

# Electrochemistry

## UNIT 5: ELECTROCHEMISTRY OUTCOMES

*All important vocabulary is in Italics and bold.*

- Outline the development of our understanding of *oxidation* and *reduction* reactions
- Develop an activity series
- Determine the *oxidation numbers* for atoms in compounds and ions
- Identify reactions as redox or non-redox  
*Include: oxidizing agent, reducing agent*
- Balance oxidation-reduction reactions using redox methods  
*Include: oxidation number method, and half-reaction method*
- Explain the operation of a *voltaic (galvanic)* cell at the visual, particulate and symbolic level  
*Include: writing half-cell reactions and overall reaction*
- Define standard *electrode potential*
- Calculate *standard cell potentials* given standard electrode potentials
- Predict the spontaneity of reactions using standard electrode potentials
- Compare and contrast voltaic (galvanic) and *electrolytic cells*
- Explain the operation of an electrolytic cell at the visual, particulate and symbolic levels  
*Include: a molten and aqueous electrolytic cells*
- Using *Faraday's law*, solve problems related to electrolytic cells

### Additional KEY Terms

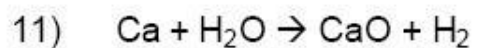
line notation	anode	cathode
salt bridge	molten	

**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON OX.NUMBER AND REDOX REACTIONS:**

*In each of the following chemicals, determine the oxidation states of each element:*

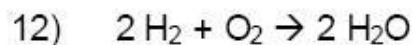
- 1) sodium nitrate \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) ammonia \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) zinc oxide \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) water \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) calcium hydride \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) carbon dioxide \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) nitrogen \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) sodium sulfate \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) aluminum hydroxide \_\_\_\_\_
- 10) magnesium phosphate \_\_\_\_\_

*In each of the following reactions, determine what was oxidized and what was reduced.*



Element oxidized: \_\_\_\_\_

Element reduced: \_\_\_\_\_



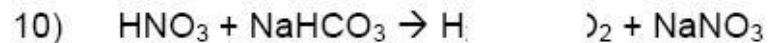
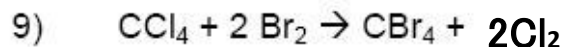
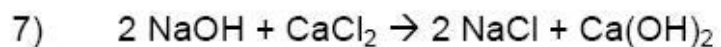
Element oxidized: \_\_\_\_\_

Element reduced: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the oxidation states of each of the elements in the following chemical species:

- 1) NaOH
- 2) HBr
- 3) VF<sub>5</sub>
- 4) Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
- 5) NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-1</sup>
- 6) SiOF<sub>2</sub>

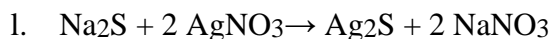
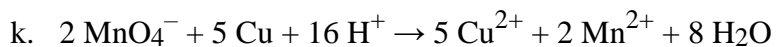
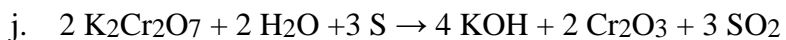
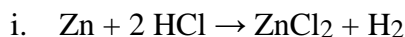
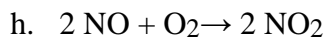
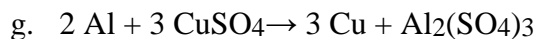
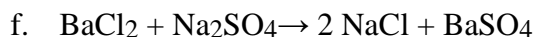
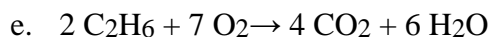
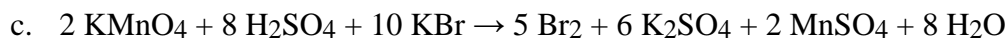
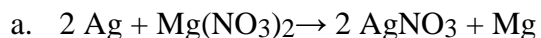
Determine which of the following reactions are redox reactions. For those that are, identify the element which has been oxidized and the one that has been reduced:



