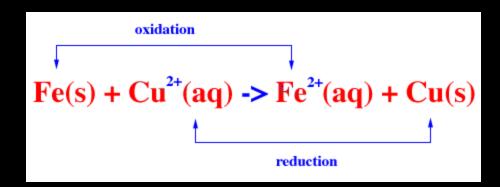


Redox Reactions

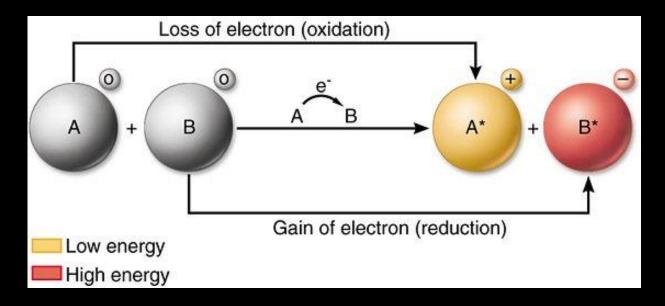


Redox Reactions

Electron transfer between atoms:

loss of electron = oxidation
gain of electron = reduction

simultaneous electron transfer = redox

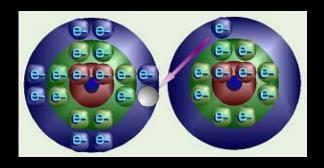


Historically, from studies of reactions of metals with oxygen

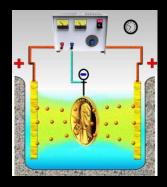
Redox Reaction Examples:



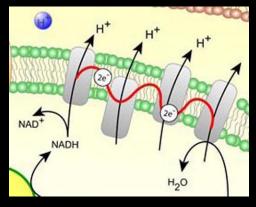
Batteries



Ionic Compounds



Electroplating



Electron Transport



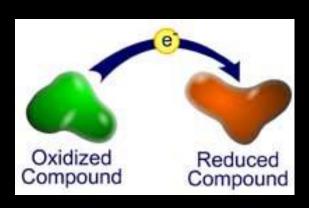
Corrosion



Leo, the Lion, Roars

Loses Electrons Oxidation

Leo Says GER (Gains Electrons Reduction)





Redox Teminology

Object Losing Electrons:

is oxidized

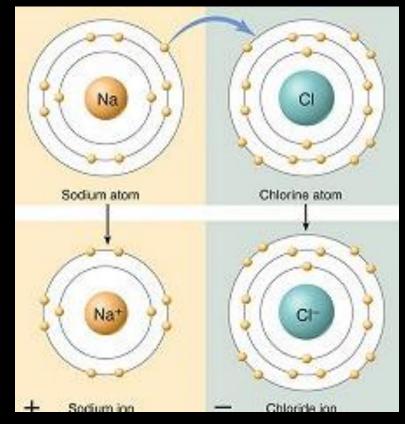
is reducing agent

Object Gaining Electrons:

