# Chemical Oxidation and Reduction

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Oxygen  $(O_2)$ 

Chlorine (Cl<sub>2</sub>)

Chlorine Dioxide (ClO<sub>2</sub>)

Hydrogen Peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)

Ozone  $(O_3)$ 

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### Definition of reduction and oxidation

- $\sqrt{}$  Definition of reduction & oxidation reactions (i.e., redox reactions)
  - Oxidation: loss of e<sup>-</sup> or H, gain of O, increase of oxidation number
  - Reduction: gain of e- or H, loss of O, decrease of oxidation number

e.g., 
$$C + H_2 \rightarrow CH_4$$
  
 $C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2$   
 $Fe^0 \rightarrow Fe^{2+} + 2e^{-}$ 

e.g., 
$$O_2 + H_2 \rightarrow H_2O_2$$
  
 $O_2 + 2e^- + 2H^+ \rightarrow H_2O_2$ 

e.g., 
$$O_2 + 2H_2 \rightarrow 2H_2O$$
  
 $O_2 + 4e^- + 4H^+ \rightarrow 2H_2O$ 

### **Oxidation number**

### How about this?

		Electronegativity increases																	
	Period																		
	1	<b>H</b> 2.20																	Не
4	2	<b>Li</b> 0.98	<b>Be</b> 1.57											<b>B</b> 2.04	<b>C</b> 2.55	<b>N</b> 3.04	<b>0</b> 3.44	<b>F</b> 3.98	Ne
	3	<b>Na</b> 0.93	<b>Mg</b> 1.31											<b>AI</b> 1.61	<b>Si</b> 1.90	<b>P</b> 2.19	<b>S</b> 2.58	<b>CI</b> 3.16	Ar
	4	<b>K</b> 0.82	<b>Ca</b> 1.00	<b>Sc</b> 1.36	<b>Ti</b> 1.54	<b>V</b> 1.63	<b>Cr</b> 1.66	<b>Mn</b> 1.55	<b>Fe</b> 1.83	<b>Co</b> 1.88	<b>Ni</b> 1.91	<b>Cu</b> 1.90	<b>Zn</b> 1.65	<b>Ga</b> 1.81	<b>Ge</b> 2.01	<b>As</b> 2.18	<b>Se</b> 2.55	<b>Br</b> 2.96	<b>Kr</b> 3.00
	5	<b>Rb</b> 0.82	<b>Sr</b> 0.95	<b>Y</b> 1.22	<b>Zr</b> 1.33	<b>Nb</b> 1.6	<b>Mo</b> 2.16	<b>Tc</b> 1.9	<b>Ru</b> 2.2	<b>Rh</b> 2.28	<b>Pd</b> 2.20	<b>Ag</b> 1.93	<b>Cd</b> 1.69	<b>In</b> 1.78	<b>Sn</b> 1.96	<b>Sb</b> 2.05	<b>Te</b> 2.1	<b>I</b> 2.66	<b>Xe</b> 2.6
	6	<b>Cs</b> 0.79	<b>Ba</b> 0.89	*	<b>Hf</b> 1.3	<b>Ta</b> 1.5	<b>W</b> 2.36	<b>Re</b> 1.9	<b>Os</b> 2.2	<b>Ir</b> 2.20	<b>Pt</b> 2.28	<b>Au</b> 2.54	<b>Hg</b> 2.00	<b>TI</b> 1.62	<b>Pb</b> 2.33	<b>Bi</b> 2.02	<b>Po</b> 2.0	At 2.2	Rn
	7	<b>Fr</b> 0.7	<b>Ra</b> 0.9	**	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Uub	Uut	Uuq	Uup	Uuh	Uus	Uuo
	Lanthanides	*	<b>La</b> 1.1	<b>Ce</b> 1.12	<b>Pr</b> 1.13	<b>Nd</b> 1.14	<b>Pm</b> 1.13	<b>Sm</b> 1.17	<b>Eu</b> 1.2	<b>Gd</b> 1.2	<b>Tb</b> 1.1	<b>Dy</b> 1.22	<b>Ho</b> 1.23	<b>Er</b> 1.24	<b>Tm</b> 1.25	<b>Yb</b> 1.1	<b>Lu</b> 1.27		
	Actinides	**	Ac 1.1	<b>Th</b> 1.3	<b>Pa</b> 1.5	<b>U</b> 1.38	<b>Np</b> 1.36	<b>Pu</b> 1.28	<b>Am</b> 1.13	<b>Cm</b> 1.28	<b>Bk</b> 1.3	<b>Cf</b> 1.3	<b>Es</b> 1.3	<b>Fm</b> 1.3	<b>Md</b> 1.3	<b>No</b> 1.3	<b>Lr</b> 1.3		

### Terminology for Chemical Oxidation and Reduction

Term	Definition				
Advanced oxidation	Processes that generate hydroxyl radical at				
processes	room temperature and pressure.				
Anode	Electrode in a electrochemical cell where oxidation takes place.				
Cathode	Electrode in a electrochemical cell where reduction takes place.				
Chromophores	Functional groups or bonds on chemical compounds responsible for the absorption of light.				
Conventional oxidation processes	Oxidation processes that achieve oxidation without the generation of hydroxyl radicals,				
Electron acceptor	Reactant that gains electrons in a redox reaction; an oxidant.				
Electron donor	Reactant that loses electrons in a redox reaction; a reductant.				
Oxidant	Reactant that causes the oxidation of a reduced species in a redox reaction. Oxidants are electron acceptors.				
Oxidation reaction	Chemical half-reaction in which a reactant loses electrons.				
Reductant	Reactant that causes the reduction of an oxidized species in a redox reaction.  Reductants are electron donors.				
Redox reaction	Abbreviated name for oxidation-reduction reaction				
Reduction reaction	Chemical half-reaction in which a reactant gains electrons.				

### 8-1 Introduction to Use of Oxidation Processes in Water Treatment

### Commonly Used Oxidants

- 1. Chlorine
- 2. Ozone
- 3. Chlorine dioxide
- 4. Permanganate
- 5. Hydrogen peroxide

### Application of Conventional Oxidants in Water Treatment

The principal applications of chemical oxidation are for

- Taste and odor control
- 2. Hydrogen sulfide removal
- 3. Color removal
- 4. Iron and manganese removal
- 5. Disinfection
- 6. Organic contaminants

**Table 8-1**Oxidants and their applications in water treatment

Purpose	Oxidants	Applications
Oxidation of reduced inorganic species	Chlorine, hydrogen peroxide, permanganate, chlorine dioxide	Convert soluble metals such as Fe(II) and Mn(II) to insoluble forms; oxidize odorous sulfide; destroy metal organic complexes
Oxidation of organics	Ozone, AOPs, ultraviolet light, permanganate, chlorine dioxide	Destroy taste- and odor-causing compounds; destroy toxic organics [e.g., pesticides, benzene, trichloroethene, methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE)]; eliminate color; reduce natural organic matter and disinfection by-product precursors
Coagulation aids	Ozone	Reduce amount of coagulant and/or improve coagulation process
Biocidal agents	Ozone, chlorine, iodine, ultraviolet light	Control nuisance growths such as algae in pretreatment basins or reservoirs; as primary disinfectants to meet $Ct^a$ regulations (discussed in Chap. 13)

 $<sup>{}^{</sup>a}Ct = \text{product of oxidant residual concentration (mg/L)}$  and contact time (min).

