

## Applying electrode potential data

Reminders from Chem FactSheet 199:

- Each **half equation** has an associated **standard electrode potential** e.g.  $\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}(\text{s})$ ;  $E^\ominus = +0.34\text{V}$
- Each electrode potential is measured relative to a **standard hydrogen electrode**. By convention, this is made to correspond to the zero point of a scale of measurement of redox powers by **assigning it an  $E^\ominus$  value of 0.00 volts**.
- All  $E^\ominus$  measurements are made at **1.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>, 298K and 100kPa**.
- A **more negative  $E^\ominus$  value** indicates a **more reducing system**. i.e. one that is more likely to **give electrons**, causing **reduction**, but become **oxidised itself**.
- A **more positive  $E^\ominus$  value** indicates a **more oxidising system**. i.e. one that is more likely to **take electrons**, causing **oxidation**, but become **reduced itself**.
- Arranged in order of  $E^\ominus$  values, a list of half equations with corresponding  $E^\ominus$  values is called the **electrochemical series**.
- Usually, they are arranged such that the **more negative  $E^\ominus$  values appear at the top** of the list with the **oxidising agents (oxidants) on the left** and the **reducing agents (reductants) on the right**.

OXIDANTS		REDUCTANTS	$E^\ominus / \text{V}$
1 $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Zn}(\text{s})$	- 0.76
2 $\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$	- 0.26
3 $2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}_2(\text{g})$	0.00
4 $\text{SO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+ 0.17
5 $\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Cu}(\text{s})$	+ 0.34
6 $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+ 0.34
7 $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})$	+ 0.77
8 $\text{VO}_2^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+ 1.00
9 $\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + 8\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 5\text{e}^-$	$\rightleftharpoons$	$\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	+ 1.51

Given such data, you may be asked to carry out any of the following tasks. In the self-assessed questions, S1 etc, delete one or more of the alternatives or insert words or phrases to create correct statements. Check your answers at the end of this FactSheet.

### 1. PLACE SPECIES IN ORDER OF REDUCING or OXIDISING POWER

- S1 The **more reducing** system is, then the more **NEGATIVE / POSITIVE** its associated  $E^\ominus$  value is.
- S2 The **more oxidising** system is, then the more **NEGATIVE / POSITIVE** its associated  $E^\ominus$  value is.
- S3 Hence, in Table 1,
- the **most oxidising** species is \_\_\_\_\_
  - the **least oxidising** species is \_\_\_\_\_
  - the **most reducing** species is \_\_\_\_\_
  - the **least reducing** species is \_\_\_\_\_
- S4 Arrange acidified  $\text{VO}_2^+(\text{aq})$ ,  $\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq})$ , acidified  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq})$  and  $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  in order of **increasing oxidising power**.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- S5 Arrange acidified  $\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq})$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ ,  $\text{Zn}(\text{s})$  and  $\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  in order of **increasing reducing power**.
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### 2. DECIDE WHICH SPECIES ARE CAPABLE OF OXIDISING OR REDUCING ANOTHER SPECIES

Remember a redox reaction **MUST** occur between a reducing agent and an oxidising agent so that one can give electrons and the other can accept them.

- S6 Reducing agent "A" *should* reduce oxidising agent "B" provided A's  $E^\ominus$  value is more **NEGATIVE / POSITIVE** than B's
- S7 Alternatively, oxidising agent "B" *should* oxidise reducing agent "A" provided B's  $E^\ominus$  value is more **NEGATIVE / POSITIVE** than A's.

Note the use of the word "should"! Predictions based on  $E^\ominus$  values give the **energetic feasibility** under **standard conditions**. However, a predicted "positive" reaction may not actually occur because:

- it is **kinetically controlled** by a high activation energy or
- it is carried out under **non-standard conditions**.

