

Chapters 19 & 20

Applications of Standard Electrode Potentials & Redox Titrations

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- Part 1: Calculating Potentials of Electrochemical Cells (Examples 19-1~10)--Nernst equation for half-cells and chemical cells

(1) For an half cell: $\text{Ox} + n\text{e}^- = \text{Red}$

$$E = E^0 + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{a_{\text{Ox}}}{a_{\text{Red}}} = E^0 + \frac{0.0592}{n} \log \frac{a_{\text{Ox}}}{a_{\text{Red}}} \quad (@298 \text{ K})$$

(2) For an electrochemical cell:

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{cathode}(+, \text{right})} - E_{\text{anode}(-, \text{left})}; \quad \Delta G = -nF\Delta E_{\text{cell}}$$

$$\Delta E = \Delta E^0 - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln Q = \Delta E^0 - \frac{0.0592}{n} \log Q \quad \text{at } 298 \text{ K } (25^\circ \text{C})$$

(3) At chemical equilibrium:

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{cathode}(+, \text{right})} - E_{\text{anode}(-, \text{left})} = 0$$

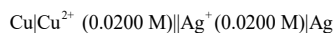
When the reaction reaches equilibrium

$$\ln K_{\text{eq}} = \frac{nF\Delta E^0}{RT}, \quad \text{or } \log K_{\text{eq}} = \frac{n\Delta E^0}{0.0592} \quad (\text{at } 298 \text{ K})$$

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Example 19-1

Calculate the thermodynamic potential of the following cell and the free energy change associated with the cell reaction:



Solution

The two half-reactions and standard potentials are



The electrode potentials are

$$E_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} = 0.799 - 0.0592 \log \frac{1}{0.0200} = 0.6984 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} = 0.337 - \frac{0.0592}{2} \log \frac{1}{0.0200} = 0.2867 \text{ V}$$

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$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{right}} - E_{\text{left}} = E_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} - E_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} = 0.6984 - 0.2867 = +0.412 \text{ V}$$

The free energy change ΔG for the reaction $\text{Cu}(s) + 2\text{Ag}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}^{2+} + 2\text{Ag}(s)$ is found from

$$(1 \text{ caloric} = 4.18 \text{ Joules})$$

$$\Delta G = -nFE_{\text{cell}} = -2 \times 96485 \text{ C} \times 0.412 \text{ V} = -79,503 \text{ J} (18.99 \text{ kcal})$$

EXAMPLE 19-2

Calculate the potential for the cell



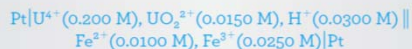
$$E_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} = 0.6984 \text{ V} \quad \text{and} \quad E_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} = 0.2867 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{right}} - E_{\text{left}} = E_{\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Cu}} - E_{\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}} = 0.2867 - 0.6984 = -0.412 \text{ V}$$

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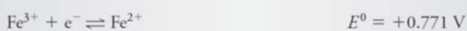
EXAMPLE 19-3

Calculate the potential of the following cell and indicate the reaction that would occur spontaneously if the cell were short-circuited (see Figure 19-1).



Solution

The two half-reactions are



The electrode potential for the right-hand electrode is

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{right}} &= 0.771 - 0.0592 \log \frac{[\text{Fe}^{2+}]}{[\text{Fe}^{3+}]} \\ &= 0.771 - 0.0592 \log \frac{0.0100}{0.0250} = 0.771 - (-0.0236) \\ &= 0.7946 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

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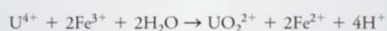
The electrode potential for the left-hand electrode is

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{left}} &= 0.334 - \frac{0.0592}{2} \log \frac{[\text{U}^{4+}]}{[\text{UO}_2^{2+}][\text{H}^+]^4} \\ &= 0.334 - \frac{0.0592}{2} \log \frac{0.200}{(0.0150)(0.0300)^4} \\ &= 0.334 - 0.2136 = 0.1204 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