### √ TASTE AND ODOR CONTROL

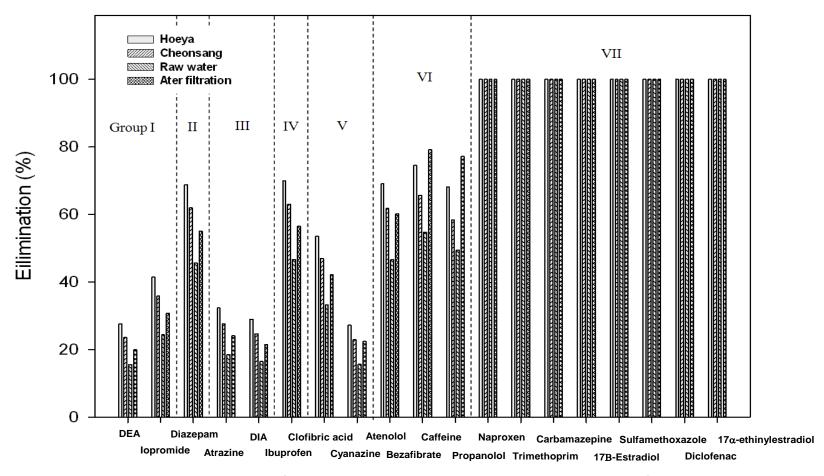
- In surface water: originated from algal bloom e.g., Geosmin, 2-Methylisoborneol (2-MIB)
- Threshold odor concentration: 4 ng/L for geosmin, 9 ng/L for 2-MIB
- In groundwater: sulfides (hydrogen sulfide and organic sulfides) Production of polysulfides (oxidation byproducts, usually  $S_8$ , generates turbidity) is a problem when  $H_2S > 1$  ppm

**Table 8-2**Removal of geosmin and methylisoborneol (MIB) that were spiked into filtered water at initial concentration of 100 ng/L

	Chemical	Removal, %			
Chemical	Feed Rate, mg/L	Geosmin	MIB		
Powdered activated carbon	10	40	62		
	25	52	65		
Potassium permanganate Chlorine Hydrogen peroxide Ozone Ozone and hydrogen peroxide	0.8	42	28		
	2	45	33		
	1	50	72		
	2.5	94	77		
	2.5, 0.5	97	95		

Source: Adapted from Kawamura (2000).

- ✓ COLOR REMOVAL
- ✓ OXIDATION AS A COAGULATION AID
- ✓ IRON AND MANGANESE REMOVAL
- ✓ OXIDATION OF SELECTED TRACE ORGANIC CONSTITUENTS



Predicted oxidation of grouped organic pollutants in 1 ppm of ozone dose

### Introduction to Redox Reactions

- ✓ Definitions of oxidation and reduction
- √ Half Reactions

$$Mn^{2+} + O_3(aq) + H_2O \rightarrow MnO_2(s) + O_2(aq) + 2H^+$$
 (8-1)



$$Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O \rightarrow MnO_2(s) + 4H^+ + 2e^-$$
 (oxidation) (8-2)

$$O_3(aq) + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow O_2(aq) + H_2O$$
 (reduction) (8-3)

√ Balancing Redox Reactions

### **Example 8-1 Balancing redox reactions**

Balance the oxidation–reduction reaction for hydrogen peroxide ( $H_2O_2$ ) oxidation of 1,1-dichloroethene ( $C_2H_2Cl_2$ ).

- ✓ Define final products (make an unbalanced equation with them)
- ✓ Balance atoms and charge (Use H<sup>+</sup>, OH<sup>-</sup> or H<sub>2</sub>O if necessary)

Standard
Electrode
Potentials and
Redox
Equilibrium
Reactions

### ✓ MECHANISTIC DESCRIPTION OF ELECTRODE POTENTIALS WITH AN ELECTROCHEMICAL CELL

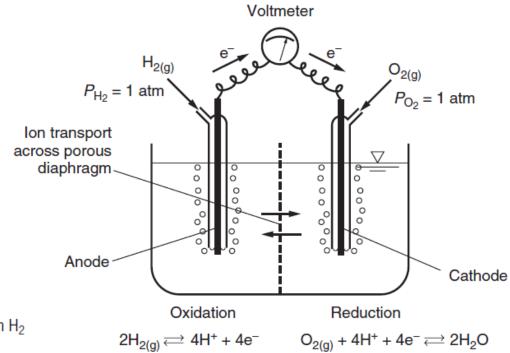


Figure 8-1 Cell potential for reaction between  $H_2$  and  $O_2$ .

$$O_2$$
 (aq) + 4H<sup>+</sup> + 4e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightleftharpoons$  2H<sub>2</sub>O (reduction)  $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.27 \text{ V}$  (8-4)  
 $H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H^+ + 2e^-$  (oxidation)  $E_{ox}^{\circ} = 0 \text{ V}$  (8-5)  
 $O_2 + 2H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O$  (overall)  $E_{Rxn}^{\circ} = ?$  (8-6)  
 $E_{Rxn}^{\circ} = E_{red}^{\circ} + E_{ox}^{\circ}$   
 $= 1.27 + 0 = 1.27 \text{ V}$  (8-7)

### ✓ ASSESSING REACTION FEASIBILITY

$$MnO_2(s) + 4H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O$$
 (reduction)  $E_{red}^{\circ} = +1.230 \text{ V}$  (8-8)  
 $H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H^+ + 2e^-$  (oxidation)  $E_{ox}^{\circ} = 0 \text{ V}$  (8-9)  
 $MnO_2(s) + H_2 + 2H^+ \rightleftharpoons Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O$  (overall)  $E_{Rxn}^{\circ} = +1.230 \text{ V}$  (8-10)

$$O_3$$
 (aq) + 2H<sup>+</sup> + 2e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightleftharpoons$   $O_2$  (aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O (reduction)  $E_{red}^{\circ} = +2.08 \text{ V}$  (8-11)  
 $H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H^+ + 2e^-$  (oxidation)  $E_{ox}^{\circ} = 0 \text{ V}$  (8-12)  
 $O_3$  (aq) + H<sub>2</sub>  $\rightleftharpoons$   $O_2$  + H<sub>2</sub>O (overall)  $E_{Rxn}^{\circ} = +2.08 \text{ V}$  (8-13)

 $E_{Rxn}^{\circ} > 0$  Thermodynamically favored

 $E_{\text{Red}}$  values are usually available from the literature databases!

$$A + \frac{b}{a}B \to \frac{c}{a}C + \frac{d}{a}D \tag{8-14}$$

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn}} = \Delta G_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} + RT \ln \left( \frac{\{C\}^{c/a} \{D\}^{d/a}}{\{A\} \{B\}^{b/a}} \right)$$
(8-15)

$$E_{\rm Rxn} = \frac{\Delta G_{\rm Rxn}}{-nF} \tag{8-16}$$

$$E_{\text{Rxn}} = E_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \left( \frac{\{C\}^{c/a} \{D\}^{d/a}}{\{A\} \{B\}^{b/a}} \right)$$

or 
$$E_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} - \frac{2.303RT}{nF} \log \left( \frac{\{C\}^{c/a} \{D\}^{d/a}}{\{A\} \{B\}^{b/a}} \right)$$
 (8-17)

where  $\Delta G_{Rxn}$  = free-energy change of reaction, J/mol

 $\Delta G_{Rxn}^{\circ}$  = free-energy change of reaction under standard conditions, J/mol

 $E_{\text{Rxn}}$  = electrode potential of reaction =  $E_{\text{ox}} + E_{\text{red}}$ , V

 $E_{\rm Rxn}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of reaction, V

n = number of electrons transferred in reaction, eq/mol

F = Faraday's constant, 96,500 C/eq

 $R = \text{universal gas constant}, 8.314 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}$ 

T = absolute temperature, K

 $\{i\}$  = activity of constituent i (A, B, C, or D), mol/L

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} = -n_{\text{Rxn}} F E_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} = \Delta G_{\text{ox}}^{\circ} + \Delta G_{\text{red}}^{\circ} = -n_{\text{ox}} F E_{\text{ox}}^{\circ} - n_{\text{red}} F E_{\text{red}}^{\circ}$$
(8-18)

where  $n_{\text{Rxn}} = \text{number of electrons transferred in overall reaction}$ , eq/mol

 $E_{Rxn}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of redox reaction, V

 $\Delta G_{ox}^{\circ}$  = standard free-energy change of oxidation half reaction, J/mol

 $\Delta G_{\rm red}^{\circ} = {\rm standard\ free}{-{\rm energy\ change\ of\ reduction\ half\ reaction}},$  J/mol

 $E_{\text{ox}}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of oxidation half reaction, V

 $E_{\text{red}}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of reduction half reaction, V

 $n_{\text{ox}}$  = number of electrons produced in oxidation half reaction, eq/mol

 $n_{\text{red}}$  = number of electrons obtained in reduction half reaction, eq/mol

### Example 8-2 Oxidation power of oxygen and hydrogen peroxide

Investigate whether oxygen  $(O_2)$  or hydrogen peroxide  $(H_2O_2)$  is the more powerful oxidant from a consideration of free energy.