Using the data from Table

- S8 Zinc **WILL / WILL NOT reduce** iron(III) because its  $E^\ominus$  value is **MORE / LESS** negative than that of iron(III).
- S9 Iron(II) **WILL / WILL NOT reduce** vanadium(III) because its  $E^\ominus$  value is **MORE / LESS** negative than that of vanadium(III).
- S10 Iron(III) **WILL / WILL NOT oxidise**  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  because its  $E^\ominus$  value is **MORE / LESS** positive than that of  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .
- S11 Acidified  $\text{VO}_2^+(\text{aq})$  **WILL / WILL NOT oxidise**  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  because its  $E^\ominus$  value is **MORE / LESS** positive than that of  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .

### 3. DECIDE THE REACTION PRODUCTS OF A REDOX REACTION

Remembering that the **reducing agent is oxidised** during the course of a redox reaction, and the **oxidising agent is reduced**, then:

- the half equation with the **more positive  $E^\ominus$  value** (i.e. more oxidising) will proceed from **left to right** (i.e. reduction). and
- the half equation with the **more negative  $E^\ominus$  value** (i.e. more reducing) will proceed from right to left (i.e. oxidation).

- S12 Using S8, zinc will *reduce* iron(III) because its  $E^\ominus$  value is more negative than that of iron(III). Hence the zinc will change to \_\_\_\_\_ and the iron(III) will change to \_\_\_\_\_.

- S13 Using S11, acidified  $\text{VO}_2^+(\text{aq})$  will *oxidise*  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  because its  $E^\ominus$  value is more positive than that of  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ . Hence  $\text{VO}_2^+(\text{aq})$  will change to \_\_\_\_\_ and the  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  will change to \_\_\_\_\_.

Be careful to look for **multiple** oxidations or reductions! This can occur when an element has **several different oxidation states**. Vanadium is a good example because it can be V(+2), (+3), (+4) or (+5). Hence, you might have predicted a reduction of V(+5) to (+4) but you should check whether further reduction to (+3) and/ or (+2) is possible for the reducing agent being used.

e.g. **Oxidising**  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  using  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  will firstly produce  $\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  since +0.77V for  $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  is more positive than -0.26V for  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .

Also, provided there is sufficient oxidising agent, the  $V^{3+}(aq)$  product will then be further oxidised to  $VO_2^+(aq)$  since  $+0.77V$  for  $Fe^{3+}(aq)$  is also more positive than  $+0.34V$  for  $V^{3+}(aq)$ . However, the  $VO_2^+(aq)$  will **NOT** then be oxidised to  $VO_2^+(aq)$  since  $+0.77V$  for  $Fe^{3+}(aq)$  is NOT more positive than  $+1.00V$  for  $VO_2^+(aq)$ .

S14 **Reducing**  $VO_2^+(aq)$  using  $H_2SO_3(aq)$  will firstly produce \_\_\_\_\_ since  $+0.17V$  for  $H_2SO_3(aq)$  is more negative than  $+1.00V$  for  $VO_2^+(aq)$ .

Also, provided there is sufficient reducing agent, this product will then be further reduced to \_\_\_\_\_ since  $+0.17V$  for  $H_2SO_3(aq)$  is also more negative than  $+0.34V$  for  $VO_2^+(aq)$ .

However, this product will **NOT** then be reduced to \_\_\_\_\_ since  $+0.17V$  for  $H_2SO_3(aq)$  is NOT more negative than  $-0.26V$  for  $V^{3+}(aq)$ .

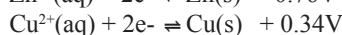
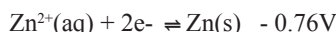
#### 4. CALCULATE $E^\circ_{cell}$ FOR A GIVEN REDOX REACTION

For a general redox reaction,  
 OXIDANT + REDUCTANT  $\rightarrow$  PRODUCTS.  
 $E^\circ_{cell}$  for the reaction is given by  $E^\circ_{OXIDANT} - E^\circ_{REDUCTANT}$ . You may see this presented as:  $E^\circ_{cell} = E^\circ_{REDUCED\ SUBSTANCE} - E^\circ_{OXIDISED\ SUBSTANCE}$  since the oxidant is reduced and the reductant is oxidised.

e.g.  $Zn(s) + Cu^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Zn^{2+}(aq) + Cu(s)$

Zn is the reductant since it gives electrons to the  $Cu^{2+}$ .