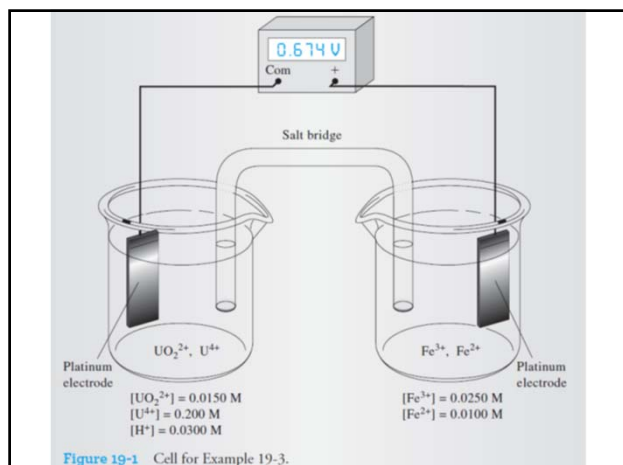
and

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{right}} - E_{\text{left}} = 0.7946 - 0.1204 = 0.6742 \text{ V}$$

The positive sign means that the spontaneous reaction is the oxidation of U^{4+} on the left and the reduction of Fe^{3+} on the right, or



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EXAMPLE 19-4
Calculate the cell potential for
 $\text{Ag} | \text{AgCl}(\text{sat'd}), \text{HCl}(0.0200 \text{ M}) | \text{H}_2(0.800 \text{ atm}), \text{Pt}$

Solution
The two half-reactions and their corresponding standard electrode potentials are (see Table 18-1).

$$2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2(\text{g}) \quad E_{\text{H}^+/\text{H}_2}^0 = 0.000 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{AgCl}(\text{s}) + \text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Ag}(\text{s}) + \text{Cl}^- \quad E_{\text{AgCl}/\text{Ag}}^0 = 0.222 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{\text{right}} = 0.000 - \frac{0.0592}{2} \log \frac{P_{\text{H}_2}}{[\text{H}^+]^2} = -\frac{0.0592}{2} \log \frac{0.800}{(0.0200)^2}$$

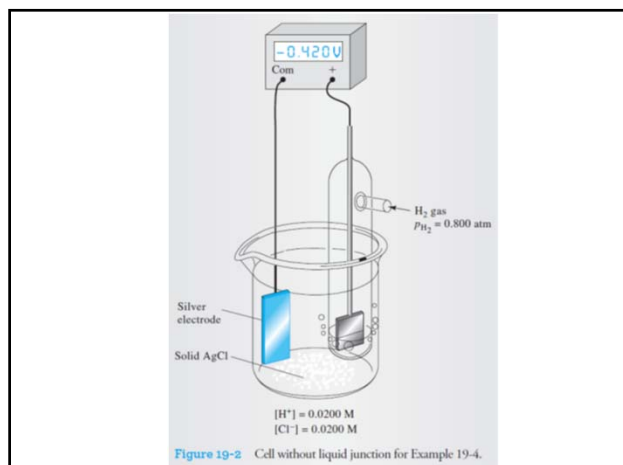
$$= -0.0977 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{\text{left}} = 0.222 - 0.0592 \log [\text{Cl}^-] = 0.222 - 0.0592 \log 0.0200$$

$$= 0.3226 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{right}} - E_{\text{left}} = -0.0977 - 0.3226 = -0.420 \text{ V}$$

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EXAMPLE 19-10
Calculate the equilibrium constant for the reaction

$$2\text{MnO}_4^- + 3\text{Mn}^{2+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons 5\text{MnO}_2(s) + 4\text{H}^+$$