### Solution

1. Write the reduction and oxidation half reactions of  $H_2O_2$  as well as the overall reaction. From Table E1 at the website listed in App. E, the half reaction of  $H_2O_2$  can be written with respect to the hydrogen electrode as follows:

$$H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O$$
 (reduction)  $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.780 \text{ V}$    
  $H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H^+ + 2e^-$  (oxidation)  $E_{ox}^{\circ} = 0 \text{ V}$    
  $H_2O_2 + H_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O$  (overall)  $E_{Rxn, H_2O_2}^{\circ} = 1.780 \text{ V}$ 

2. Calculate  $\Delta G_{\rm Rxn,\; H_2O_2}^{\circ}$  using Eq. 8-18 (note J/C = V):

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn, H}_2\text{O}_2}^{\circ} = -nFE_{\text{Rxn, H}_2\text{O}_2}^{\circ} = -\left(2 \text{ eq/mol}\right)\left(96,500 \text{ C/eq}\right)\left(1.780 \text{ J/C}\right)$$

$$= -343,540 \text{ J/mol} \quad (-343.5 \text{ kJ/mol})$$

3. Write the reduction and oxidation half reactions of  $O_2$  as well as the overall reaction: The half reaction of  $O_2$  can be written with respect to the hydrogen electrode as follows:

4. Calculate  $\Delta G^{\circ}_{Rxn,O_2}$  by rearranging Eq. 8-18:

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn,O}_2}^{\circ} = -nFE_{\text{Rxn,O}_2}^{\circ} = - (4 \text{ eq/mol}) (96,500 \text{ C/eq}) (1.27 \text{ J/C})$$
  
= -490,220 J/mol (-490 kJ/mol)

### - Potential of combined reactions

$$-(n_{\text{ox},1} + n_{\text{ox},2})FE_{\text{ox},\text{sum}}^{\circ} = -n_{\text{ox},1}FE_{\text{ox},1}^{\circ} - n_{\text{ox},2}FE_{\text{ox},2}^{\circ}$$
(8-19)

$$E_{\text{ox,sum}}^{\circ} = \frac{n_{\text{ox},1} E_{\text{ox},1}^{\circ} + n_{\text{ox},2} E_{\text{ox},2}^{\circ}}{n_{\text{ox},1} + n_{\text{ox},2}}$$
(8-20)

$$E_{\text{red,sum}}^{\circ} = \frac{n_{\text{red,1}} E_{\text{red,1}}^{\circ} + n_{\text{red,2}} E_{\text{red,2}}^{\circ}}{n_{\text{red,1}} + n_{\text{red,2}}}$$
(8-21)

where  $E_{\text{ox,sum}}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of combined oxidation half reaction, V

 $E_{\rm red,sum}^{\circ} = {
m standard\ electrode\ potential\ of\ combined\ reduction\ half\ reaction,\ V}$ 

 $E_{\text{ox},i}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of *i*th oxidation half reaction, V

 $E_{\text{red},i}^{\circ}$  = standard electrode potential of *i*th reduction half reaction, V

 $n_{\text{ox},i}$  = number of electrons produced in *i*th oxidation half reaction, eq/mol

 $n_{\text{red},i}$  = number of electrons obtained in *i*th reduction half reaction, eq/mol

### **Example 8-3 Oxidation of bromide to bromate**

Determine the oxidation potential for converting bromide (Br $^-$ ) to bromate (Br $^-$ ) from the hypobromous/bromide acid reaction and bromate/hypobromous reaction.

### Solution

1. From Table E1 at the website listed in in App. E, determine the two half reactions, their potentials, and the overall reaction:

$$Br^{-} + H_{2}O \rightleftharpoons HOBr + H^{+} + 2e^{-}$$
 (oxidation)  $E_{ox}^{\circ} = -1.33 \text{ V}$ 

$$\frac{HOBr + 2H_{2}O \rightleftharpoons BrO_{3}^{-} + 5H^{+} + 4e^{-}}{Br^{-} + 3H_{2}O \rightleftharpoons BrO_{3}^{-} + 6H^{+} + 6e^{-}}$$
 (oxidation)  $E_{ox,sum}^{\circ} = -1.49 \text{ V}$ 

2. Determine the potential for the oxidation reaction using Eq. 8-20 and the values from the online table of standard redox potentials

$$E_{\text{ox,sum}}^{\circ} = \frac{2(-1.33 \text{ V}) + 4(1.49 \text{ V})}{2 + 4} = -1.437 \text{ V}$$

- Determining equilibrium constant from electrical potential

$$0 = E_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln K_{\text{eq}}$$
 (8-22)

$$K_{\rm eq} = e^{nFE_{\rm Rxn}^{\circ}/RT} = e^{-\Delta G_{\rm Rxn}^{\circ}/RT}$$
 (8-23)

### Example 8-4 Oxidation of Fe(s) with dissolved oxygen

Calculate the equilibrium constant and  $\Delta G_{\rm Rxn}^{\circ}$  for the corrosion of Fe(s) to Fe<sup>2+</sup> by dissolved oxygen. Determine the oxygen concentrations that are needed for pH values equal to 5.5, 7.0, and 8.5 such that the reaction is thermodynamically favorable. *Given*: [Fe<sup>2+</sup>] =  $10^{-6}$  M and temperature is 298 K.

### Solution

Write the reduction and oxidation half reactions for corrosion of Fe(s) to Fe<sup>2+</sup> by reacting with oxygen as well as the overall reaction:
 From Table E1 at the website listed in App. E, the corrosion of Fe(s) to Fe<sup>2+</sup> by reacting with oxygen can be written as

$$2[\text{Fe (s)} \rightleftarrows \text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{e}^{-}] \qquad \text{(oxidation)} \quad E_{\text{ox}}^{\circ} = 0.44 \text{ V}$$

$$O_{2} (\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}^{+} + 4\text{e}^{-} \rightleftarrows 2\text{H}_{2}\text{O} \qquad \text{(reduction)} \quad E_{\text{red}}^{\circ} = 1.27 \text{ V}$$

$$2\text{Fe (s)} + O_{2} (\text{aq}) + 4\text{H}^{+} \rightleftarrows 2\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{H}_{2}\text{O} \qquad \text{(overall)} \quad E_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} = 1.71 \text{ V}$$

2. Calculate the equilibrium constant  $K_{eq}$  using Eq. 8-23:

$$K_{\text{eq}} = \exp\left(\frac{nFE_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ}}{RT}\right) = \exp\left[\frac{(4 \text{ eq/mol}) (96,500 \text{ C/eq}) (1.71 \text{ J/C})}{(8.314 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}) (298 \text{ K})}\right]$$

$$= 4.97 \times 10^{115}$$

3. Determine the equilibrium oxygen concentrations at pH values equal to 5.5, 7.0, and 8.5 using the expression developed in step 1 [2Fe(s) +  $O_2$ (aq) + 4H<sup>+</sup>  $\rightleftharpoons$  2Fe<sup>2+</sup> + 2H<sub>2</sub>O] and the equilibrium value developed in step 2:

$$K_{eq} = \frac{\{Fe^{2+}\}^2 \{H_2O\}^2}{\{Fe(s)\}^2 \{O_2(aq)\}\{H^+\}^4}$$

Neglecting activity coefficient corrections and assuming the activity of solids and liquids is equal to 1,

$$[O_2(aq)] = \frac{[Fe^{2+}]^2}{[H^+]^4 K_{eq}} = \frac{(10^{-6})^2}{[H^+]^4 (4.97 \times 10^{115})}$$

Therefore,

$$\left[ O_2 \, (\text{aq}) \right] = \begin{cases} \frac{[\text{Fe}^{2+}]^2}{[\text{H}^+]^4 \textit{K}_{eq}} = \frac{(10^{-6})^2}{(10^{-8.5})^4 \, (4.97 \times 10^{115})} = 2.01 \times 10^{-94} \, \text{M at pH 8.5} \\ \frac{[\text{Fe}^{2+}]^2}{[\text{H}^+]^4 \textit{K}_{eq}} = \frac{(10^{-6})^2}{(10^{-7})^4 \, (4.97 \times 10^{115})} = 2.01 \times 10^{-100} \, \text{M at pH 7} \\ \frac{[\text{Fe}^{2+}]^2}{[\text{H}^+]^4 \textit{K}_{eq}} = \frac{(10^{-6})^2}{(10^{-5.5})^4 \, (4.97 \times 10^{115})} = 2.01 \times 10^{-106} \, \text{M} \, \text{ at pH 5.5} \end{cases}$$

Note: When the reaction quotient  $Q=K_{eq}$ ,  $\Delta G=0$ . If  $\Delta G<0$ , the reaction is thermodynamically favorable. Thus, if the actual oxygen concentrations are greater than the equilibrium values computed above as a function of pH, the reaction will proceed as written in step 1.

