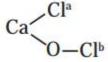
# Maharashtra State Board 11th Chemistry Solutions Chapter 6 Redox Reactions

#### 1. Choose the most correct option

#### Question A.

Oxidation numbers of CI atoms marked as Cla and Clb in CaOCl2 (bleaching powder) are



a. zero in each

b. -1 in Cla and +1 in Clb

c. +1 in Cla and -1 in Clb

d. 1 in each

Answer:

b. -1 in Cla and +1 in Clb

#### Question B.

Which of the following is not an example of redox reacton?

a.  $CuO + H_2 \rightarrow Cu + H_2O$ 

b.  $Fe2O_3 + 3CO_2 \rightarrow 2Fe + 3CO_2$ 

c.  $2K + F_2 \rightarrow 2KF$ 

d.  $BaCl_2 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow BaSO_4 + 2HCl$ 

Answer:

d.  $BaCl_2 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow BaSO_4 + 2HCl$ 

#### Question C.

A compound contains atoms of three elements A, B and C. If the oxidation state of A is +2, B is +5 and that of C is -2, the compound is possibly represented by

a. A2(BC3)2

b. A<sub>3</sub>(BC<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

c. A3(B4C)2

d. ABC<sub>2</sub> Answer:

b. A<sub>3</sub>(BC<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

# Question D.

The coefficients p, q, r, s in the reaction

 $pCr_2O_{2-7} + q Fe_{2} \rightarrow r Cr_{3} + s Fe_{3} + H_{2}O respectively are :$ 

a. 1, 2, 6, 6

b. 6, 1, 2, 4

c. 1, 6, 2, 6

d. 1, 2, 4, 6

Answer:

c. 1, 6, 2, 6

# Question E.

For the following redox reactions, find the correct statement.

 $Sn2 \oplus + 2Fe3 \oplus \rightarrow Sn4 \oplus + 2Fe2 \oplus$ 

a. Sn2  $\oplus$  is undergoing oxidation

b. Fe<sub>3</sub>⊕ is undergoing oxidation

c. It is not a redox reaction

d. Both  $Sn2 \oplus$  and  $Fe3 \oplus$  are oxidised

Answer:

a. Sn2⊕ is undergoing oxidation

# Question F.

Oxidation number of carbon in H2CO3 is

a. +1

b. +2

c. +3

d. +4

Answer:

d. +4

# Question G.

Which is the correct stock notation for magenese dioxide?

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- a. Mn(I)O2
- b. Mn(II)O2
- c. Mn(III)O2
- d. Mn(IV)O2

Answer:

d. Mn(IV)O2

#### Question I.

Oxidation number of oxygen in superoxide is

- a. -2
- b. -1
- C. -12
- d. 0

Answer:

c. -12

#### Question J.

Which of the following halogens does always show oxidation state -1?

- a. F
- b. Cl
- c. Br
- d. I

Answer:

a. F

#### Question K.

The process SO<sub>2</sub> → S<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> is

- a. Reduction
- b. Oxidation
- c. Neither oxidation nor reduction
- d. Oxidation and reduction.

Answer:

a. Reduction

# 2. Write the formula for the following compounds:

A. Mercury(II) chloride

- B. Thallium(I) sulphate
- C. Tin(IV) oxide
- D. Chromium(III) oxide

Answer:

- i. HgCl2
- ii. Tl<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
- iii. SnO2
- iv. Cr2O3

# 3. Answer the following questions

# Question A.

In which chemical reaction does carbon exibit variation of oxidation state from -4 to +4? Write balanced chemical reaction. Answer:

In combustion of methane, carbon exhibits variation from -4 to +4. The reaction is as follows:

 $CH4 + 2O2 \rightarrow CO2 + 2H2O$ 

In CH<sub>4</sub>, the oxidation state of carbon is -4 while in CO<sub>2</sub>, the oxidation state of carbon is +4.

# Question B.

In which reaction does nitrogen exhibit variation of oxidation state from -3 to +5?

