



3.8. Suggest a way to determine the value of water.

Ans:

By using Kohlrausch's law, Λ_m° for H_2O can be calculated, we can write,

$$\Lambda_m^\circ = \Lambda_m^\circ(\text{HCl}) + \Lambda_m^\circ(\text{NaOH}) - \Lambda_m^\circ(\text{NaCl})$$

Being strong electrolytes, Λ_m° values of HCl, NaOH and NaCl are known. By substituting their values, we can obtain Λ_m° for H_2O .

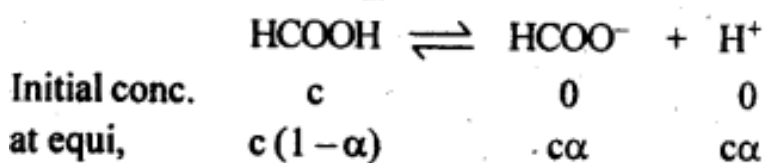
3.9. The molar conductivity of 0.025 mol L^{-1} methanoic acid is $46.1 \text{ S cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$. Calculate its degree of dissociation and dissociation constant Given $\lambda^\circ(\text{H}^+) = 349.6 \text{ S cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ and $\lambda^\circ(\text{HCOO}^-) = 54.6 \text{ S cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$.

Ans:

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_m^\circ(\text{HCOOH}) &= \lambda^\circ(\text{H}^+) + \lambda^\circ(\text{HCOO}^-) \\ &= 349.6 + 54.6 \\ &= 404.2 \text{ S cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Lambda_m^C = 46.1 \text{ S cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \frac{\Lambda_m^C}{\Lambda_m^\circ} = \frac{46.1}{404.2} = 0.114$$



$$\begin{aligned}\therefore K_a &= \frac{c\alpha \cdot c\alpha}{c(1-\alpha)} = \frac{c\alpha^2}{1-\alpha} \\ &= \frac{0.025 \times (0.114)^2}{1-0.114} = 3.67 \times 10^{-4}\end{aligned}$$

3.10. If a current of 0.5 ampere flows through a metallic wire for 2 hours, then how many electrons would flow through the wire?

Ans:

We know, $Q = It$
 $= 0.5 \times (2 \times 60 \times 60)$
 $= 3600 \text{ C}$

$1 \text{ F} \Rightarrow 96500 \text{ C} \Rightarrow 1 \text{ mole of } e^{-1} \text{ s}$

$\Rightarrow 6.02 \times 10^{23} e^{-1} \text{ s}$

$\therefore 3600 \text{ C}$ is equivalent to the flow of $e^{-1} \text{ s}$

$$= \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23}}{96500} \times 3600$$

$$= 2.246 \times 10^{22} e^{-1} \text{ s}$$

3.11. Suggest a list of metals that are extracted electrolytically.

Ans: Na, Ca, Mg and Al

3.12. Consider the reaction: $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 14\text{H}^+ + 6e^- \rightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+} + 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$

What is the quantity of electricity in coulombs needed to reduce 1 mol of $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$?

Ans:

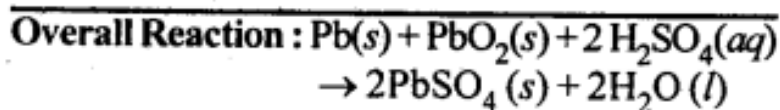
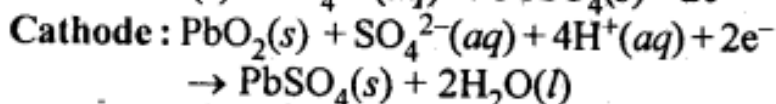
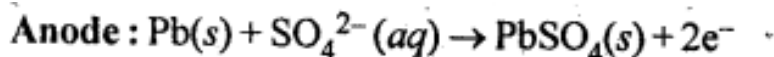
From the reaction, 1 mol of $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ require 6F
 $= 6 \times 96500 = 579000 \text{ C}$

$\therefore 579000 \text{ C}$ of electricity are required for reduction of $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ to Cr^{3+}

3.13. Write the chemistry of recharging the lead storage battery, highlighting all the materials that are involved during recharging.

Ans: A lead storage battery consists of anode of lead, cathode of a grid of lead packed with lead dioxide (PbO_2) and 38%

H_2SO_4 solution as electrolyte. When the battery is in use, the reaction taking place are:



On charging the battery, the reverse reaction takes place, i.e., PbSO_4 deposited on electrodes is converted back to Pb and PbO_2 and H_2SO_4 is regenerated.

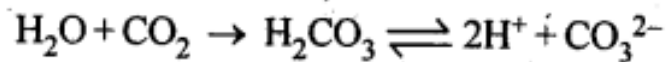
3.14. Suggest two materials other than hydrogen that can be used as fuels in fuel cells.

Ans: Methane and Methanol.

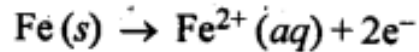
3.15. Explain how rusting of iron is envisaged as setting up of an electrochemical cell.

Ans: The water present on the surface of iron dissolves acidic oxides of air like CO_2 , SO_2 , etc. to form acids which dissociate to give

H^+ ions :

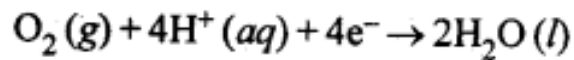


In the presence of H^+ , iron loses e^- s to form Fe^{3+} . Hence, this spot acts as anode:

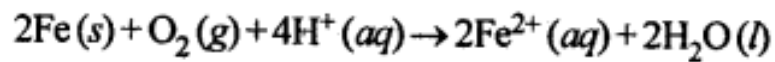


The e^- s released move through the metal to reach another spot where H^+ ions and dissolved oxygen take up these e^- s and reduction occurs.

This spot, thus, acts as cathode :



The overall reaction is :



Thus, an electrochemical cell is set up on the surface.

Ferrous ions are further oxidised by atmospheric oxygen to ferric ions which combine with water to form hydrated ferric oxide, $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$, which is rust.

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