- Impact of pH on reduction potential

$$E(pH) - E^{o}(pH = 0) = \Delta E_{red}^{o} = -\left(\frac{2.303RT}{nF}\right) \log\left(\frac{1}{[H^{+}]^{n}}\right)$$

$$= -\left[\frac{(2.303) (8.314 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}) (298 \text{ K})}{(96,500 \text{ C/eq}) (n \text{ eq/mol})}\right] pH$$

$$= -\left(\frac{0.0591}{n}\right) \approx pH \qquad (8-24)$$

where  $\Delta E_{\text{red}}^{\circ} = \text{change in potential, V}$   $R = \text{universal gas constant, } 8.314 \, \text{J/mol \cdot K}$  T = absolute temperature, K n = number of electrons transferred, eq/mol  $F = \text{Faraday's constant, } 96,500 \, \text{C/eq}$   $[\text{H}^+] = \text{concentration of hydrogen ion, mol/L}$   $p\text{H} = \log([\text{H}^+]) = \log(1/[\text{H}^+]), \text{ unitless}$ 

### **Example 8-5 Oxidation of manganese with ozone**

Manganese [Mn(II)] is soluble in water and is present in many groundwaters because insoluble forms (e.g., MnO<sub>2</sub>) that are contained in minerals are reduced to soluble forms. The subsurface is a reducing environment because electron acceptors such as oxygen have been used up by heterotrophic bacteria in the top organic-rich layer of soil. Ozone (O<sub>3</sub>) is sometimes used to remove Mn<sup>2+</sup>. Assume that the ozone and dissolved oxygen (DO) do not react with anything but Mn<sup>2+</sup> (a simplifying assumption because ozone will react with many other constituents in a real water) and the pH is constant. Then:

- 1. Balance the overall redox reaction for the oxidation of  $Mn^{2+}$  to  $MnO_2(s)$  with  $O_3$ .
- 2. Calculate the equilibrium constant.
- 3. Calculate the equilbrium Mn<sup>2+</sup> concentration when the pH is 7, DO is 5 mg/L, and the ozone concentration is 0.5 mg/L.
- 4. Obtain expressions for DO, ozone, and  $MnO_2(s)$  concentrations in terms of  $Mn^{2+}(s)$  concentration. The initial reactant concentrations are [DO] = 10 mg/L, ozone concentration = 3 mg/L, and  $Mn^{2+}$  = 2 mg/L and pH is 7.
- 5. Plot the free energy as a function of the conversion of Mn<sup>2+</sup> from 0.01 to 0.999.

Use the stoichiometric table to determine all reacting species as a function of  $X_A$  and then eliminate  $X_A$  by using the final concentration  $C_A$ . After substituting  $C_A$  back into the expressions, DO, ozone, and MnO<sub>2</sub> concentrations can be obtained in terms of the final concentration of Mn<sup>2+</sup>.

### Solution

- 1. Balance the overall redox reaction:
  - a. Identify the oxidation and reduction reactions and determine the standard electrode potential:

Oxidation reaction: 
$$Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O \rightleftharpoons MnO_2(s) + 4H^+ + 2e^ E^{\circ} = -1.23 \text{ V}$$

Reduction reaction: 
$$O_3$$
 (aq)  $+ 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons O_2$  (aq)  $+ H_2O$   $E^\circ = +2.08$  V

b. Balance the overall redox reaction by adding the two half reactions:

$$Mn^{2+} + 2H_2O \rightleftharpoons MnO_2(s) + 4H^+ + 2e^-$$
 (oxidation)  $E_{ox}^{\circ} = -1.23 \text{ V}$ 

$$O_3 (aq) + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons O_2 (aq) + H_2O$$
 (reduction)  $E_{red}^{\circ} = +2.08 \text{ V}$ 

$${\rm Mn}^{2+} + {\rm O}_3\,({\rm aq}) + {\rm H}_2{\rm O} 
ightleftharpoons {\rm MnO}_2\,({\rm s}) + {\rm O}_2\,({\rm aq}) + 2{\rm H}^+ \qquad \left({\rm overall}\right) \quad E_{\rm Rxn}^\circ = 0.850\,{\rm V}$$

$$E_{Rxn}^{\circ} = 2.08 + (-1.23) = 0.850 \text{ V}$$

- 2. Calculate the equilibrium constant:
  - a. Calculate  $\Delta G_{Rxn}^{\circ}$  using Eq. 8-16:

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} = -nFE_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} = -\left(2 \text{ eq/mol}\right)\left(96,500 \text{ C/eq}\right)\left(0.850 \text{ J/C}\right)$$

$$= -164,050 \text{ J/mol} = -164.05 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

b. Calculate the equilibrium constant  $K_{eq}$  using Eq. 8-23:

$$K_{eq} = e^{-\Delta G_{Rxn}^{\circ}/RT} = e^{-(-164.05)/(8.314 \times 10^{-3} \times 298)} = 5.71 \times 10^{28}$$

3. Calculate the equilibrium Mn<sup>2+</sup> concentration when the pH is 7, DO is 5 mg/L, and the ozone concentration is 0.5 mg/L:

$$[H^+] = 10^{-7} \text{ M}$$

$$[O_3(aq)] = 0.5 \text{ mg/L} = 1.04 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$

$$[O_2(aq)] = 5 \text{ mg/L} = 1.56 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$$

$$K_{eq} = \frac{[O_2(aq)][H^+]^2}{[Mn^{2+}][O_3(aq)]}$$

$$[Mn^{2+}] = \frac{[O_2(aq)][H^+]^2}{K_{eq}[O_3(aq)]} = \frac{(1.56 \times 10^{-4})(10^{-7})^2}{(5.71 \times 10^{28})(1.04 \times 10^{-5})}$$

$$= 2.63 \times 10^{-42} \text{ M} = 1.44 \times 10^{-37} \text{ mg/L}$$

4. Obtain an expression for DO, ozone, and MnO<sub>2</sub> in terms of Mn<sup>2+</sup>: Initial concentrations:

$$[Mn^{2+}]_0 = 2 \text{ mg/L} = 3.64 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$$
  
 $[O_3(aq)]_0 = 3 \text{ mg/L} = 6.25 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$   
 $[O_2(aq)]_0 = 10 \text{ mg/L} = 3.13 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M}$ 

According to the overall reaction and Eqs. 8-29 to 8-31, the molar concentrations of  $O_3(aq)$  and  $O_2(aq)$  can be expressed in terms of  $[Mn^{2+}]$  as

$$\begin{aligned} [O_3(aq)] &= [O_3(aq)]_0 - ([Mn^{2+}]_0 - [Mn^{2+}]) \\ &= 6.25 \times 10^{-5} - (3.64 \times 10^{-5} - [Mn^{2+}]) \\ &= 2.61 \times 10^{-5} + [Mn^{2+}] \\ [O_2(aq)] &= [O_2(aq)]_0 + ([Mn^{2+}]_0 - [Mn^{2+}]) \\ &= 3.13 \times 10^{-4} + (3.64 \times 10^{-5} - [Mn^{2+}]) \\ &= 3.49 \times 10^{-4} - [Mn^{2+}] \end{aligned}$$

Because  $MnO_2(s)$  is a solid in water, its activity is unity.