- C. Calculate the oxidation number of underlined atoms.
- a. H2<u>S</u>O4
- b. H<u>N</u>O<sub>3</sub>

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c. H3<u>P</u>O3
d. K2C2O4
e. H2S4O6
f. <u>Cr</u>2O72-
g. NaH2<u>P</u>O4
Answer:
i. H2SO4
Oxidation number of H = +1
Oxidation number of O = -2
H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> is a neutral molecule.
\therefore Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> = 0
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of H) + (Oxidation number of S) + 4 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
\therefore 2 × (+1) + (Oxidation number of S) + 4 × (-2) = 0
\therefore Oxidation number of S + 2 - 8 = 0
\therefore Oxidation number of S in H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> = +6
ii. HNO3
Oxidation number of H = +1
Oxidation number of O = -2
HNO3 is a neutral molecule.
\therefore Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms of HNO<sub>3</sub> = 0
\therefore (Oxidation number of H) + (Oxidation number of N) + 3 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
\therefore (+1) + (Oxidation number of N) + 3 × (-2) = 0
\therefore Oxidation number of N + 1 – 6 = 0
\therefore Oxidation number of N in HNO<sub>3</sub> = +5
iii. H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>3</sub>
Oxidation number of O = -2
Oxidation number of H = +1
H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>3</sub> is a neutral molecule.
: Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = 0
\therefore 3 × (Oxidation number of H) + (Oxidation number of P) + 3 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
\therefore 3 × (+1) + (Oxidation number of P) + 3 × (-2) = 0
\therefore Oxidation number of P + 3 - 6 = 0
Oxidation number of P is H_3PO_3 = +3
iv. K2<u>C</u>2O4
Oxidation number of K = +1
Oxidation number of O = -2
K2C2O4 is a neutral molecule.
\therefore Sum of the oxidation number of all atoms = 0
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of K) + 2 × (Oxidation number of C) + 4 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
\therefore 2 × (+1) + 2 × (Oxidation number of C) + 4 × (-2) = 0
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of C) + 2 – 8 = 0
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of C) = + 6
\therefore Oxidation number of C = +62
\therefore Oxidation number of C in K<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> = +3
v. H2<u>S</u>4O6
Oxidation number of H = +1
Oxidation number of O = -2
H<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub> is a neutral molecule.
\therefore Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = 0
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of H) + 4 × (Oxidation number of S) + 6 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
\therefore 2 × (+1) + 4 × (Oxidation number of S) + 6 × (-2) = 0
\therefore 4 × (Oxidation number of S) + 2 – 12 = 0
\therefore 4 × (Oxidation number of S) = + 10
\therefore Oxidation number of S = +104
\therefore Oxidation number of S in H<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub> = +2.5
vi. <u>Cr</u>2O72-
Oxidation of O = -2
Cr2O72- is an ionic species.
\therefore Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = -2
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of Cr) + 7 × (Oxidation number of O) = -2
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of Cr) + 7 × (-2) = -2
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of Cr) – 14 = – 2
\therefore 2 × (Oxidation number of Cr) = –2 + 14
\therefore Oxidation number of Cr = +122
: Oxidation number of Cr in Cr2O72- = +6
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vii. NaH2PO4

Oxidation number of Na = +1

Oxidation number of H = +1

Oxidation number of O = -2

NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> is a neutral molecule

Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = 0

(Oxidation number of Na) + 2 × (Oxidation number of H) + (Oxidation number of P) + 4 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0

 $(+1) + 2 \times (+1) + (Oxidation number of P) + 4 \times (-2) = 0$ 

(Oxidation number of P) + 3 - 8 = 0

Oxidation number of P in  $NaH_2PO_4 = +5$ 

#### Question D.

Justify that the following reactions are redox reaction; identify the species oxidized/reduced, which acts as an oxidant and which act as a reductant.

a.  $2Cu_2O(s) + Cu_2S(s) \rightarrow 6Cu(s) + SO_2(g)$ 

b.  $HF(aq) + OH_{-}(aq) \rightarrow H_2O(l) + F_{-}(aq)$ 

c.  $I_{2(aq)} + 2 S_{2}O_{32-(aq)} \rightarrow S_{4}O_{62-(aq)} + 2I_{-(aq)}$ 

Answer:

i.  $2Cu_2O(s) + Cu_2S(s) \rightarrow 6Cu(s) + SO_2(g)$ 

a. Write oxidation number of all the atoms of reactants and products.

b. Identify the species that undergoes change in oxidation number.

- c. The oxidation number of S increases from -2 to +4 and that of Cu decreases from +1 to 0. Because oxidation number of one species increases and that of the other decreases, the reaction is a redox reaction.
- d. The oxidation number of S increases by loss of electrons and therefore, S is a reducing agent and it itself is oxidised. On the other hand, the oxidation number of Cu decreases by gain of electrons and therefore, Cu is an oxidising agent and itself is reduced.