$Cu^{2+}$  is the oxidant since it takes electrons from the Zn.

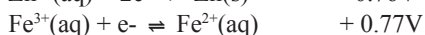
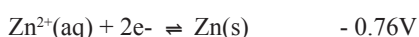


$$\text{Hence, } E^\circ_{cell} = +0.34 - (-0.76) = +1.10V.$$

S15  $Zn^{2+}(aq) + 2Fe^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Zn(s) + 2Fe^{3+}(aq)$

\_\_\_\_\_ is the reductant since it gives electrons to the \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is the oxidant since it takes electrons from the \_\_\_\_\_.

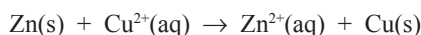


$$\text{Hence, } E^\circ_{cell} = \text{_____} = \text{_____}.$$

#### 5. USE $E^\circ_{cell}$ TO DECIDE THE FEASIBILITY OF A REDOX REACTION

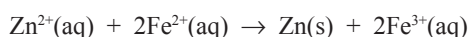
A redox reaction is energetically feasible under standard conditions if, and only if,  $E^\circ_{cell} > 0$

Hence, using the example from S15.



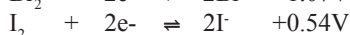
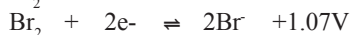
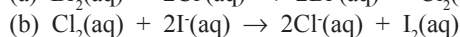
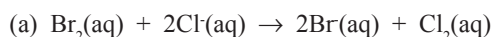
**IS** energetically feasible since its  $E^\circ_{cell}$  **is positive** (+1.10V).

Similarly, using the example from S15,



**IS NOT** energetically feasible since its  $E^\circ_{cell}$  **is negative** (-1.53V).

S16 Use  $E^\circ_{cell}$  to decide the energetic feasibility of each of the following reactions under standard conditions:



For (a) Oxidant = **BROMINE / CHLORIDE** ;  
 Reductant = **BROMINE / CHLORIDE**.

$$\text{Hence, } E^\circ_{cell} = \text{_____} - \text{_____} = \text{_____}.$$

Hence reaction (a) **IS / IS NOT** energetically feasible under standard conditions.

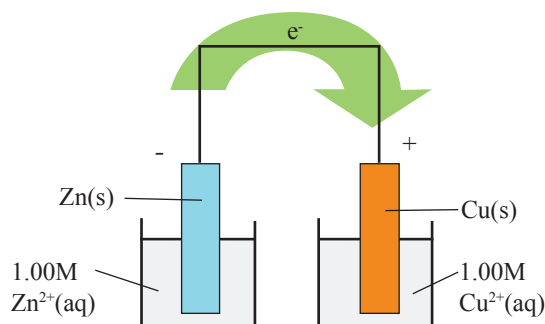
For (b) Oxidant = **CHLORINE / IODIDE** ;  
 Reductant = **CHLORINE / IODIDE**.

$$\text{Hence, } E^\circ_{cell} = \text{_____} - \text{_____} = \text{_____}.$$

Hence reaction (b) **IS / IS NOT** energetically feasible under standard conditions.

#### 6. DEDUCE A CELL REACTION

This is the **chemical reaction responsible for the current when the electrodes of an electrochemical cell are connected by a wire**.



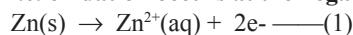
Consider the following half reactions being used to construct a cell as shown.



Since the zinc electrode potential is more negative than copper, electrons are released at the zinc electrode and travel round the circuit to the positive copper electrode.