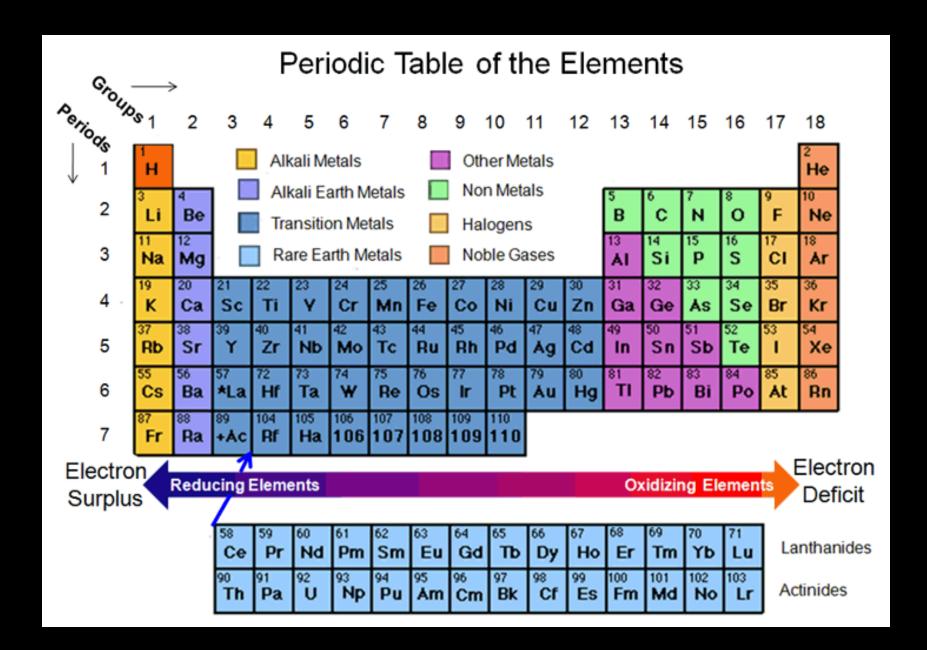
is reduced

is oxidizing agent

Reducing Agent Oxidized



Oxidizing Agent Reduced

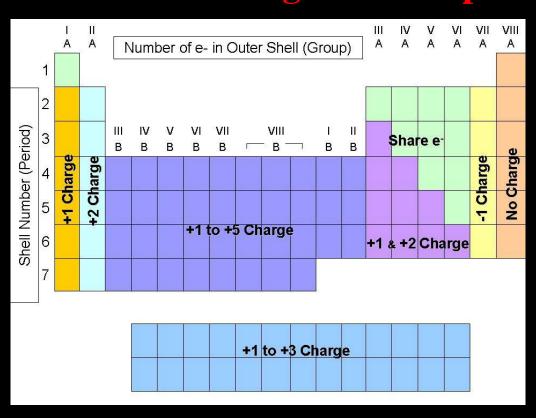


Oxidation Numbers

Real or hypothetical charge born by each atom

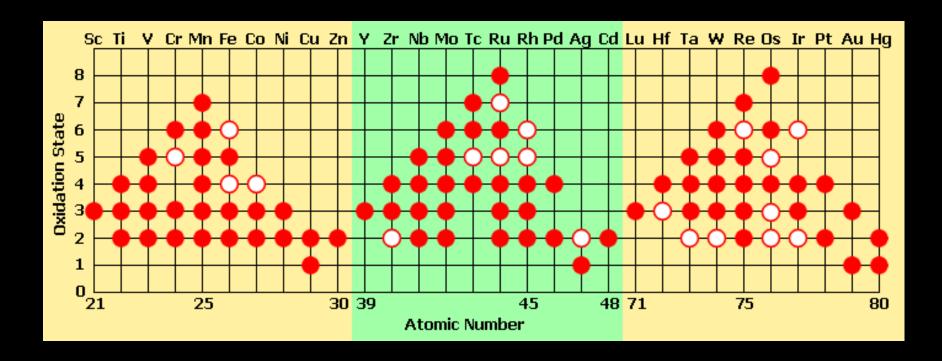
Pure Element: 0

Representative Elements: Family (Column) Charge Transition Elements: Assigned to keep compound = 0



Oxidation Numbers

Transition Elements Have multiple Possible Charges

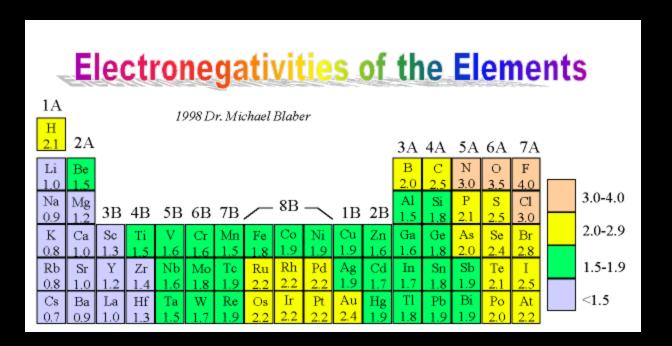


Solid Circle = commonly found Open Circle = less common

Assigning Oxidation Numbers

Oxidation Numbers are means of tracking electron flow

Most Electronegative atom assumed to have both e of shared pair

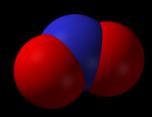


Example: O-H bond • Oxygen more electronegative Oxygen has both e of the shared pair associated with the O-H bond

Assigning Oxidation Numbers (O.N.)

All shared electrons assigned to the most electronegative atom No shared electrons assigned to the least electronegative atom All unshared valence electrons assigned to both atoms Oxidation Number:

(# valence e⁻) – (# shared e⁻ + # unshared e⁻)



Example: NO₂

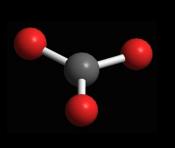
2 NO bonds

Oxygen more electronegative \rightarrow it gets unshared e⁻ for -2 O.N.

Nitrogen must balance $2 \times -2 = -4 \rightarrow +4$

Assigning Oxidation Numbers (O.N.)