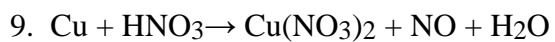
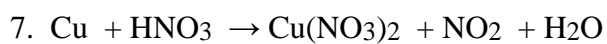
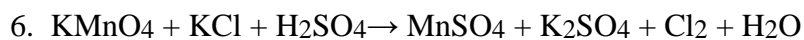
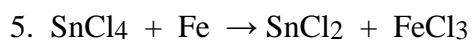
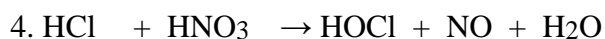
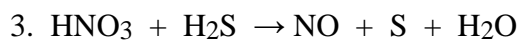
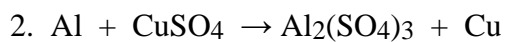
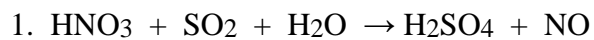
**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON OX.NUMBER AND REDOX REACTIONS:**

1. Which of the following equations represents a redox reaction? For the redox reactions, identify

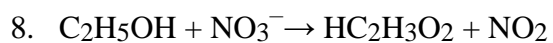
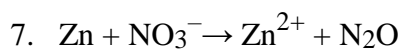
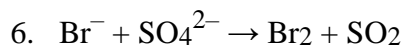
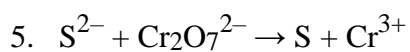
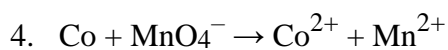
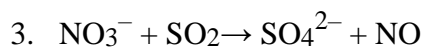
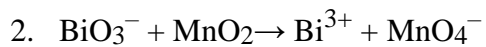
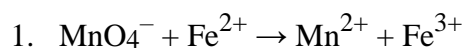
- element oxidized
- element reduced
- oxidizing agent
- reducing agent
- number of electrons transferred



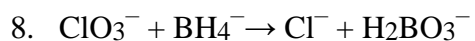
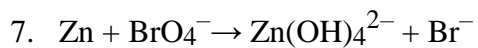
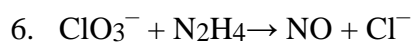
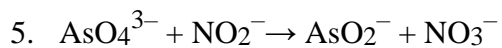
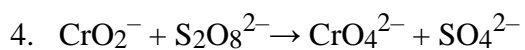
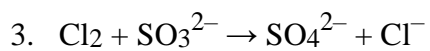
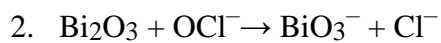
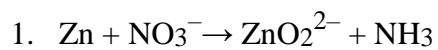
**Balance the following using the Oxidation Number Method.**



Use the Half-Reaction Method to balance the following redox reactions in *acidic* solutions.



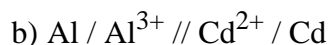
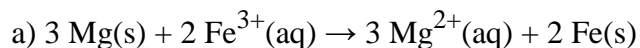
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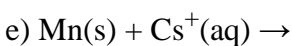
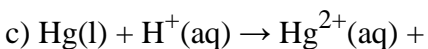
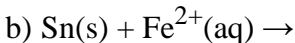


Use the Standard Reduction Potentials Chart to answer the following questions.

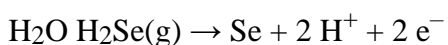
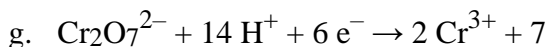
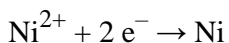
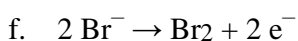
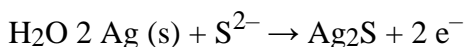
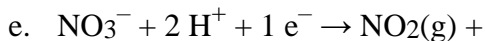
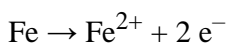
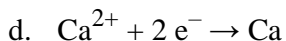
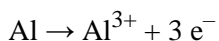
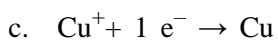
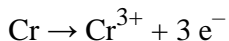
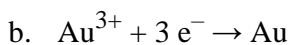
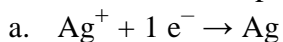
1. Draw labeled electrochemical cells indicating the (i) electrodes, (ii) types of ions and their direction of motion, (iii) electrode reactions and (iv) the line notation or overall reaction for the cell:



2. Complete the following reactions using the Standard Electrode Potential table. Determine the net cell potential and state if the reaction will occur.