Solution
In Appendix 5, we find

$$2\text{MnO}_4^- + 8\text{H}^+ + 6e^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{MnO}_2(s) + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} \quad E^0 = +1.695 \text{ V}$$

$$3\text{MnO}_2(s) + 12\text{H}^+ + 6e^- \rightleftharpoons 3\text{Mn}^{2+} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} \quad E^0 = +1.23 \text{ V}$$

$$\frac{6(1.695 - 1.23)}{0.0592} = \log \frac{[\text{H}^+]^{12}}{[\text{MnO}_4^-]^2[\text{Mn}^{2+}]^3[\text{H}^+]^8}$$

$$47.1 = \log \frac{[\text{H}^+]^4}{[\text{MnO}_4^-]^2[\text{Mn}^{2+}]^3} = \log K_{\text{eq}}$$

$$K_{\text{eq}} = \text{antilog } 47.1 = 1 \times 10^{47}$$

Comproportionation vs Disproportionation

$$3\text{Cl}_2 + 6\text{OH}^- \rightarrow 5\text{Cl}^- + \text{ClO}_3^- + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$2\text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2$$

$$2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$$

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Part 2: Constructing Redox Titration Curves

Ref. E (SCE) || $\text{Fe}^{3+}, \text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Ce}^{4+}, \text{Ce}^{3+}$ | Pt

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{system}} - E_{\text{SCE}}$$

$$E_{\text{system}} = E_{\text{cell}} + E_{\text{SCE}} = E_{\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}} = E_{\text{Ce}^{4+}/\text{Ce}^{3+}}$$

$\text{Fe}^{2+} (\text{Analyte}) + \text{Ce}^{4+} (\text{Titrant}) \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{Ce}^{3+}$ (rapid and reversible)

Reaction is rapid and reversible, hence at equilibrium

$$E_{\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}} = E_{\text{Ce}^{4+}/\text{Ce}^{3+}} = E_{\text{system}}$$

(During the entire titration process)

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Calculation of Equivalence Potential

For $\text{Ox}_1 + n_{\text{Ox}_1}e \rightleftharpoons \text{Red}_1$

$\text{Ox}_2 + n_{\text{Ox}_2}e \rightleftharpoons \text{Red}_2$

$\text{Ox}_1 + \text{Red}_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{Red}_1 + \text{Ox}_2$

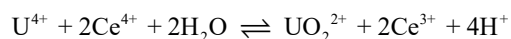
$$E_{\text{eq}} = \frac{n_{\text{Ox}_1}E^0_{\text{Ox}_1/\text{Red}_1} + n_{\text{Ox}_2}E^0_{\text{Ox}_2/\text{Red}_2}}{n_{\text{Ox}_1} + n_{\text{Ox}_2}}$$

e.g., $\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Ce}^{4+} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ce}^{3+} + \text{Fe}^{3+}$

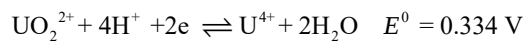
$$E_{\text{eq}} = \frac{n_{\text{Fe}}E^0_{\text{Fe}} + n_{\text{Ce}}E^0_{\text{Ce}}}{n_{\text{Fe}} + n_{\text{Ce}}} = \frac{1 \cdot 1.44 + 1 \cdot 0.68}{2} = 1.06 \text{ V}$$

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However:



in 1.0 M H_2SO_4

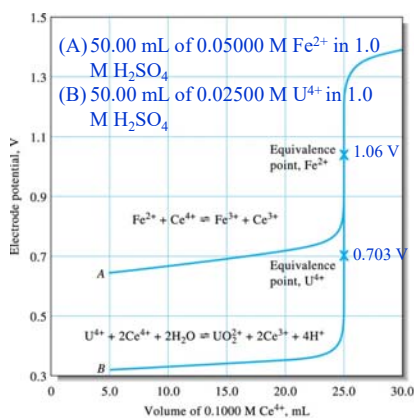


$$E_{\text{eq}} = \frac{2E^0_{\text{UO}_2^{2+}/\text{U}^{4+}} + E^0_{\text{Ce}^{4+}/\text{Ce}^{3+}}}{3} + \frac{0.0592}{3} \log[\text{H}^+]^4$$

$$= \frac{2 \times 0.334 + 1.44}{3} + \frac{0.0592}{3} \log (1.0)^4 = 0.703 \text{ V}$$

E_{eq} is pH dependent. * with dilution effect.