# Result:

- 1. The given reaction is a redox reaction.
- 2. Oxidant/oxidising agents (Reduced species): Cu<sub>2</sub>O/ Cu<sub>2</sub>S
- 3. Reductant/reducing agent (Oxidised species): Cu2S

[Note: Cu in both Cu<sub>2</sub>O and Cu<sub>2</sub>S undergoes reduction. Hence, both Cu<sub>2</sub>O and Cu<sub>2</sub>S can be termed as oxidising agents in the given reaction.]

ii.  $HF(aq) + OH_{-(aq)} \rightarrow H_2O(I) + F_{-(aq)}$ 

a. Write oxidation number of all the atoms of reactants and products.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} HF_{(aq)} & + & OH^{-}_{(aq)} & \longrightarrow & H_{2}O_{(\it{l})} + & F^{-}_{(aq)} \\ \uparrow \uparrow & \uparrow \uparrow & \uparrow \uparrow & \uparrow \uparrow \\ +1-1 & -2+1 & +1-2 & -1 \end{array}$$

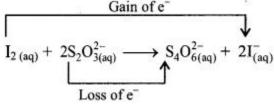
b. Since, the oxidation numbers of all the species remain same, this is NOT a redox reaction. Result:

The given reaction is NOT a redox reaction.

iii.  $I_{2(aq)} + 2 S_{2}O_{32-(aq)} \rightarrow S_{4}O_{62-(aq)} + 2I_{-(aq)}$ 

a. Write oxidation number of all the atoms of reactants and products.

b. Identify the species that undergoes change in oxidation number.



- c. The oxidation number of S increases from +2 to +2.5 and that of I decreases from 0 to -1. Because oxidation number of one species increases and that of the other decreases, the reaction is a redox reaction.
- d. The oxidation number of S increases by loss of electrons and therefore, S is a reducing agent and itself is oxidised. On the other hand, the oxidation number of I decreases by gain of electrons and therefore, I is an oxidising agent and itself is reduced.

# Result:

1. The given reaction is a redox reaction.

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- 2. Oxidant/oxidising agent (Reduced species): 12
- 3. Reductant/reducing agent (Oxidised species): S2O32-

#### Question E.

What is oxidation? Which one of the following pairs of species is in its oxidized state?

- a. Mg / Mg2+
- b. Cu / Cu<sub>2+</sub>
- c. O<sub>2</sub> / O<sub>2</sub>-
- d. Cl<sub>2</sub> / Cl<sub>-</sub>

Answer:

a. Mg / Mg2+

Here, Mg loses two electrons to form Mg2+ ion.

$$Mg(s) - Mg2 + (ag) + 2e$$

Hence, Mg / Mg2+ is an oxidized state.

#### b. Cu/Cu<sub>2+</sub>

Here, Cu loses two electrons to form Cu<sub>2+</sub> ion.

Hence, Cu/Cu2+ is in an oxidized state.

#### c. O<sub>2</sub> / O<sub>2</sub>-

Here, each O gains two electrons to form O<sub>2</sub>- ion.

$$O_2(g) + 4e - 2O_2 - (aq)$$

Hence, O<sub>2</sub> / O<sub>2</sub>- is in a reduced state.

### d. Cl<sub>2</sub> / Cl<sub>-</sub>

Here, each Cl gains one electron to form Cl-ion.

$$Cl_{2(g)}+2e-2Cl-(aq)$$

Hence, Cl<sub>2</sub> / Cl<sub>-</sub> is in a reduced state.

#### Question F.

Justify the following reaction as redox reaction.

$$2 \text{ Na2(s)} + \text{S(s)} \rightarrow \text{Na2S(s)}$$

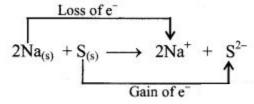
Find out the oxidizing and reducing agents.

# Answer:

i. Redox reaction can be described as electron transfer as shown below:

$$2Na(s) + S(s) \rightarrow 2Na+ + S_2-$$

ii. Charge development suggests that each sodium atom loses one electron to form Na+ and sulphur atom gains two electrons to form S2-. This can be represented as follows:



- iii. When Na is oxidised to Na<sub>2</sub>S, the neutral Na atom loses electrons to form Na<sub>+</sub> in Na<sub>2</sub>S while the elemental sulphur gains electrons and forms S<sub>2-</sub> in Na<sub>2</sub>S.
- iv. Each of the above steps represents a half reaction which involves electron transfer (loss or gain).
- v. Sum of these two half reactions or the overall reaction is a redox reaction.
- vi. Oxidising agent is an electron acceptor and hence, S is an oxidising agent. Reducing agent is an electron donor and hence, Na is a reducing agent.

# Question G.

Provide the stock notation for the following compounds: HAuCl4, Tl2O, FeO, Fe2O3, MnO and CuO.