- 5. Plot the free energy as a function of the conversion of  $Mn^{2+}$  from 0.01 to 0.999:
  - a. Obtain an expression of free energy as a function of the conversion of Mn<sup>2+</sup>:

Assume the conversion of  $Mn^{2+}$  is  $X_{Mn}^{2+}$ . According to the overall reaction and Eqs. 8-25 to 8-28, the molar concentrations of  $Mn^{2+}$ ,  $H^+$ ,  $O_3(aq)$ , and  $O_2(aq)$  can be expressed as

$$[Mn^{2+}] = [Mn^{2+}]_0 (1 - X_{Mn^{2+}})$$

$$= 3.64 \times 10^{-5} (1 - X_{Mn^{2+}})$$

$$[H^+] = [H^+]_0 + 2[Mn^{2+}]_0 X_{Mn^{2+}}$$

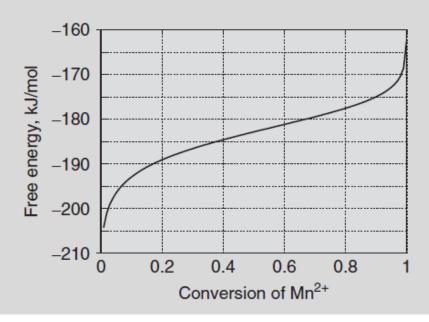
$$= 10^{-7} + 7.28 \times 10^{-5} X_{Mn^{2+}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [O_3(aq)] &= [O_3(aq)]_0 - [Mn^{2+}]_0 X_{Mn^{2+}} \\ &= 6.25 \times 10^{-5} - 3.64 \times 10^{-5} X_{Mn^{2+}} \\ [O_2(aq)] &= [O_2(aq)]_0 - [Mn^{2+}]_0 X_{Mn^{2+}} \\ &= 3.13 \times 10^{-4} + 3.64 \times 10^{-5} X_{Mn^{2+}} \end{aligned}$$

The free-energy expression (Eq. 8-15) can be written as given below by substituting the quotient *Q* for the logarithmic term in Eq. 8-15. The quotient is described in greater detail in Chap. 5.

$$\begin{split} &\Delta G_{\text{Rxn}} = \Delta G_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} + RT \ln(Q) = \Delta G_{\text{Rxn}}^{\circ} + RT \ln\left(\frac{[\text{O}_{2}(\text{aq})][\text{H}^{+}]^{2}}{[\text{Mn}^{2+}][\text{O}_{3}(\text{aq})]}\right) \\ &= -164.05 + (8.314 \times 10^{-3})(298) \\ &\times \ln\left\{\frac{\left(3.13 \times 10^{-4} + 3.64 \times 10^{-5} X_{\text{Mn}^{2+}}\right) \left(10^{-7} + 7.28 \times 10^{-5} X_{\text{Mn}^{2+}}\right)^{2}}{\left[3.64 \times 10^{-5} \left(1 - X_{\text{Mn}^{2+}}\right)\right] \left(6.25 \times 10^{-5} - 3.64 \times 10^{-5} X_{\text{Mn}^{2+}}\right)}\right\} \end{split}$$

b. Plot the free energy as a function of the conversion of Mn<sup>2+</sup> from 0.01 to 0.999:



## E<sub>H</sub>-pH Predominance Area Diagrams: Definition and Example for Chlorine

### **✓ OXYGEN**

$$O_2(g) + 4H^+ + 4e^- \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O \quad E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.23 \text{ V}$$
 (8-32)

$$E_H = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{n} \log \frac{1}{[H^+]^4 P_{O_2}}$$
 (8-33)

$$= E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{4} \left( 4 \text{pH} - \log P_{O_2} \right) \tag{8-34}$$

where  $E_H$  = electrode potential as function of pH, V

E =standard electrode potential, V

n = number of electrons transferred, eq/mol

 $P_{\rm O_2}$  = partial pressure of oxygen, atm

Assuming  $P_{O_9} = 0.21$  atm

$$E_H = 1.24 - 0.059 \text{pH}$$
 (8-35)

### √ HYDROGEN

$$2H_2O + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons H_2(g) + 2OH^- E^\circ = -0.828 V$$
 (8-36)

$$2H^+ + 2e^- \leftrightarrow H_2(g)$$
  $E^0 = 0$  V

$$E_H = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{2} \left( -2\text{pOH} + \log P_{\text{H}_2} \right)$$
 (8-37)

Assuming  $P_{\rm H_2} = 1$  atm, Eq. 8-37 results in the expression

$$E_H = -0.059 \text{pH} \tag{8-38}$$

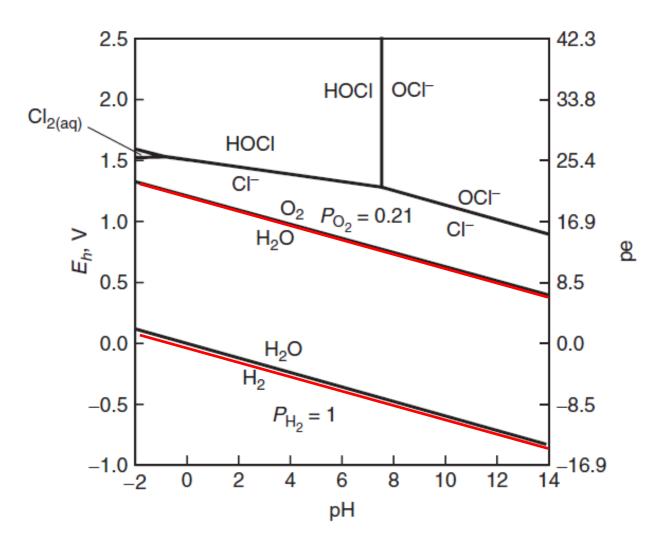


Figure 8-2 Predominance area diagram for chlorine system with total chlorine species concentration  $C_{T,Cl}$  of  $10^{-4}$  mol/L ( $C_{T,Cl} = 10^{-4}$  mol/L =  $2[Cl_2(aq)] + [HOCl] + [OCl^-] + [Cl^-]$ ).

### **✓ CHLORINE SPECIES**

$$C_{T,Cl} = 10^{-4} \text{ M} = 2[\text{Cl}_2(\text{aq})] + [\text{HOCl}] + [\text{OCl}^-] + [\text{Cl}^-]$$
 (8-39)

$$Cl_2(aq) + H_2O \rightleftharpoons Cl^- + HOCl + H^+$$
 (8-40)

$$HOCl \rightleftharpoons H^+ + OCl^ pK_a = 7.5 \text{ at } 25^{\circ}\text{C}$$
 (8-41)

$$2\text{HOCl} + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cl}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \qquad E^\circ = 1.61 \text{ V} \quad (8-44)$$

$$E_{H} = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{2} \log \left\{ \frac{[\text{Cl}_{2(\text{aq})}]}{[\text{H}^{+}]^{2}[\text{HOCl}]^{2}} \right\}$$
(8-45)

At the boundary, [HOCl] equals  $[Cl_2(aq)]$ , and when HOCl and  $Cl_2(aq)$  predominate in the solution,  $C_{T,Cl} \approx 2[Cl_2(aq)] + [HOCl] = 10^{-4} \text{ M}$  and  $[HOCl] = [Cl_2(aq)] = 3.33 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ , and Eq. 8-45 can be rewritten as

$$E_H = 1.61 - \frac{0.059}{2} \left\{ 2pH + \log \left[ \frac{3.33 \times 10^{-5}}{(3.33 \times 10^{-5})^2} \right] \right\}$$
(8-46)

$$= 1.47 - 0.059 \,\mathrm{pH}$$
 (8-47)

$$Cl_2(aq) + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons 2Cl^- \qquad E^\circ = 1.396 V$$
 (8-48)

$$E_H = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{2} \log \left( \frac{[\text{Cl}^-]^2}{[\text{Cl}_2(\text{aq})]} \right)$$
 (8-49)