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Redox Titration Curve

EXAMPLE 1: 50.00 mL of 0.0500 M Fe^{2+} is titrated with 0.1000 M Ce^{4+} in a medium that is 1.0 M in H_2SO_4 . How many mLs of Ce^{4+} are required to reach to the equivalence point,?



At equivalence point,

$$n_{\text{Ce}^{4+}} = n_{\text{Fe}^{2+}}; (CV)_{\text{Ce}^{4+}} = (CV)_{\text{Fe}^{2+}}$$

$$0.1000 \cdot V_{\text{Ce}^{4+}} = (50.00 \cdot 0.0500)_{\text{Fe}^{2+}}$$

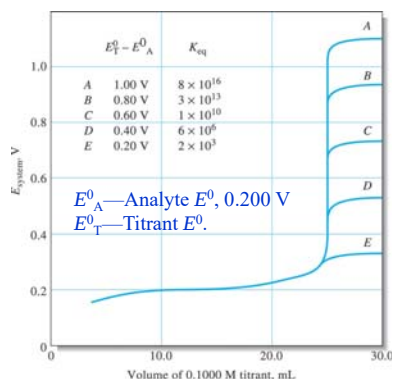
$$V_{\text{Ce}^{4+}} = 25.00 \text{ mL}$$

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Effect of Variables on Redox Titration Curves

- E_{system} is usually independent of dilution → Redox titration curves are usually independent of analyte and titrant concentrations—Different from neutralization, precipitation and complexation titrations.
- The larger the equilibrium constants or the standard ΔE^0 ($\log K_{\text{eq}} = n\Delta E^0/0.0592$), the greater the change in equivalence-point region—Similar to other types of titrations.

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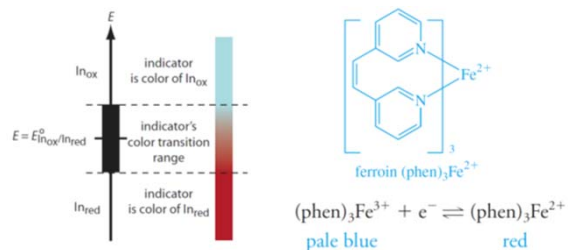


Effect of titrant electrode potential on reaction completeness.

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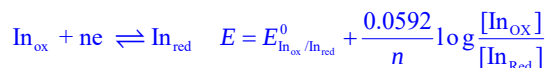
Oxidation/Reduction Indicators

- General redox indicators—substances change color upon redox reaction, which is dependent only on the potential of the titration system.



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General Redox Indicators



The color change is seen when $\frac{[\text{In}_{\text{ox}}]}{[\text{In}_{\text{red}}]} \leq \frac{1}{10}$

changes to $\frac{[\text{In}_{\text{ox}}]}{[\text{In}_{\text{red}}]} \geq \frac{10}{1}$ (overall change 100 times)

$$E = E_{\text{In}_{\text{ox}}/\text{In}_{\text{red}}}^0 \pm \frac{0.0592}{n}$$

0.118 / n V is needed for the E_{system} change.

Many indicators, $n = 2$, 59 mV E_{system} change sufficient.