Answer:

$$\begin{array}{llll} i. & HAuCl_4 & & HAu(III)Cl_4 & & ii. & Tl_2O & \longrightarrow Tl_2(I)O \\ & & & +2-2 & & iii. & FeO & \longrightarrow Fe(II)O & & iv. & Fe_2O_3 & \longrightarrow Fe_2(III)O_3 \\ & & & & +2-2 & & v. & MnO & \longrightarrow Mn(II)O & & vi. & CuO & \longrightarrow Cu(II)O \\ \end{array}$$

# Question H.

Assign oxidation number to each atom in the following species.

- a. Cr(OH)4-
- b. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- c. H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>

Answer:

i. Cr(OH)4-

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Oxidation number of O = -2

Oxidation number of H = +1

Cr(OH)4- is an ionic species.

- $\therefore$  Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = -1
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of Cr + 4 × (Oxidation number of O) + 4 × (Oxidation number of H) = -1
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of Cr + 4 × (-2) + 4 × (+1) = -1
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of Cr -8 + 4 = -1
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of Cr 4 = –1 –
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of Cr = -1 + 4
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of Cr in Cr(OH)<sub>4-</sub> = +3

#### ii. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Oxidation number of Na = +1

Oxidation number of O = -2

Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is a neutral molecule.

- : Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = 0
- $\therefore$  2 × (Oxidation number of Na) + 2 × (Oxidation number of S) + 3 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
- $\therefore$  2 × (+1) + 2 × (Oxidation number of S) + 3 × (-2) = 0
- $\therefore$  2 × (Oxidation number of S) + 2 6 = 0
- $\therefore$  2 × (Oxidation number of S) = + 4
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of S = +42
- : Oxidation number of S in Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = +2

#### iii. H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>

Oxidation number of H = +1

Oxidation number of O = -2

H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub> is a neutral molecule.

- : Sum of the oxidation numbers of all atoms = 0
- $\therefore$  3 × (Oxidation number of H) + (Oxidation number of B) + 3 × (Oxidation number of O) = 0
- $\therefore$  3 × (+1) + (Oxidation number of B) + 3 × (-2) = 0
- $\therefore$  Oxidation number of B + 3 6 = 0
- ∴ Oxidation number of B in H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub> = +3

#### Question I.

Which of the following redox couple is stronger oxidizing agent?

- a. Cl<sub>2</sub> (E<sub>0</sub> = 1.36 V) and Br<sub>2</sub> (E<sub>0</sub> = 1.09 V)
- b. MnO04 (E0 = 1.51 V) and Cr2O207 (E0 = 1.33 V)

# Answer:

- a. Cl<sub>2</sub> has a larger positive value of E<sub>0</sub> than Br<sub>2</sub>. Thus, Cl<sub>2</sub> is a stronger oxidizing agent than Br<sub>2</sub>.
- b.  $MnO\Theta4$  has larger positive value of E0 than  $Cr2O2\Theta7$ . Thus,  $MnO\Theta4$  is stronger oxidizing agent than  $Cr2O2\Theta7$

# Question J.

Which of the following redox couple is stronger reducing agent?

- a. Li (E0 = -3.05 V) and Mg(E0 = -2.36 V)
- b.  $Zn(E_0 = -0.76 \text{ V})$  and  $Fe(E_0 = -0.44 \text{ V})$

Answer:

- a. Li has a larger negative value of Eo than Mg. Thus, Li is a stronger reducing agent than Mg.
- b. Zn has a larger negative value of E0 than Fe. Thus, Zn is a stronger reducing agent than Fe.

# 4. Balance the reactions/equations:

# Question A.

Balance the following reactions by oxidation number method

a. 
$$\operatorname{Cr_2O_7^{2\Theta}(aq)} + \operatorname{SO_3^{2\Theta}(aq)} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Cr^{3\oplus}(aq)} + \operatorname{SO_4^{2\Theta}(aq)}$$
 (acidic)

b. 
$$MnO_4^{\Theta}(aq) + Br^{\Theta}(aq) \longrightarrow MnO_2(s) + BrO_3^{\Theta}(aq)$$
 (basic)

c. 
$$H_2SO_4$$
 (aq) + C (s)  $\longrightarrow$   $CO_2$  (g) +  $SO_2$  (g) +  $H_2O$  (l) (acidic)

d. Bi 
$$(OH)_3(g) + Sn(OH)_3^{\Theta}(aq) \longrightarrow Bi (s)$$
  
+  $Sn (OH)_6^{2\Theta}(aq) (basic)$ 

# Answer:

i. 
$$Cr_2O_{2-7(aq)}+SO_{2-3(aq)}-Cr_{3+(aq)}+SO_{2-4(aq)}(acidic)$$

Step 1: Write skeletal equation and balance the elements other than O and H.