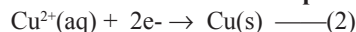
This means zinc atoms change to zinc ions at the negative electrode.

i.e. **oxidation occurs at the negative electrode** :



and (b) copper ions change to copper atoms at the positive electrode

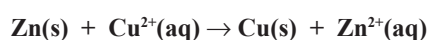
i.e. **reduction occurs at the positive electrode** :



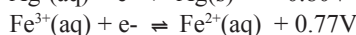
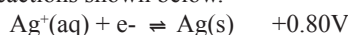
Oxidation occurs at the negative electrode but reduction occurs at the positive electrode. Hence the **half equation with the MORE NEGATIVE electrode potential is REVERSED** during the cell reaction.

Combining these half equations in appropriate proportions to balance the electrons then gives the required cell reaction.

Hence equations (1) and (2) combine 1:1 to give:



S17 Deduce the cell reaction for the cell constructed using the 2 half-reactions shown below.

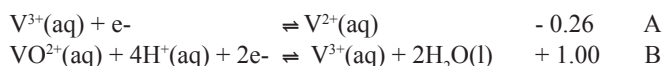


These data show the **more negative** electrode is **Ag / Fe** electrode.

Hence, this half reaction is reversed giving \_\_\_\_\_

This is combined with the other half reaction in the ratio \_\_\_\_\_ to give the cell reaction: \_\_\_\_\_

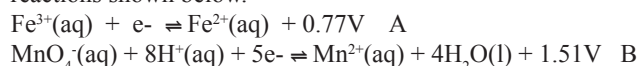
S18 Deduce the cell reaction for the cell constructed using the 2 half-reactions shown below.



These data show the more negative electrode is electrode A / B.  
Hence, this half reaction is reversed giving \_\_\_\_\_

This is combined with the other half reaction in the ratio \_\_\_\_\_  
to give the cell reaction:

S19 Deduce the cell reaction for the cell constructed using the 2 half-reactions shown below.



These data show the more negative electrode is electrode A / B.  
Hence, this half reaction is reversed giving \_\_\_\_\_

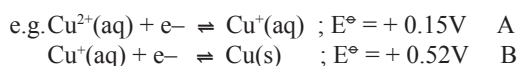
This is combined with the other half reaction in the ratio \_\_\_\_\_  
to give the cell reaction:

## 7. PREDICT & EXPLAIN DISPROPORTIONATION REACTIONS

Disproportionations are reactions involving the simultaneous oxidation and reduction of the same species.

e.g.  $2\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{V}^{2+} + \text{VO}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$   
This is a disproportionation because  $\text{V}^{3+}$  is simultaneously oxidised (+3 to +4) to  $\text{VO}^{2+}$  and reduced (+3 to +2) to  $\text{V}^{2+}$ .

For a disproportionation to occur, there are 2 requirements:  
(a) an intermediate oxidation state must exist.  
e.g. V(+3) between V(+2) and V(+4) in the above example.  
(b) the electrode potential for the oxidation from intermediate oxidation state to the higher oxidation state must be more negative than the electrode potential for the reduction from intermediate oxidation state to the lower oxidation state.



Here the intermediate oxidation state is  $\text{Cu}^+$ .

The electrode potential for half reaction A is more negative than B.

Hence **half reaction A will be reversed** giving

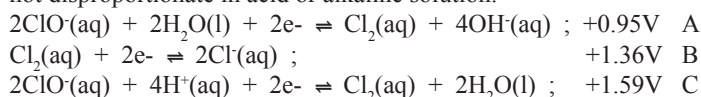


Combining this with half reaction B gives the equation for the disproportionation i.e.  $2\text{Cu}^+(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{s}) + \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Furthermore, } E^\ominus_{\text{cell}} &= E^\ominus_{\text{oxidant}} - E^\ominus_{\text{reductant}} \\ &= E^\ominus_{\text{more +ve}} - E^\ominus_{\text{more -ve}} \\ &= (+0.52) - (+0.15) = +0.37\text{V}. \end{aligned}$$

This positive  $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$  value confirms this disproportionation is energetically feasible under standard conditions.

S20 Use the following data to predict whether chlorine will or will not disproportionate in acid or alkaline solution.