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TABLE 19-3

Selected Oxidation/Reduction Indicators*

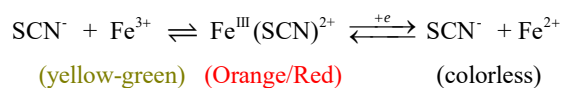
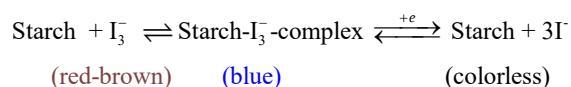
Indicator	Color		Transition Potential, V	Conditions
	Oxidized	Reduced		
5-Nitro-1,10-phenanthroline iron(II) complex	Pale blue	Red-violet	+1.25	1 M H ₂ SO ₄
2,3'-Diphenylamine dicarboxylic acid	Blue-violet	Colorless	+1.12	7-10 M H ₂ SO ₄
1,10-Phenanthroline iron(II) complex	Pale blue	Red	+1.11	1 M H ₂ SO ₄
5-Methyl 1,10-phenanthroline iron(II) complex	Pale blue	Red	+1.02	1 M H ₂ SO ₄
Erioglaucin A	Blue-red	Yellow-green	+0.98	0.5 M H ₂ SO ₄
Diphenylamine sulfonic acid	Red-violet	Colorless	+0.85	Dilute acid
Diphenylamine	Violet	Colorless	+0.76	Dilute acid
p-Ethoxychrysoidine	Yellow	Red	+0.76	Dilute acid
Methylene blue	Blue	Colorless	+0.53	1 M acid
Indigo tetrasulfonate	Blue	Colorless	+0.36	1 M acid
Phenosafranine	Red	Colorless	+0.28	1 M acid

*Data in part from I. M. Kolthoff and V. A. Stenger, *Volumetric Analysis*, 2nd ed., Vol. 1, p. 140.

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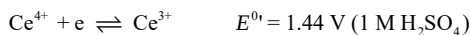
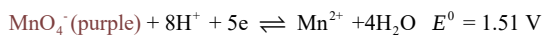
Oxidation/Reduction Indicators

- Specific indicators: (1) Starch for I₃⁻, (2) SCN⁻ (thiocyanate) for Fe(III)
- I₂ + I⁻ = I₃⁻ (triiodide ion)



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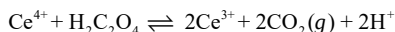
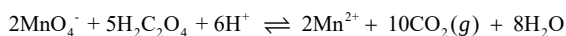
The Strong Oxidants - Potassium Permanganate and Cerium (IV)



Reactions are in strong acidic media.

MnO_4^- (purple) is a self-indicator.

Can be standardized with oxalate:



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Reagent and Formula	Reduction Product	Standard Potential, V	Standardized With	Indicator*	Stability†
Potassium permanganate, KMnO_4	Mn^{2+}	1.51 [‡]	$\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$, Fe, As_2O_3	MnO_4^-	(b)
Potassium bromate, KBrO_3	Br^-	1.44 [‡]	KBrO_3	(1)	(a)
Cerium(IV), Ce^{4+}	Ce^{3+}	1.44 [‡]	$\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$, Fe, As_2O_3	(2)	(a)
Potassium dichromate, $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$	Cr^{3+}	1.33 [‡]	$\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$, Fe	(3)	(a)
Iodine, I_2	I^-	0.536 [‡]	$\text{BaSO}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$	starch	(c)

* (1) α -Naphthoflavone; (2) 1,10-phenanthroline iron(II) complex (ferroin); and (3) diphenylamine sulfonic acid.
† (a) indefinitely stable; (b) moderately stable, requires periodic standardization; and (c) somewhat unstable, requires frequent standardization.
[‡] E^0 in 1 M H_2SO_4 .