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 $Cr_2O_{2-7(aq)}+SO_{2-3(a)}-2Cr_{3+(aq)}+SO_{2-4(aq)}$ 

Step 2: Assign oxidation number to Cr and S. Calculate the increase and decrease in the oxidation number and make them equal.

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Cr}_2\operatorname{O}_{7\text{ (aq)}}^{2-} + \operatorname{SO}_{3\text{ (aq)}}^{2-} \longrightarrow 2\operatorname{Cr}_{(aq)}^{3+} + \operatorname{SO}_{4\text{ (aq)}}^{2-} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ +6 & -2 & +4 & -2 & +3 & +6 \end{array}$$

Increase in oxidation number:  $SO_3^{2-} \longrightarrow SO_4^{2-}$ (Increase per atom = 2)

(Increase per atom = 2)

(Decrease per atom = 3)

To make the net increase and decrease equal, we must take 3 atoms of S and 2 atoms of Cr. (There are already 2 Cr atoms.) Step 3: Balance 'O' atoms by adding 4H2O to the right-hand side.

 $Cr2O_{2-7(aq)}+3SO_{2-3(aq)}-2Cr_{3+(aq)}+3SO_{2-4(aq)}+4H_{2}O(1)$ 

Step 4: The medium is acidic. To make the charges and hydrogen atoms on the two sides equal, add 8H on the left-hand side.

$$Cr_2O_{2-7(aq)}+3SO_{2-3(aq)}+8H_{+(aq)}-2Cr_{3+(aq)}+3SO_{2-4(aq)}+4H_{2}O(1)$$

Step 5: Check two sides for balance of atoms and charges.

Hence, balanced equation:

$$Cr_2O_{7(aq)}^{2-} + 3SO_{3(aq)}^{2-} + 8H_{(aq)}^+ \longrightarrow 2Cr_{(aq)}^{3+} + 3SO_{4(aq)}^{2-} + 4H_2O_{(I)}$$

ii. 
$$MnO-4(aq)+Br-(aq)$$
— $MnO2(s)+BrO-3(aq)$  (basic)

Step 1: Write skeletal equation and balance the elements other than O and H.

$$MnO-4(aq)+Br-(aq)-MnO_2(s)+BrO-3(aq)$$

Step 2: Assign oxidation number to Mn and Br. Calculate the increase and decrease in the oxidation number and make them equal.

Decrease in oxidation number:  $MnO_4^- \longrightarrow MnO_2$ 

(Decrease per atom = 3)

To make the net increase and decrease equal, we must take 2 atoms of Mn.

$$2MnO-4(aq)+Br-(aq)-2MnO_2(s)+BrO-3(aq)$$

Step 3: Balance 'O' atoms by adding H2O to the right-hand side.

$$2MnO-4(aq)+Br-(2q)-2MnO_2(s)+BrO-3(aq)+H_2O(l)$$

Step 4: The medium is basic. To make the charges and hydrogen atoms on the two sides equal, add 2H+ on the left-hand side.

$$2MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} + Br_{(aq)}^{-} + 2H_{(aq)}^{+} \longrightarrow 2MnO_{2(s)} + BrO_{3(aq)}^{-} + H_{2}O_{(l)}$$

Add OH ions equal to the number of H ions on both sides of the equation.

$$2MnO_{4\,(aq)}^{-} + \ Br_{(aq)}^{-} + \ 2H_{(aq)}^{+} \ + \ 2OH_{(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow \ 2MnO_{2(s)} + \ BrO_{3\,(aq)}^{-} + \ H_{2}O_{(/)} + 2OH_{(aq)}^{-}$$

The H<sup>+</sup> and OH<sup>-</sup> ions appearing on the same side of the reaction are combined to give H<sub>2</sub>O molecules.

$$2MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} + Br_{(aq)}^{-} + 2H_2O_{(l)} \longrightarrow 2MnO_{2(s)} + BrO_{3(aq)}^{-} + H_2O_{(l)} + 2OH_{(aq)}^{-}$$

$$2MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} + Br_{(aq)}^{-} + H_2O_{(I)} \longrightarrow 2MnO_{2(s)}^{-} + BrO_{3(aq)}^{-} + 2OH_{(aq)}^{-}$$

Step 5: Check two sides for balance of atoms and charges.