1. In acid conditions, half reactions B and C need to be used since  $\text{H}^+$  ions are involved in C.

Of these, B / C is the more negative and should be reversed giving:

Combining this with the other half-equation gives:

This IS / IS NOT a disproportionation of chlorine.

2. In alkaline conditions, half reactions A and B need to be used since  $\text{OH}^-$  ions are involved in A.

Of these, A / B is the more negative and should be reversed giving:

Combining this with the other half-equation gives:

This IS / IS NOT a disproportionation of chlorine.

## 8. DEDUCE THE EFFECTS OF CONCENTRATION CHANGES ON $E^\ominus$ AND $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$ VALUES

This can be done using Le Chatelier's Principle.

Consider a general half equation: Oxidant +  $n\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons$  Reductant --- (A)

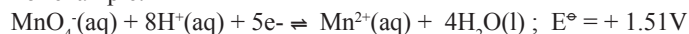
S21 If the oxidant concentration is increased, equilibrium (A) will shift to the LEFT / RIGHT. Hence MORE / LESS electrons will be taken from the measuring electrode. This will make the measured electrode potential MORE / LESS positive.

If the oxidant concentration is decreased, equilibrium (A) will shift to the LEFT / RIGHT. Hence MORE / LESS electrons will be taken from the measuring electrode. This will make the measured electrode potential MORE / LESS positive.

If the reductant concentration is increased, equilibrium (A) will shift to the LEFT / RIGHT. Hence MORE / LESS electrons will be given to the measuring electrode. This will make the measured electrode potential MORE / LESS negative.

If the reductant concentration is decreased, equilibrium (A) will shift to the LEFT / RIGHT. Hence MORE / LESS electrons will be given to the measuring electrode. This will make the measured electrode potential MORE / LESS negative.

For example:



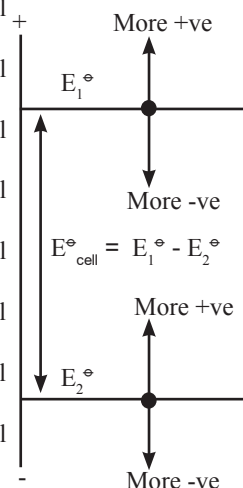
This electrode potential (+1.51V) can be made:

- more positive (less negative) by increasing / decreasing  $[\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq})]$
- more positive (less negative) by increasing / decreasing  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$
- more positive (less negative) by increasing / decreasing  $[\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$
- more negative (less positive) by increasing / decreasing  $[\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq})]$
- more negative (less positive) by increasing / decreasing  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$
- more negative (less positive) by increasing / decreasing  $[\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$ .

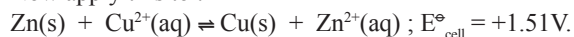
But how will these effects change any  $E^\ominus_{\text{cell}}$  value?

S22 Referring to your S21 answers and the diagram below:

- increasing [oxidant] for the  $E_1$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- decreasing [oxidant] for the  $E_1$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- increasing [reductant] for the  $E_1$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- decreasing [reductant] for the  $E_1$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- increasing [oxidant] for the  $E_2$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- decreasing [oxidant] for the  $E_2$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- increasing [reductant] for the  $E_2$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$
- decreasing [reductant] for the  $E_2$  system will increase / decrease  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$  relative to  $E_{\text{cell}}^\ominus$



S23 Now apply this to :



In order to increase the value of  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$   
 $[\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$  should be INCREASED / DECREASED.

In order to decrease the value of  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$   
 $[\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$  should be INCREASED / DECREASED.

### ANSWERS TO SELF-ASSESSED QUESTIONS

S1 more NEGATIVE -- .

S2 more POSITIVE -- .

S3 (a) Acidified  $\text{MnO}_4^-$  (b)  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  (c) Zn (d)  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$

S4  $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) < \text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq}) < \text{acidified SO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq}) < \text{acidified VO}^+(\text{aq})$

S5  $\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) < \text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) < \text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq}) < \text{Zn(s)}$

S6 A's  $E^{\circ}$  value is more NEGATIVE than B's

S7 B's  $E^{\circ}$  value is more POSITIVE than A's.