For Charged Species, O.N. assigned to add to total charge on the ion



Example: CO₃²-

Oxygen =
$$3 \times -2 = -6$$

$$Carbon = +4$$

Check:
$$-6 = 4 = -2$$



Example: PF₃

Fluorine =
$$3 \times -1 = -3$$

Phosphorus
$$= +3$$

Check:
$$0 = 3 - 3$$

Redox Reaction

$$CH_{4(g)} + 2O_{2(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)} + 2H_2O_{(g)}$$

C: oxidation state changes from - 4 to + 4

O: oxidation state changes from 0 to - 2

H: oxidation state does not change



Terms:

C: oxidized (Oxidation state increases)

Oxidation: $CH_4 \rightarrow CO_2$

Reducing Agent (CH₄)

O: reduced (Oxidation state decreases)

Reduction: $O_2 \rightarrow H_2O$

Oxidizing Agent (O₂)









Redox Reaction

 $2 \text{ Al}_{(s)} + 3 \text{ I}_{2(s)} \rightarrow 2 \overline{\text{AlI}_{3(s)}}$

Al: oxidation state changes from 0 to +3
I: oxidation state changes from 0 to -1

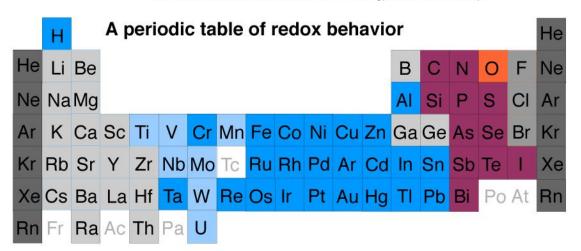
Terms:

Al: oxidized (Oxidation state increases)
Oxidation: Al → Al³⁺
Reducing Agent (Al)

I: reduced (Oxidation state decreases)

Reduction: $I_2 \rightarrow I^-$ Oxidizing Agent (I_2)

Atoms with positive charge (i.e. those with more electrons than protons) are chemically oxidized relative to their elemental condition.



Atoms with negative charge (i.e. those with more electrons than protons) are chemically reduced relative to their elemental condition.

Elements that exist in nature in iust one positively charged state

For example, K+ and Ca²⁺.

Elements with no redox chemistry in nature



Elements that exist in nature in more than one positively charged state

For example, Mo⁶⁺, Mo⁴⁺, & Mo²⁺.

Elements that exist in nature in elemental (uncharged) form and in at least one positively charged state

For example. Fe³⁺, Fe²⁺, & Fe.

Elements that exist in nature in states ranging from positively charged to negatively charged

> For example. S6+ to S2-.

Elements that exist in nature in elemental (uncharged) form and in at least one negatively charged state

> For example. O_2 to O^{2-} .

Elements with at least some redox chemistry in nature

(and thus with multiple forms that can't be shown on a one-cell-perelement table like this one, but shown in their multiple forms on the Earth Scientist's Periodic Table of the Elements and Their Ions)



Elements that exist in nature in just one negatively charged state

in nature in no charged state at all (the noble gases)

Elements

that exist

For example, F and Cl.

> Elements with no redox chemistry in nature







Balancing RedOx Reactions Half-Reactions

Account for electron transfers



Ion-Electron Method



Balancing Acidic / Neutral Half-Reactions

Separate reaction into two half-reactions: Oxidation & Reduction

For each half-reaction:

Balance all elements except hydrogen and oxygen

Balance oxygen with water

add one water for each excess oxygen to the other side

Balance hydrogen with H⁺

Balance the charge with electrons

If needed, multiply one or both half-reactions to balance electrons

Add the two half-reactions together

Cancel chemical identities occurring on both sides

Check elemental balance





$$HNO_3 + H_2S \rightarrow NO + S + H_2O$$

Reduction: $NO_3^- \rightarrow NO$ (N changes from +5 to +2)

Oxidation: $H_2S \rightarrow S$ (S changes from -2 to 0

Balancing Elements Reduction: $4 \text{ H}^+ + \text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{NO} + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$

Balancing Elements Oxidation: $H_2S \rightarrow S + 2 H^+$

Balancing Charge Reduction: $3e^{-} + 4H^{+} + NO_{3}^{-} \rightarrow NO + 2H_{2}O$

Balancing Charge Oxidation: $H_2S \rightarrow S + 2H^+ + 2e^-$

Equating Electrons Reduction: $6 e^{-} + 8 H^{+} + 2 NO_{3}^{-} \rightarrow 2 NO_{3} + 4 H_{2}O_{3}$