Hence, balanced equation: 
$$2MnO_{4(aq)}^- + Br_{(aq)}^- + H_2O_{(I)} \longrightarrow 2MnO_{2(s)}^- + BrO_{3(aq)}^- + 2OH_{(aq)}^-$$

iii.  $H2SO_4(aq) + C(s) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + SO_2(g) + H2O(l)$  (acidic)

Step 1: Write skeletal equation and balance the elements other than O and H.

$$H2SO4(aq) + C(s) \rightarrow CO2(g) + SO2(g) + H2O(l)$$

Step 2: Assign oxidation number to S and C. Calculate the increase and decrease in the oxidation number and make them equal.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} H_2SO_{4(aq)} + C_{(s)} &\longrightarrow CO_{2(g)} + SO_{2(g)} + H_2O_{(l)} \\ \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ +1+6-2 & 0 & +4 & +4 \end{array}$$

Increase in oxidation number: C (Increase per atom = 4)

Decrease in oxidation number:  $H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow SO_2$ 

(Decrease per atom = 2)

To make the net increase and decrease equal, we must take 2 atoms of S.

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 $2H_2SO_4(aq) + C(s) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2SO_2(g) + H_2O(l)$ 

Step 3: Balance 'O' atoms by adding H2O to the right-hand side.

 $2H_2SO_4(aq) + C(s) \rightarrow CO_2(g) + 2SO_2(g) + H_2O(l) + H_2O(l)$ 

Step 4: The medium is acidic. There is no charge on either side. Hydrogen atoms are equal on both side.

 $2H2SO_{4(aq)} + C(s) \rightarrow CO_{2} + 2SO_{2(q)} + H_{2}O(l)$ 

Step 5: Check two sides for balance of atoms and charges.

Hence, balanced equation:  $2H2SO4(aq) + C(s) \rightarrow CO2(g) + 2SO2(g) + H2O(l)$ 

iv. 
$$Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + Sn(OH)_{-3(aq)} - Bi(s) + Sn(OH)_{2-6(aq)}$$
 (basic)

Step 1: Write skeletal equation and balance the elements other than O and H.

$$Bi(OH)_3(s) + Sn(OH)_{-3(aq)} - Bi(s) + Sn(OH)_{2-6(aq)}$$

Step 2: Assign oxidation numbers to Bi and Sn. Calculate the increase and decrease in the oxidation number and make them equal.

Increase in oxidation number:  $Sn(OH)_3^- \longrightarrow Sn(OH)_6^{2-}$   $\downarrow^{+2} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{+4}$ 

(Increase per atom = 2)

(Decrease per atom = 3)

To make the net increase and decrease equal, we must take 3 atoms of Sn and 2 atoms of Bi.

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{3(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow 2Bi_{(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{6(aq)}^{2-}$$

Step 3: Balance 'O' atoms by adding 3H<sub>2</sub>O to the left-hand side.

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{3(aq)}^{-} + 3H_2O_{(I)} \longrightarrow 2Bi_{(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{6(aq)}^{2-}$$

Step 4: The medium is basic. To make hydrogen atoms on the two sides equal, add 3W on the right-hand side.

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{3(aq)}^{-} + 3H_2O_{(l)} \longrightarrow 2Bi_{(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{6(aq)}^{2-} + 3H_{(aq)}^{+}$$

Add OH ions equal to the number of H ions on both sides of the equation.

The H<sup>+</sup> and OH<sup>-</sup> ions appearing on the same side of the reaction are combined to give H<sub>2</sub>O molecules.

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + \ 3Sn(OH)_{3(aq)}^{-} + 3H_2O_{(I)} + \ 3OH_{(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow 4Bi_{(s)} \ + \ 3Sn(OH)_{6(aq)}^{2-} + \ 3H_2O_{(I)} + \ 3H_2O_{(I$$

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{3(aq)}^{-} + 3OH_{(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow 2Bi_{(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{6(aq)}^{2-}$$

Step 5: Check two sides for balance of atoms and charges.

Hence, balanced equation:  $2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{3(aq)}^- + 3OH_{(aq)}^- \longrightarrow 2Bi_{(s)} + 3Sn(OH)_{6(aq)}^{2-}$ 

# Question B.

Balance the following redox equation by half reaction method

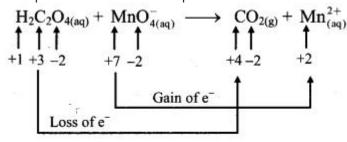
a. 
$$H_2C_2O_4$$
 (aq) +  $MnO_4^{\ominus}$  (aq)  $\longrightarrow$   $CO_2(g) + Mn^{2\ominus}$  (aq) (acidic)

b. Bi 
$$(OH)_3$$
 (s)  $+SnO_2^{2\Theta}$  (aq)  $\longrightarrow SnO_3^{2\Theta}$  (aq)  $+$  Bi (s) (basic)

# Answer:

i.  $H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} + MnO_{-4(aq)} \rightarrow CO_{2(q)} + Mn_{2+(aq)}$ 

Step 1: Write unbalanced equation for the redox reaction. Assign oxidation number to all the atoms in reactants and products. Divide the equation into two half equations.



