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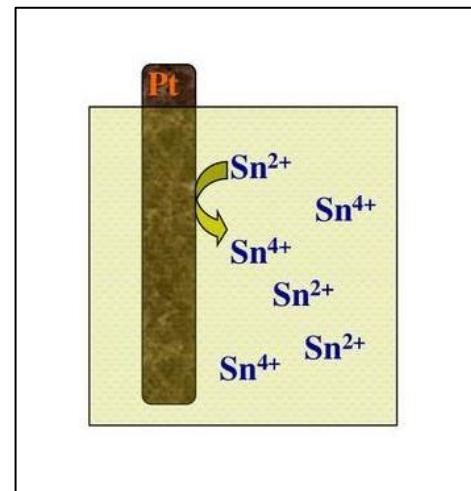
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Electrochemical equilibria

5. Oxidation - reduction electrode :

- It consists of an inert metal such as platinum immersed in a solution containing an appropriate oxidized and reduced form of redox system.
- The metal merely acts as electrical contact.
- The potential arises due to the tendency of one form to change in to other form.
e.g., Pt/Fe²⁺, Fe³⁺, Pt/Ce³⁺, Ce⁴⁺, Pt/Sn²⁺, Sn⁴⁺
- For stannous stannic electrode
 $\text{Sn}^{4+} + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Sn}^{2+}$
- Nernst equation:

$$E_{\text{Pt}/\text{Sn}^{4+}/\text{Sn}^{2+}} = E^0_{\text{Pt}/\text{Sn}^{4+}/\text{Sn}^{2+}} - \frac{0.0591}{2} \log\left(\frac{[\text{Sn}^{2+}]}{[\text{Sn}^{4+}]}\right)$$



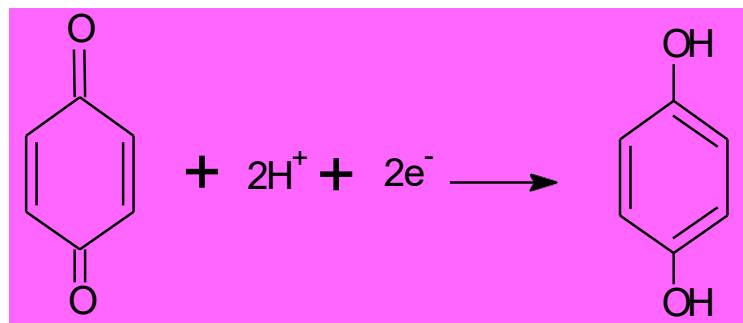
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Quinhydrone electrode

- It consists of an inert metal such as platinum immersed in a solution containing quinone and hydroquinone
- The metal merely acts as electrical contact
- The potential arises due to the tendency of quinone to change to hydroquinone
- $\text{Pt}/\text{Q}, \text{QH}_2$



• Nernst equation: $E_{\text{Pt}/\text{Q}, \text{QH}_2} = E^{\circ}_{\text{Pt}/\text{Q}, \text{QH}_2} - \frac{0.0591}{2} \log\left(\frac{[\text{QH}_2]}{[\text{Q}][\text{H}^+]^2}\right)$

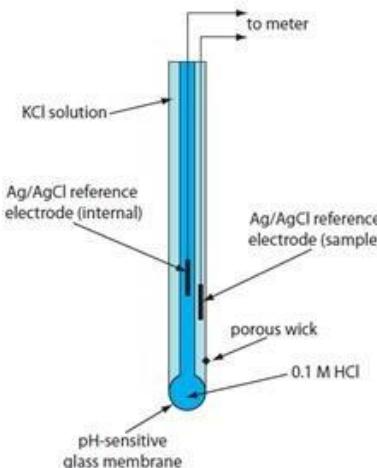
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6. Ion selective electrode:(membrane electrode)

- It consists of a membrane in contact with a solution, with which it can exchange ions.
e.g., **glass electrode**: selective to H^+ , Na^+ , K^+ etc.
- Equation for determining potential for pH sensitive Glass electrode

$$E_G = E_G^0 + 0.0591 \log_{10}[\text{H}^+]$$



Source:Analytical Chemistry 2.0, David Harvey,
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