Similarly, at the boundary [Cl<sup>-</sup>] equals [Cl<sub>2</sub>(aq)], and when Cl<sup>-</sup> and Cl<sub>2</sub>(aq) predominate in the solution,  $C_{T,\text{Cl}} \approx 2[\text{Cl}_2(\text{aq})] + [\text{Cl}^-] = 10^{-4} \text{ M}$  and [Cl<sup>-</sup>] = [Cl<sub>2</sub>(aq)] = 3.33 × 10<sup>-5</sup> M, and Eq. 8-49 can be rewritten as

$$E_H = 1.52 \,\mathrm{V}$$
 (8-50)

$$HOCl + H^{+} + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl^{-} + H_{2}O$$
 (8-55)

The standard cell potential must be determined using the combined reactions shown below:

$$2\text{HOCl} + 2\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftarrows \text{Cl}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \qquad \qquad E_{\text{red}}^{\circ} = 1.61 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Cl}_2(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftarrows 2\text{Cl}^- \qquad \qquad E_{\text{red}}^{\circ} = 1.396 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{HOCl} + \text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftarrows \text{Cl}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} \qquad \qquad E_{\text{red sum}}^{\circ} = ?$$

The value of  $E_{\text{red,sum}}^{\circ}$  can be computed using Eq. 8-21:

$$E_{\text{red,sum}}^{\circ} = \frac{n_{\text{red,1}} E_{\text{red,1}}^{\circ} + n_{\text{red,2}} E_{\text{red,2}}^{\circ}}{n_{\text{red,1}} + n_{\text{red,2}}} = \frac{2 (1.61 \text{ V}) + 2 (1.396 \text{ V})}{2 + 2} = 1.50 \text{ V}$$

The  $E_H$  can be determined using the expression

$$E_H = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{2} \log \left( \frac{[\text{Cl}^-]}{[\text{HOCl}][\text{H}^+]} \right)$$
 (8-56)

At the boundary, [Cl<sup>-</sup>] equals [HOCl] and Eq. 8-56 may be rewritten as

$$E_H = 1.50 - \frac{0.059}{2} \text{pH}$$
 (8-57)

$$OCl^{-} + 2H^{+} + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl^{-} + H_{2}O$$

$$HOCl + H^{+} + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl^{-} + H_{2}$$

$$OCl^{-} + H^{+} \rightleftharpoons HOCl$$

$$\Delta G_{Rxn,2}^{\circ} = ?$$

$$OCl^{-} + 2H^{+} + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl^{-} + H_{2}O$$

$$\Delta G_{Rxn,sum}^{\circ} = ?$$

$$E_{red,sum}^{\circ} = ?V$$

The value of  $\Delta G_{Rxn,1}^{\circ}$  for the reaction involving hypochlorous acid can be determined using Eq. 8-18, rewritten as follows:

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn,HOCl}}^{\circ} = -nFE_{\text{Rxn,1}}^{\circ} \quad E_{\text{Rxn,1}}^{\circ} = 1.5 \text{ V} = 1.5 \text{ J/C}$$
$$= -\left(2 \text{ eq/mol}\right) \left(96,500 \text{ C/eq}\right) \left(1.5 \text{ J/C}\right)$$
$$= -289,000 \text{ J/mol}$$

The value of  $\Delta G^{\circ}_{\text{Rxn,OCl}^-}$  for the reaction involving the hypochlorite ion can be determined using Eq. 8-23, rewritten as follows:

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn,OCl}^-}^{\circ} = -RT \ln K_{\text{eq}} \quad \text{where } K_{\text{eq}} = 10^{7.5}$$

$$= -\left(8.314 \,\text{J/mol} \cdot \text{K}\right) (298 \,\text{K}) \ln\left(10^{7.5}\right)$$

$$= -42,800 \,\text{J/mol}$$

The value of  $\Delta G_{\text{Rxn,sum}}^{\circ}$  can be obtained using Eq. 8-18 as follows:

$$\Delta G_{\text{Rxn,sum}}^{\circ} = \Delta G_{\text{Rxn,HOCl}}^{\circ} + \Delta G_{\text{Rxn,OCl}}^{\circ}$$

$$= (-289,000 \text{ J/mol}) + (-42,800 \text{ J/mol})$$

$$= -331,800 \text{ J/mol}$$

The value of  $E_{\text{red,sum}}^{\circ}$  can be obtained by rearranging Eq. 8-18:

$$E_{\text{red,sum}}^{\circ} = \frac{\Delta G_{\text{Rxn,sum}}^{\circ}}{-n_{\text{Rxn,sum}}F} = \frac{-331,800 \text{ J/mol}}{-\left(2 \text{ eq/mol}\right)\left(96,500 \text{ C/eq}\right)} \times \frac{1 \text{ V}}{1 \text{ J/C}}$$
$$= 1.72 \text{ V}$$

The  $E_H$  can be determined from the equation

$$E_{H} = E^{\circ} - \frac{0.059}{2} \log \left( \frac{[\text{Cl}^{-}]}{[\text{OCl}^{-}][\text{H}^{+}]^{2}} \right)$$
(8-59)

At the boundary, [Cl<sup>-</sup>] equals [HOCl] and the following expression may be obtained:

$$E_H = 1.72 - 0.059 \text{ pH}$$
 (8-60)

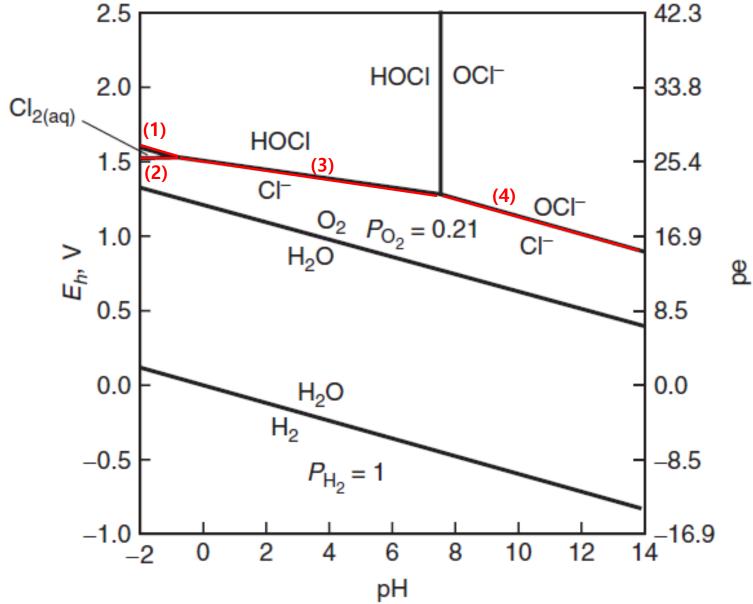


Figure 8-2 Predominance area diagram for chlorine system with total chlorine species concentration  $C_{T,Cl}$  of  $10^{-4}$  mol/L ( $C_{T,Cl}=10^{-4}$  mol/L = 2[Cl<sub>2</sub>(aq)] + [HOCl] + [OCl<sup>-</sup>] + [Cl<sup>-</sup>]).