Oxidation half reaction:  $H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} \longrightarrow CO_{2(g)}$ Reduction half reaction:  $MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow Mn_{(aq)}^{2+}$ 

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Step 2: Balance the atoms except O and H in each half equation. Balance half equation for O atoms by adding 4H<sub>2</sub>O to the right side of reduction half equation.

Oxidation:  $H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} \longrightarrow 2CO_{2(g)}$ 

Reduction:  $MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow Mn_{(aq)}^{2+} + 4H_2O_{(I)}$ 

Step 3: Balance H atoms by adding H+ ions to the side with less H. Hence, add 2H+ ions to the right side of oxidation half equation and 8H+ ions to the left side of reduction half equation.

Oxidation:  $H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} \longrightarrow 2CO_{2(g)} + 2H_{(aq)}^+$ 

Reduction:  $MnO_{4(aq)}^- + 8H_{(aq)}^+ \longrightarrow Mn_{(aq)}^{2+} + 4H_2O_{(l)}$ 

Step 4: Now add 2 electrons to the right side of oxidation half equation and 5 electrons to the left side of reduction half equation to balance the charges.

Oxidation:  $H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} \longrightarrow 2CO_{2(g)} + 2H_{(aq)}^+ + 2e^-$ 

Reduction:  $MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} + 8H_{(aq)}^{+} + 5e^{-} \longrightarrow Mn_{(aq)}^{2+} + 4H_{2}O_{(l)}$ 

Step 5: Multiply oxidation half equation by 5 and reduction half equation by 2 to equalize number of electrons in two half equations. Then add two half equation.

Oxidation:  $5H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} \longrightarrow 10CO_{2(g)} + 10H_{(aq)}^+ + 10e^{-1}$ 

Reduction:  $2MnO_{4(aq)}^- + 16H_{(aq)}^+ + 10e^- \longrightarrow 2Mn_{(aq)}^{2+} + 8H_2O_{(I)}$ 

Add two half equations:

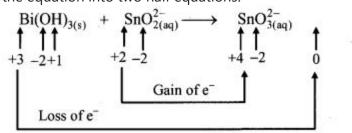
$$5H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} + 2MnO_{4(aq)}^- + 6H_{(aq)}^+ \longrightarrow 10CO_2 + 2Mn_{(aq)}^{2+} + 8H_2O_{(l)}$$

The equation is balanced in terms of number of atoms and the charges.

Hence, balanced equation:  $5H_2C_2O_{4(aq)} + 2MnO_{4(aq)}^- + 6H_{(aq)}^+ \longrightarrow 10CO_2 + 2Mn_{(aq)}^{2+} + 8H_2O_{(l)}$ 

ii. 
$$Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + SnO_{2-2(aq)} - SnO_{2-3(aq)} + Bi(s)$$

Step 1: Write unbalanced equation for the redox reaction. Assign oxidation number to all the atoms in reactants and products. Divide the equation into two half equations.



Oxidation half reaction:  $SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} \longrightarrow SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-}$ 

Reduction half reaction:  $Bi(OH)_{3(s)} \longrightarrow Bi_{(s)}$ 

Step 2: Balance half equations for O atoms by adding H<sub>2</sub>O to the side with less O atoms. Add 1H<sub>2</sub>O to left side of oxidation half equation and 3H<sub>2</sub>O to the right side of reduction half equation.

Oxidation:  $SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(l)} \longrightarrow SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-}$ 

Reduction:  $Bi(OH)_{3(s)} \longrightarrow Bi_{(s)} + 3H_2O_{(l)}$ 

Step 3: Balance H atoms by adding H+ ions to the side with less H. Hence, add 2H+ ions to the right side of oxidation half equation and 3H+ ions to the left side of reduction half equation.

Oxidation:  $SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(I)} \longrightarrow SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-} + 2H_{(aq)}^+$ 

Reduction:  $Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3H^{+}_{(aq)} \longrightarrow Bi_{(s)} + 3H_{2}O_{(l)}$ 

Step 4: Now add 2 electrons to the right side of oxidation half equation and 3 electrons to the left side of reduction half equation to balance the charges.

Oxidation:  $SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(I)} \longrightarrow SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-} + 2H_{(aq)}^+ + 2e^{-}$ 

Reduction:  $Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3H_{(aq)}^+ + 3e^- \longrightarrow Bi_{(s)} + 3H_2O_{(l)}$ 

Step 5: Multiply oxidation half equation by 3 reduction half equation by 2 to equalize number of electrons in two half equations. Then add two half equation.

