Almost complete conversion from reactants into products happens *correct*
- B) No reaction happens *wrong*
- C) Almost only reactants can be found in the cell. *wrong (it is products)*
- D) Permanganate cannot oxidize oxalic acid. *wrong*
- E) Carbon dioxide and water are reduced to oxalic acid. *wrong*

20. Consider the cell



In acidic medium, how many electrons are exchanged in this cell reaction (balanced with the smallest possible set of integer coefficients)?

- A) 12
- B) 9
- C) 6
- D) 3
- E) 15



### Answer Key

1. A
2. A
3. A
4. A
5. A
6. A
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