\*pe =  $-\log[e^{-}] = F/(2.3RT)E_h$ 

### Rate of Oxidation-Reduction Processes

The reaction between an organic compound R (reductant) and an oxidant proceeds as shown in the following elementary reaction; and, based on numerous laboratory and full-scale studies, it has been found that second-order rate constants may be used to assess the rate of reaction:

$$R + oxidant$$
 (electron acceptor,  $O_2, O_3, HO$ •)

$$\rightarrow$$
 intermediate by-products (8-61)

intermediate by-products + oxidant

$$\rightarrow$$
 CO<sub>2</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O + mineral acids (e.g., HCl) (8-62)

$$r_{\rm R} = -k_{\rm ox} C_{\rm ox} C_{\rm R} \tag{8-63}$$

where  $r_{\rm R} = r$ 

 $r_{\rm R}$  = rate of disappearance of organic compound R, mol/L · s

 $k_{\text{ox}}$  = second-order rate constant for oxidation reaction, L · mol/s

 $C_{\text{ox}} = \text{concentration of oxidant, mol/L}$ 

 $C_{\rm R} = {\rm concentration~of~organic~compound~R,~mol/L}$ 

### 8-3 Conventional Chemical Oxidants

✓ Oxidation rate

$$HO \cdot > O_3 > H_2O_2$$
  
>  $HOCl > ClO_2 > KMnO_4$   
>  $Cl_2 > O_2$ 

**Table 8-4**Common oxidants, forms, and application methods

Oxidant	Forms	Application Methods				
Chlorine, free	Chlorine gas, sodium hypochlorite (NaOCI) solution	Gas eductors and spray jets				
Chlorine dioxide	Chlorine dioxide gas produced onsite using 25% sodium chlorite solution; sodium chlorite solution reacted with following constituents to form chlorine dioxide [CIO <sub>2</sub> (g)]: gaseous chlorine (HOCI), or acid (usually hydrochloric acid, HCI)	Gas eductors				
Hydrogen peroxide	Liquid solution	Concentrated solution mixed with water to be treated				
Oxygen	Gas and liquid	Pure oxygen or oxygen in air is applied as gas				
Ozone	A gas generated onsite by passing compressed air or pure oxygen across an electrode	Applied to water as a gas; mass transfer is an important issue; ozone contactors are usually bubble columns to ensure high transfer efficiency				
Permanganate	Available in bulk as granules	Added as dry chemical using feeder or as concentrated solution (no more than 5% by weight due to its limited solubility)				

**Table 8-5**Properties of common oxidizing agents: chlorine, chlorine dioxide, ozone, hydrogen peroxide, and potassium permanganate

Property	Unit	Chlorine, Cl <sub>2</sub>	Chlorine dioxide, CIO <sub>2</sub>	Ozone, O <sub>3</sub>	Hydrogen peroxide, H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	Potassium permanganate, KMnO <sub>4</sub>
Molecular weight	g/mol	70.91	67.45	48.0	34.02	158.04
Boiling point (liquid)	°C	-33.97	11	$-111.9 \pm 0.3$	114	4.50
Melting point	°C		<b>-59</b>	$-192.5 \pm 0.4$	<b>-50</b>	150
Latent heat of vaporization at 0°C	kJ/kg	253.6	27.28	14.90		
Liquid density at 15.5°C	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	1422.4	1640 <sup>a</sup>	1574	1460	
Solubility in water at 15.5°C	g/L	7.0	$70.0^{a}$	2.154		70
Specific gravity of liquid at $0^{\circ}$ C (water = 1)	unitless	1.468		12.07	1.48	2.70
Vapor density at 0°C and 1 atm	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	3.213	2.4	11	1.15	
Vapor density compared to dry air at 0°C and 1 atm	Unitless	2.486	1.856	1.666		
Specific volume of vapor at 0°C and 1 atm	m³/kg	0.3112	0.417	0.464		
Critical temperature	°C	143.9	153	-12.1		
Critical pressure	kPa	7811.8		5532.3		

Source: Adapted in part from U.S. EPA (1986) and White (1999).  $^{\rm a}{\rm At}~20^{\circ}{\rm C}.$ 

## Oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>)

√ Redox potential

$$O_2(aq) + 4H^+ + 4e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O$$
  $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.27 \text{ V}$ 

$$E_{\rm red}^{\circ} = 1.27 \,\mathrm{V}$$

- ✓ Applications
- Oxidation of iron, manganese, and sulfides

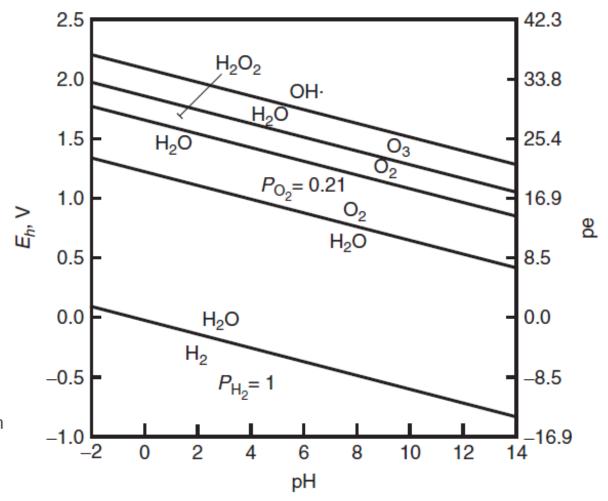


Figure 8-3 Predominance area diagram for oxygen system for oxygen concentration of 0.21 atm.

## Example 8-7 Oxidation of Fe(II) in presence of oxygen

Bench-scale tests have been conducted to examine the rate of oxidation of Fe(II) in a particular well water in the presence of oxygen. The results are shown below:

Time, min	Fe(II), mg/L
0	5
8.3	0.55
16.7	0.30
24.8	0.19
41.7	0.05

Assuming that the partial pressure of oxygen is maintained at 0.21 atm during the tests, determine  $k_{app}$ .

$$-\frac{d \left[\text{Fe}\left(\text{II}\right)\right]}{dt} = -r_{\text{Fe}\left(\text{II}\right)} = P_{\text{O}_2} \left[\text{Fe}\left(\text{II}\right)\right] k_{\text{app}}$$
(8-67)

#### **Solution**

1. Set up a spreadsheet with the following columns:

Column 1—time, min

Column 2—concentration of Fe(II), mg/L

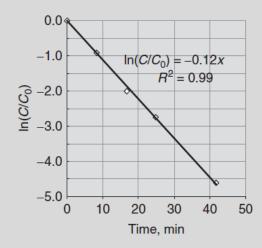
Column 3— $C/C_0$ 

Column 4— $\ln(C/C_0)$ 

The spreadsheet values are given below:

Time, min	Fe(II), mg/L	Fe(II), C/C <sub>0</sub>	Fe(II), $ln(C/C_0)$
0	5	1	0.00
8.3	2.0	0.4	-0.92
16.7	0.67	0.134	-2.01
24.8	0.32	0.064	-2.75
41.7	0.05	0.01	-4.61

2. Plot time (column 1) versus  $\ln(C/C_0)$  (column 4), and plot the best-fit regression line through the intercept at t=0 and  $\ln(C/C_0)=0$ .



The slope of the line is  $-P_{0_2}k_{app}$ :

$$P_{\rm O_2} k_{\rm app} = 0.12 \, \rm min^{-1}$$

$$k_{\text{app}} = \left(\frac{0.12/\text{min}}{0.11 \text{ atm}}\right) \simeq 1.091/\text{min} \cdot \text{atm}$$

#### Chlorine (Cl<sub>2</sub>)

#### ✓ Redox potential

$$Cl_{2}(aq) + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons 2Cl^{-}$$
  $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.396 \text{ V}$  (8-70)  
 $2HOCl + 2H^{+} + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl_{2}(aq) + 2H_{2}O$   $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.61 \text{ V}$  (8-71)  
 $HOCl + H^{+} + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl^{-} + H_{2}O$   $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.50 \text{ V}$  (8-72)  
 $OCl^{-} + H_{2}O + 2e^{-} \rightleftharpoons Cl^{-} + 2OH^{-}$   $E_{red}^{\circ} = 0.90 \text{ V}$  (8-73)

#### ✓ Applications

- Oxidation of iron, manganese, sulfides, taste and odor compounds (but not applicable to Geosmin & 2-MIB), ammonia
- Oxidation byproducts (chlorinated organic compounds) are problematic

# Chlorine Dioxide (CIO<sub>2</sub>)

✓ Redox potential

$$ClO_2(g) + 2H_2O + 5e^- \rightarrow Cl^- + 4OH^- E_{red}^{\circ} = 0.799 V$$
 (8-78)  
 $ClO_2 + e^- \rightarrow ClO_2^- E_{red}^{\circ} = 0.95 \sim 1 V$ 

✓ Decomposition

$$2ClO_2 + 2OH^- \rightarrow ClO_9^- + ClO_9^- + H_2O$$
 (8-79)

- ✓ Applications
- Oxidation of iron, manganese, sulfides, taste and odor compounds (little applicable to Geosmin & 2-MIB), and some of organic compounds

2.0 33.8 1.5 25.4  $CIO_4^-$ 1.0 16.9 CIO<sub>3</sub> CIO<sub>2</sub>  $E_h$ , V 0.5  $CIO_2^-$ 8.5 0.0 0.0  $H_2O$  $H_2$ -0.5-8.5 -1.0-16.92 0 6 8 10 12 4 14 pН

Figure 8-4 Predominance area diagram for chlorine dioxide system for total species concentration of  $10^{-4}$  mol/L.