Oxidation:  $3SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} + 3H_2O_{(l)} \longrightarrow 3SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-} + 6H_{(aq)}^{+} + 6e^{-}$ 

Reduction:  $2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 6H^{+}_{(aq)} + 6e^{-} \longrightarrow 2Bi_{(s)} + 6H_{2}O_{(l)}$ 

Add two half equations:

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} \longrightarrow 3SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-} + 2Bi_{(s)} + 3H_2O_{(l)}$$

Reaction occurs in basic medium. However, H+ ions cancel out and the reaction is balanced. Hence, no need to add OH- ions. The equation is balanced in terms of number of atoms and the charges.

Hence, balanced equation:

$$2Bi(OH)_{3(s)} + 3SnO_{2(aq)}^{2-} \longrightarrow 3SnO_{3(aq)}^{2-} + 2Bi_{(s)} + 3H_2O_{(l)}$$

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#### 5. Complete the following table :

Assign oxidation number to the underlined species and write Stock notation of compound

Compound	Oxidation number	Stock notation
<u>Au</u> Cl3		
SnCl2		
V204-7		
PtCl2-6		
H3 <u>As</u> O3		

#### Answer:

Compound	Oxidation number	Stock notation
<u>Au</u> Cl3	+3	Au(III)Cl3
SnCl2	+2	Sn(II)Cl2
V204-7	+5	V2(V) <i>O</i> 4-7
PtCl2-6	+4	Pt(IV) <i>Cl</i> 2-6
H3 <u>As</u> O3	+3	H <sub>3</sub> As(III)O <sub>3</sub>

#### 11th Chemistry Digest Chapter 6 Redox Reactions Intext Questions and Answers

#### Can you tell? (Textbook Page No. 81)

Question i.

Why does cut apple turn brown when exposed to air?

Answer:

Cut apple turns brown when exposed to air because polyphenols are released. These polyphenols undergo oxidation in the presence of air and impart brown colour.

Question ii.

Why does old car bumper change colour?

Answer:

Car bumper is made of iron which undergoes rusting over a period of time. Hence, old car bumper changes colour.

Question iii.

Why do new batteries become useless after some days?

Answer:

Batteries generate electricity by redox reactions. Once the chemicals taking part in redox reaction are used up, the battery cannot generate power. Hence, new batteries become useless after some days.

# Can you recall? (Textbook Page No. 81)

Question i.

What is combustion reaction?

Answer:

Combustion is a process in which a substance combines with oxygen.

Question ii.

Write an equation for combustion of methane.

Answer:

Combustion of methane:  $CH_4 + 2O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2H_2O + Heat + Light$ 

Question iii.

What is the driving force behind reactions of elements?

Answer:

The ability of element to combine with other element or the ability of element to replace other element in compound is the driving force behind the reactions. This may involve formation of precipitates, formation of water, release of gas, etc.

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# Try this. (Textbook Page No. 82)

# Question 1.

Complete the following table of displacement reactions. Identify oxidising and reducing agents involved.

Reactants	Products
Zn(s) + ———(aq)	(aq) + Cu(s)
Cu(s) + 2Ag+(aq)	+
+	C02+(aq) + Ni(s)

# Answer:

Reactants	Products	Oxidising agent	Reducing agent
$Zn_{(s)} + Cu_{(aq)}^{2+}$	$\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{n}_{(aq)}^{2+} + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{u}_{(s)}$	Cu <sup>2+</sup>	Zn
$Cu_{(s)} + 2Ag_{(aq)}^+$	$Cu_{(aq)}^{2+} + 2Ag_{(s)}$	$Ag^{+}$	Cu
$Co_{(s)} + Ni_{(aq)}^{2+}$	$Co_{(aq)}^{2+} + Ni_{(c)}$	Ni <sup>2+</sup>	Со

# Try this (Textbook Page No. 88)

# Question 1.

Classify the following unbalanced half equations as oxidation and reduction.

Example	Type
$Cl_{(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow Cl_{2(g)}$	Oxidation
$OCl_{(aq)}^{-} \longrightarrow Cl_{(g)}^{-}$	*****
$Fe(OH)_2 \longrightarrow Fe(OH)_3$	
$VO_{(aq)}^{2+} \longrightarrow V_{(aq)}^{3+}$	

# Answer:

Example	Type
$Cl_{(aq)}^- \longrightarrow Cl_{2(g)}$	Oxidation
$OCl_{(aq)}^- \longrightarrow Cl_{(g)}^-$	Reduction
$Fe(OH)_2 \longrightarrow Fe(OH)_3$	Oxidation
$VO_{(aq)}^{2+} \longrightarrow V_{(aq)}^{3+}$	Reduction