3. Write the  $E^\circ$  voltages for each half cell reaction, the net cell reaction and the net cell voltage. Indicate if the reaction will be spontaneous as written or not.



4. For each of the following electrochemical cells indicate

- (i) identity of the cathode
- (ii) identity of the anode
- (iii) the electrode reactions
- (iv) the net reaction
- (v) line notation
- (vi) the cell potential

a) Nickel and silver electrodes

b) Lead and zinc electrodes

c) Magnesium and chlorine electrodes

d) Sodium and manganese electrodes

5. A silver-lead cell is set up.

- a. In which half-cell does reduction occur?
- b. Write the half-cell reactions and the net reaction.
- c. Which metal is the anode?
- d. In which direction are the electrons moving?
- e. What is the cell's voltage?

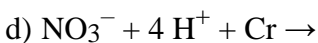
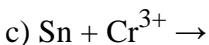
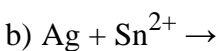
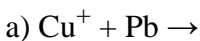
Use the Reduction Potentials chart to answer the following questions.

1. In an experiment, strips of metals X, Y and Z were placed in beaker containing solutions of  $X^+$ ,  $Y^+$ ,  $Z^+$ . The following data was obtained.



Arrange the ions above in order of increasing tendency to attract electrons.

2. Indicate whether or not the following reactions will occur based on the Standard Reduction Potential. If the reaction occurs, complete the equation.



3. Answer the following questions about these substances:  $Au^{3+}$ , Cr,  $Sn^{2+}$ ,  $Br^-$  Note: more than one species can be used for some answers.

a) most easily reduced

b) least affinity for electrons

c) least easily oxidized

d) most easily oxidized

e) which will reduce  $Au^{3+} \rightarrow Au(s)$

4. Substances A, B, C, D & E are metals, which form positive ions. Ions of metal A react with metal E but not with metal C. However, metal C does react with solutions containing ions of metal D & B. Metal D will not react with ions of metal B.

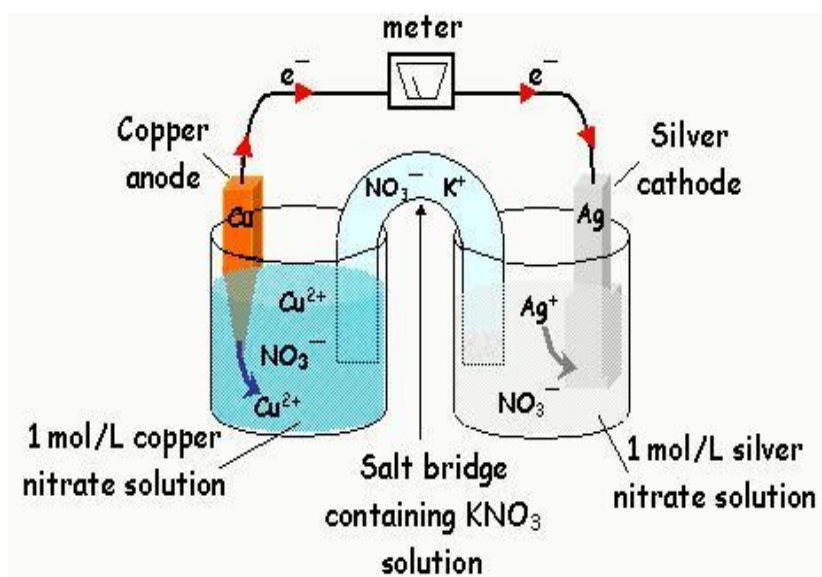
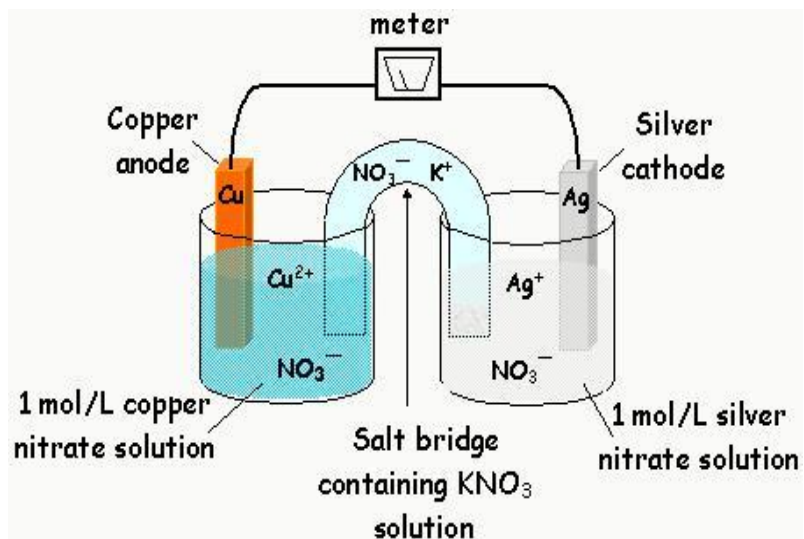
List the metal ions placing the best oxidizing agent at the bottom.