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Substance Sought	Half-Reaction	Conditions
Sn	$\text{Sn}^{2+} \rightleftharpoons \text{Sn}^{4+} + 2\text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with Zn
H_2O_2	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{O}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	
Fe	$\text{Fe}^{2+} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with SnCl_2 or with Jones or Walden reductor
$\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{4-}$	$\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{4-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{3-} + \text{e}^-$	
V	$\text{VO}^{2+} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{VO}(\text{OH})_2^+ + 2\text{H}^+ + \text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with Bi amalgam or SO_2
Mo	$\text{Mo}^{3+} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{MoO}_4^{2-} + 8\text{H}^+ + 3\text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with Jones reductor
W	$\text{W}^{3+} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{WO}_4^{2-} + 8\text{H}^+ + 3\text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with Zn or Cd
U	$\text{U}^{4+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{UO}_2^{2+} + 4\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with Jones reductor
Ti	$\text{Ti}^{3+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{TiO}^{2+} + 2\text{H}^+ + \text{e}^-$	Pretreatment with Jones reductor
$\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$	$\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 \rightleftharpoons 2\text{CO}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	
Mg, Ca, Zn, Co, Pb, Ag	$\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 \rightleftharpoons 2\text{CO}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	Sparingly soluble metal oxalates filtered, washed, and dissolved in acid; liberated oxalic acid titrated
HNO_3	$\text{HNO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{NO}_3^- + 3\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	15-min reaction time; excess KMnO_4 back-titrated
K	$\text{K}_2\text{NaCo}(\text{NO}_2)_6 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Co}^{2+} + 6\text{NO}_2^- + 12\text{H}^+ + 2\text{K}^+ + \text{Na}^+ + 11\text{e}^-$	Precipitated as $\text{K}_2\text{NaCo}(\text{NO}_2)_6$; filtered and dissolved in KMnO_4 ; excess KMnO_4 back-titrated
Na	$\text{U}^{4+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{UO}_2^{2+} + 4\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$	Precipitated as $\text{NaZn}(\text{UO}_2)_2(\text{OAc})_6$; filtered, washed, dissolved; U determined as above

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Strong Reducing Agents— Fe(II) and thiosulfate

(1) $\text{Fe}^{2+} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{e}^-$ (freshly prepared from stable agent)

(2) $2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ (thiosulfate) $\rightleftharpoons \text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$ (tetrathionate) + 2e^-

Standardized with potassium iodate:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tZYYZ9F7fM>

$\text{IO}_3^- + 5\text{I}^-$ (excess) + $6\text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons 3\text{I}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (in flask)

$\text{I}_2 + 2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ (Titrant, in burette) $\rightleftharpoons \text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-} + \text{I}^-$

1 mol $\text{IO}_3^- = 3$ mol $\text{I}_2 = 6$ mol $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$

Indicator: I_2 -starch (blue)

I_2 -starch + $2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ (excess) $\rightleftharpoons \text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-} + \text{I}^-$ + starch
blue colorless

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EXAMPLE 20-1

A solution of sodium thiosulfate was standardized by dissolving 0.1210 g KIO_3 (214.00 g/mol) in water, adding a large excess of KI, and acidifying with HCl. The liberated iodine required 41.64 mL of the thiosulfate solution to decolorize the blue starch/iodine complex. Calculate the molar concentration of the $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

Solution 1 mol $\text{IO}_3^- = 6$ mol $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{amount Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 &= 0.1210 \text{ g KIO}_3 \times \frac{1 \text{ mmol KIO}_3}{0.21400 \text{ g KIO}_3} \times \frac{6 \text{ mmol Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3}{\text{mmol KIO}_3} \\ &= 3.3925 \text{ mmol Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 \\ c_{\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3} &= \frac{3.3925 \text{ mmol Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3}{41.64 \text{ mL Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3} = 0.08147 \text{ M} \end{aligned}$$