## Hydrogen Peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)

✓ Redox potential

$$H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O \qquad E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.780 \text{ V}$$
 (8-80)

- ✓ Applications
- Oxidation of iron, sulfides
- A Reagent for advanced oxidation technology (a precursor of OH radical) e.g.,  $UV/H_2O_2$ ,  $O_3/H_2O_2$ ,  $Fe(II)/H_2O_2$

## Ozone (O<sub>3</sub>)

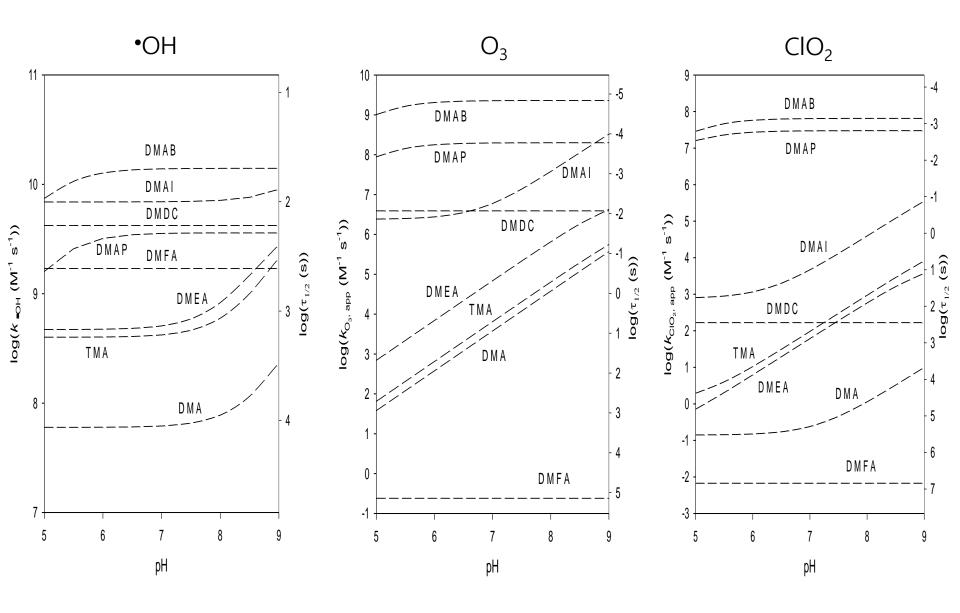
√ Redox potential

$$O_3(g) + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow O_2 + H_2O \qquad E_{red}^{\circ} = 2.08 \text{ V}$$
 (8-83)

#### ✓ Applications

- Oxidation of iron, manganese, sulfides, taste and odor compounds, micropollutamnts, removal of color, control of DBP precursors (oxidation of NOM)
- A Reagent for advanced oxidation technology (a precursor of OH radical) e.g.,  $UV/O_3$ ,  $O_3/H_2O_2$ ,  $Fe(II)/O_3$

✓ Second-order rate constants for reactions of NDMA precursors with oxidants



Lee et al., 2007 (Environ. Sci. Technol.)

## Permanganate (MnO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>)

#### √ Redox potential

$$MnO_4^- + 4H^+ + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons MnO_2(s) + 2H_2O \qquad E_{red}^\circ = 1.68 \text{ V}$$
 (8-87)

$$MnO_4^- + 8H^+ + 5e^- \rightleftharpoons Mn^{2+} + 4H_2O$$
  $E_{red}^{\circ} = 1.510 \text{ V}$  (8-88)

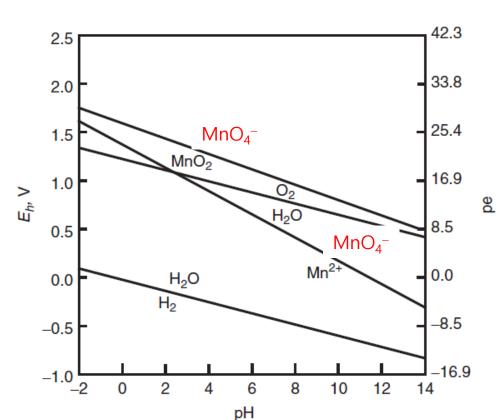
Under alkaline conditions the corresponding reduction half reaction is

$$MnO_4^- + 2H_2O + 3e^- \rightleftharpoons MnO_2 (s) + 4OH^- \qquad E_{red}^{\circ} = 0.590 \text{ V} \quad (8-89)$$

#### ✓ Applications

- Oxidation of iron, manganese, taste and odor compounds
- Pink color: needs dosage control

Figure 8-5
Predominance area diagram for permanganate system for total species concentration of  $10^{-4}$  mol/L.



# Example 8-8 Oxidation of Mn(II) with permanganate

Determine how much Mn(II) remains after 30 s of oxidation with permanganate in a CMBR. The initial concentrations of permanganate and Mn(II) are 1.5 times the stoichiometric requirement and 1 mg/L, respectively. Assume that the second-order rate constant is  $10^5$  L/mol  $\cdot$  s.

\*CMBR: Completely Mixed Batch Reactor

#### Solution

1. Calculate the initial concentration of permanganate using Eq. 8-91. Assume the initial concentrations of  $Mn^{2+}$  and  $MnO_4^{2-}$  are  $C_{A\,0}$  and  $C_{B\,0}$ , respectively:

$$3Mn^{2+} + 2MnO_4^- + 2H_2O \rightarrow 5MnO_2 + 4H^+$$

$$C_{AO} = [Mn^{2+}]_0 = \frac{1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/L}}{54.938 \text{ g/mol}} = 1.82 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$$

$$C_{BO} = [MnO_4^-]_0 = 1.5 \times \frac{2}{3} \times [Mn^{2+}]_0$$

$$= 1.5 \times \frac{2}{3} \times (1.82 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L})$$

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- 2. Calculate the remaining concentrations of Mn(II):
  - a. Write a mass balance for a CMBR, and develop the rate expression:

$$\frac{dC_{A}}{dt} = r_{A} = -kC_{A}C_{B} = -kC_{A}\left[C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}\left(C_{A0} - C_{A}\right)\right]$$

b. Integrate the rate expression:

$$\frac{1}{C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}C_{A0}} \int_{C_{A0}}^{C_{A}} \left[ \frac{dC_{A}}{C_{A}} - \frac{d\left[C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}\left(C_{A0} - C_{A}\right)\right]}{C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}\left(C_{A0} - C_{A}\right)} \right] = -\int_{0}^{t} kdt$$

$$\frac{1}{C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}C_{A0}} \ln\left(\frac{C_{A}}{C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}\left(C_{A0} - C_{A}\right)} \times \frac{C_{B0}}{C_{A0}}\right) = -kt$$

$$\frac{C_{A}}{C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}\left(C_{A0} - C_{A}\right)} = \frac{C_{A0}}{C_{B0}} \exp\left[-\left(C_{B0} - \frac{2}{3}C_{A0}\right)kt\right]$$

c. Solve for Mn(II) concentration at t = 30 s:

$$\frac{C_A}{1.82 \times 10^{-5} - \frac{2}{3} (1.82 \times 10^{-5} - C_A)}$$

$$= \exp(-0.333 \times 1.82 \times 10^{-5} \times 10^5 \times 30)$$

$$C_A = [Mn^{2+}] = 7.56 \times 10^{-14} M$$