5. In each of the following situations, write balanced net ionic equations to represent the reaction expected and indicate whether the reaction is spontaneous or not.
- a) A copper strip of metal is placed in a solution of zinc nitrate.
  - b) A lead strip is placed in a solution of zinc nitrate.
  - c) Hydrochloric acid is placed into a container of lead metal.
  - d) Hydrochloric acid is placed into a container of zinc metal.
  - e) A copper strip is placed in a solution of lead (II) nitrate.
  - f) A Zinc strip is placed in a solution of copper (II) nitrate.
  - g) A solution of hydrochloric acid is placed into a container of copper.
  - h) Lead (II) nitrate solution is placed into a container of zinc metal.
  - i) A lead strip is placed in a solution of copper (II) nitrate.
  - j) Fluorine gas is bubbled into a sodium bromide solution.

**Answer the following questions using Faraday's law. Be sure to show all your work.**

1. If 7.85 amp flows through a molten solution of copper I chloride for 45.0 min, how many moles of electrons flow through the cell? **(0.220)**
2. How many seconds would be needed to generate 3.00 moles of electrons from 10.0 amp of current? **(28950)**
3. Using 2.50 moles of electrons, what mass of copper metal would be produced from molten copper (II) sulfate? **(79.4)**
4. If 9.00 amp flows for 10.0 min through an aqueous silver nitrate solution, what mass of silver metal would be formed? **(6.04)**
5. What time would be needed to deposit 42.50 g of Zinc metal from 5.00 amp of current through a molten solution of Zinc (II) bromide? **(25048)**
6. Calculate the mass of products generated at each electrode if 15.0 amp flows for 7.51 minutes through molten  $\text{MgF}_2$ . **(0.851, 1.33)**
7. How long would an aqueous gold (III) chloride cell need to operate to plate 2.5 g of gold on a bracelet with a current of 2.5 A? **(1470)**

8. If 10.0 g of sulfur is deposited on an electrode in an electrolytic cell, calculate the mass of silver deposited on the other electrode. **(67.2)**
9. How long will it take to use up all the  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  ions in 400.0 mL of a 0.120 mol/L solution using a current of 1.50 A? **(9264)**
10. What products would be expected at each electrode? Write the half reactions and calculate the battery voltage needed to electrolyze the following:
- a) molten silver bromide **(0.26 V)**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b) molten magnesium chloride **(3.73 V)**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - c) *aqueous* copper (II) fluoride **(0.89 V)**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - d) *aqueous* aluminum chloride **(2.06 V)**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - e) *aqueous* iron (III) sulphate **(1.67 V)**