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TABLE 20-2

Some Applications of Sodium Thiosulfate as a Reductant

Analyte	Half-Reaction	Special Conditions
IO_4^-	$\text{IO}_4^- + 8\text{H}^+ + 7\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \frac{1}{2}\text{I}_2 + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Acidic solution
IO_3^-	$\text{IO}_3^- + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{IO}_2^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Neutral solution
IO_3^-	$\text{IO}_3^- + 6\text{H}^+ + 5\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \frac{1}{2}\text{I}_2 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Strong acid
BrO_3^- , ClO_3^-	$\text{XO}_3^- + 6\text{H}^+ + 6\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{X}^- + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Strong acid
Br_2 , Cl_2	$\text{X}_2 + 2\text{I}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{I}_2 + 2\text{X}^-$	
NO_2^-	$\text{HNO}_2 + \text{H}^+ + \text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{NO(g)} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	
Cu^{2+}	$\text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{I}^- + \text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{CuI(s)}$	
O_2	$\text{O}_2 + 4\text{Mn(OH)}_2(\text{s}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons 4\text{Mn(OH)}_3(\text{s})$	Basic solution
O_3	$\text{Mn(OH)}_3(\text{s}) + 3\text{H}^+ + \text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Mn}^{2+} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Acidic solution
Organic peroxide	$\text{O}_3(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{O}_2(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	
	$\text{ROOH} + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{ROH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	

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Calculation Examples

1. Aqueous solutions containing approximately 3% (w/w) H_2O_2 are sold in drug stores as a disinfectant. A method for determining the peroxide content involves the use of 0.01145 M KMnO_4 . Assume that you wish to use between 30 and 45 mL of the above KMnO_4 reagent for a titration. Calculate the amount of H_2O_2 needs to take.



The amount of KMnO_4 in 35 to 45 mL of the reagent is between

$$\begin{aligned}\text{amount KMnO}_4 &= 35 \text{ mL KMnO}_4 \times 0.01145 \frac{\text{mmol KMnO}_4}{\text{mL KMnO}_4} \\ &= 0.401 \text{ mmol KMnO}_4\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\text{amount KMnO}_4 = 45 \times 0.01145 = 0.515 \text{ mmol KMnO}_4$$

The amount of H_2O_2 consumed by 0.401 mmol of KMnO_4 is

$$\text{amount H}_2\text{O}_2 = 0.401 \text{ mmol KMnO}_4 \times \frac{5 \text{ mmol H}_2\text{O}_2}{2 \text{ mmol KMnO}_4} = 1.00 \text{ mmol H}_2\text{O}_2$$

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and

$$\text{amount H}_2\text{O}_2 = 0.515 \times \frac{5}{2} = 1.29 \text{ mmol H}_2\text{O}_2$$

We, therefore, need to take samples that contain from 1.00 to 1.29 mmol H_2O_2 .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{mass sample} &= 1.00 \text{ mmol H}_2\text{O}_2 \times 0.03401 \frac{\text{g H}_2\text{O}_2}{\text{mmol H}_2\text{O}_2} \times \frac{100 \text{ g sample}}{3 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}_2} \\ &= 1.1 \text{ g sample}\end{aligned}$$

to

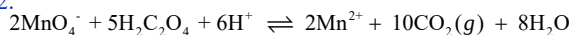
$$\text{mass sample} = 1.29 \times 0.03401 \times \frac{100}{3} = 1.5 \text{ g sample}$$

Thus, our samples should weigh between 1.1 and 1.5 g. These should be diluted to perhaps 75 to 100 mL with water and made slightly acidic with dilute H_2SO_4 before titration.

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The purity of a sample of sodium oxalate, $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$, is determined by titrating with a standard solution of KMnO_4 . If a 0.5116-g sample requires 35.62 mL of 0.0400 M KMnO_4 to reach the titration's end point, what is the %w/w $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ in the sample.

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The moles of KMnO_4 used to reach the end point is

$$(0.0400 \text{ M KMnO}_4)(0.03562 \text{ L}) = 1.42 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol KMnO}_4$$

which means the sample contains

$$1.42 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol KMnO}_4 \times \frac{5 \text{ mol Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4}{2 \text{ mol KMnO}_4} = 3.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$$

Thus, the %w/w $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$ in the sample of ore is

$$3.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 \times \frac{134.00 \text{ g Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4}{\text{mol Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4} = 0.476 \text{ g Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$$

$$\frac{0.476 \text{ g Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4}{0.5116 \text{ g sample}} \times 100 = 93.0\% \text{ w/w Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$$

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