S8 WILL reduce iron(III) because its  $E^{\circ}$  value is MORE negative

S9 WILL NOT reduce vanadium(III) because its  $E^{\circ}$  value is LESS negative --

S10 WILL NOT oxidise  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  because its  $E^{\circ}$  value is LESS positive --

S11 WILL oxidise  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  because its  $E^{\circ}$  value is MORE positive

S12 zinc will change to  $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  and the iron(III) will change to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .

S13  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  will change to  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  and the  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  will change to  $\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq})$ .

S14  $\text{VO}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  --  $\text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq})$  --  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq})$

S15  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  is the reductant since it gives electrons to the  $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .  
 $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  is the oxidant since it takes electrons from the  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq})$ .  
 $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} = -0.76 - (+0.77) = -1.53\text{V.}$

S16 For (a) Oxidant = BROMINE ; Reductant = CHLORIDE.

Hence,  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} = +1.07 - (+1.36) = -0.29\text{V.}$

Hence reaction (a) IS NOT energetically feasible under standard conditions.

For (b) Oxidant = CHLORINE ; Reductant = IODIDE.

Hence,  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} = +1.36 - (+0.54) = +0.82\text{V.}$

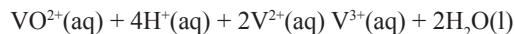
Hence reaction (b) IS energetically feasible under standard conditions.

S17 These data show the more negative electrode is Fe electrode.

half reaction is reversed giving  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$   
 combined with the other half reaction in the ratio 1:1 –  
 the cell reaction:  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{Ag(s)}$

S18 These data show the more negative electrode is electrode A.

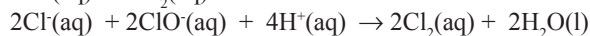
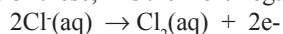
Hence, this half reaction is reversed giving  $\text{V}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{V}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$   
 combined with the other half reaction in the ratio 1:2 –  
 the cell reaction:



S19 These data show the more negative electrode is electrode A.

Hence, this half reaction is reversed giving  $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + \text{e}^-$   
 combined with the other half reaction in the ratio 1:5 –  
 $\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + 8\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 5\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}_2\text{O(l)} + 5\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq})$

S20 1. Of these, B is the more negative and should be reversed giving:



This IS NOT a disproportionation of chlorine.

2. Of these, A is the more negative and should be reversed giving:



This IS a disproportionation of chlorine.

S21 oxidant concentration is increased -- RIGHT -- MORE -- MORE positive.

oxidant concentration is decreased -- LEFT -- LESS -- LESS positive.

reductant concentration is increased – LEFT – MORE -- MORE negative.

reductant concentration is DEcreased – RIGHT – LESS -- LESS negative.

1. more positive (less negative) by INCREASING  $[\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq})]$

2. more positive (less negative) by INCREASING  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$

3. more positive (less negative) by DECREASING  $[\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$

4. more negative (less positive) by DECREASING  $[\text{MnO}_4^-(\text{aq})]$

5. more negative (less positive) by DECREASING  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$

6. more negative (less positive) by INCREASING  $[\text{Mn}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$ .

S22 Referring to your S21 answers and the diagram opposite:

(a) increasing [oxidant] for the E1 system will INCREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(b) decreasing [oxidant] for the E1 system will DECREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(c) increasing [reductant] for the E1 system will DECREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(d) decreasing [reductant] for the E1 system will INCREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(e) increasing [oxidant] for the E2 system will DECREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(f) decreasing [oxidant] for the E2 system will INCREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(g) increasing [reductant] for the E2 system will INCREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

(h) decreasing [reductant] for the E2 system will DECREASE  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$

S23 In order to increase the value of  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$ ,  $[\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$  should be INCREASED.

In order to decrease the value of  $E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$ ,  $[\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})]$  should be DECREASED.

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