## Standard Reduction Potentials

All values are for 1.0 M aqueous solutions at 25°C

Half-Reaction	$E^\circ$ (volts)
$F_2(g) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 F^-$	+2.87
$H_2O_2 + 2 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 H_2O$	+1.77
$MnO_4^- + 8 H^+ + 5e^- \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$	+1.52
$Au^{3+} + 3e^- \rightarrow Au(s)$	+1.50
$Cl_2(g) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 Cl^-$	+1.36
$Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14 H^+ + 6e^- \rightarrow 2 Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$	+1.33
$MnO_2(s) + 4 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O$	+1.28
$2 O_2(g) + 4 H^+ + 4e^- \rightarrow 2 H_2O$	+1.23
$Br_2(g) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 Br^-$	+1.06
$NO_3^- + 4H^+ + 3e^- \rightarrow NO(g) + 2 H_2O$	+0.96
$Ag^+ + e^- \rightarrow Ag(s)$	+0.80
$1/2 Hg_2^{2+} + e^- \rightarrow Hg(l)$	+0.79
$Hg^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Hg(l)$	+0.78
$NO_3^- + 2 H^+ + e^- \rightarrow NO_2(g) + H_2O$	+0.78
$Fe^{3+} + e^- \rightarrow Fe^{2+}$	+0.77
$O_2(g) + 2 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2O_2$	+0.68
$I_2(s) + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 I^-$	+0.53
$Cu^+ + e^- \rightarrow Cu(s)$	+0.52
$Cu^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu(s)$	+0.34
$SO_4^{2-} + 4 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow SO_2(g) + 2H_2O$	+0.17
$Cu^{2+} + e^- \rightarrow Cu^+$	+0.15
$Sn^{4+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Sn^{2+}$	+0.15
$S + 2 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2S(g)$	+0.14
$2 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2(g)$	0.00
$Fe^{3+} + 3e^- \rightarrow Fe(s)$	-0.04
$Pb^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Pb(s)$	-0.13
$Sn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Sn(s)$	-0.14
$Ni^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Ni(s)$	-0.25
$Co^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Co(s)$	-0.28
$Cd^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Cd(s)$	-0.40
$Se + 2 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2Se(g)$	-0.40
$Cr^{3+} + e^- \rightarrow Cr^{2+}$	-0.41
$Fe^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Fe(s)$	-0.44
$Cr^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Cr(s)$	-0.56
$Ag_2S + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 Ag(s) + S^{2-}$	-0.69
$Te + 2 H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2Te(g)$	-0.72
$Cr^{3+} + 3e^- \rightarrow Cr(s)$	-0.74
$Zn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Zn(s)$	-0.76
$2 H_2O + 2e^- \rightarrow 2 OH^- + H_2(g)$	-0.83
$Mn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Mn(s)$	-1.18
$Al^{3+} + 3e^- \rightarrow Al(s)$	-1.66
$Mg^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Mg(s)$	-2.37
$Na^+ + e^- \rightarrow Na(s)$	-2.71
$Ca^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Ca(s)$	-2.87
$Sr^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Sr(s)$	-2.89
$Ba^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Ba(s)$	-2.90
$K^+ + e^- \rightarrow K(s)$	-2.92





-3.00

## POLYATOMIC IONS

NAME	FORMULA	CHARGE
ACETATE	$\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$	-1
AMMONIUM	$\text{NH}_4^+$	+1
HYDROGEN CARBONATE ( <i>BICARBONATE</i> )	$\text{HCO}_3^-$	-1
CARBONATE	$\text{CO}_3^{-2}$	-2
CHLORATE	$\text{ClO}_3^-$	-1
CHLORITE	$\text{ClO}_2^-$	-1
CHROMATE	$\text{CrO}_4^{-2}$	-2
DICHROMATE	$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{-2}$	-2
DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE	$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$	-1
HYDROGEN PHOSPHATE	$\text{HPO}_4^{-2}$	-2
PHOSPHATE	$\text{PO}_4^{-3}$	-3
HYDROGEN SULFATE ( <i>BISULFATE</i> )	$\text{HSO}_4^-$	-1
SULFATE	$\text{SO}_4^{-2}$	-2
HYDROGEN SULFITE ( <i>BISULFITE</i> )	$\text{HSO}_3^-$	-1
SULFITE	$\text{SO}_3^{-2}$	-2
HYDRONIUM	$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$	+1
HYDROXIDE	$\text{OH}^-$	-1
PERCHLORATE	$\text{ClO}_4^-$	-1
HYPOCHLORITE	$\text{ClO}^-$ ( <i>OCl</i> )	-1
NITRATE	$\text{NO}_3^-$	-1
NITRITE	$\text{NO}_2^-$	-1
PERMANGANATE	$\text{MnO}_4^-$	-1
THIOCYANATE	$\text{SCN}^-$	-1