Equating Electrons Oxidation: $3 \text{ H}_2\text{S} \rightarrow 3 \text{ S} + 6 \text{ H}^+ + 6 \text{ e}^-$

Summing (canceling electrons):

 $8 H^{+} + 2 NO_{3}^{-} + 3 H_{2}S \rightarrow 2 NO + 4 H_{2}O + 3 S + 6 H^{+}$

Canceling identical chemical entities:

 $2 H^{+} + 2 NO_{3}^{-} + 3 H_{2}S \rightarrow 2 NO + 4 H_{2}O + 3 S$

Adding Counter Ions: $2 \text{ HNO}_3 + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{S} \rightarrow 2 \text{ NO} + 4 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 3 \text{ S}$







$$Pb + PbO_2 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow PbSO_4 + H_2O$$

Reduction: $PbO_2 \rightarrow Pb^{2+}$ (Pb changes from +4 to +2)

Oxidation: Pb \rightarrow Pb²⁺ (Pb changes from 0 to +2)

Balancing Elements Reduction: $4 \text{ H}^+ + \text{PbO}_2 \Rightarrow \text{Pb} + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$

Balancing Elements Oxidation: Pb -> Pb²⁺

Balancing Charge Reduction: $4e^{-} + 4H^{+} + PbO_{2} \rightarrow Pb + 2H_{2}O$

Balancing Charge Oxidation: Pb \rightarrow Pb²⁺ + 2 e⁻¹

Equating Electrons Reduction: $4e^- + 4H^+ + PbO_2 \rightarrow Pb + 2H_2O$

Equating Electrons Oxidation: $2 \text{ Pb} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Pb}^{2+} + 4 \text{ e}^{-}$

Summing (canceling electrons): $4 \text{ H}^+ + 2 \text{ Pb} + \text{PbO}_2 \Rightarrow \text{Pb} + 2 \text{ Pb}^{2+} + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$

Canceling identical chemical entities: $4 \text{ H}^+ + \text{ Pb} + \text{PbO}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{ Pb}^{2+} + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$

Adding Counter Ions: Pb + PbO₂ + $2 \text{ H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow 2 \text{ PbSO}_4 + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$



$$CH_3OH_{(aq)} + Cr_2O_7^{2-}_{(aq)} \longrightarrow CH_2O_{(l)} + Cr_{(aq)}^{3+}_{(aq)}$$

Reduction: $Cr_2O_7^{2-} \rightarrow Cr^{3+}$

Oxidation: $CH_3OH \rightarrow CH_2O$

(Cr changes from +6 to +3)

(C changes from -2 to 0)

Balancing Elements Reduction:

Balancing Elements Oxidation:

 $14 \text{ H}^+ + \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} \implies 2 \text{ Cr}^{3+} + 7 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$

CH₃OH → CH₂O + 2 H⁺

Balancing Charge Reduction:

Balancing Charge Oxidation:

 $6 e^{-} + 14 H^{+} + Cr_{2}O_{7}^{2-} \rightarrow 2 Cr^{3+} + 7 H_{2}O_{7}^{2-}$

 $CH_3OH \rightarrow CH_2O + 2 H^+ + 2e^-$

Equating Electrons Reduction:

Equating Electrons Oxidation:

 $6 e^{-} + 14 H^{+} + Cr_{2}O_{7}^{2-} \rightarrow 2 Cr^{3+} + 7 H_{2}O$

 $3 \text{ CH}_3 \text{OH} \rightarrow 3 \text{ CH}_2 \text{O} + 6 \text{ H}^+ + 6 \text{ e}^-$

Summing (canceling electrons):

$$14 \text{ H}^+ + \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 3 \text{ CH}_3\text{OH} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Cr}^{3+} + 7 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 3 \text{ CH}_2\text{O} + 6 \text{ H}^+$$

Canceling identical chemical entities:

$$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + 3 \text{ CH}_3\text{OH} + 8 \text{ H}^+ \rightarrow 2 \text{ Cr}^{3+} + 7 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 3 \text{ CH}_2\text{O}$$

Adding Counter Ions:

$$K_2Cr_2O_7 + 3CH_3OH + 4H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Cr_2(SO_4)_3 + K_2SO_4 7H_2O + 3CH_2O$$





Balancing Basic Half-Reactions



Separate reaction into two half-reactions: Oxidation & Reduction

For each half-reaction:

Balance all elements except hydrogen and oxygen

Balance oxygen with water

add one water for each excess to same side

add 2 OH to the other side

Balance hydrogen

add one OH on side with excess hydrogen

add one water to the other side (If needed)

Balance the charge with electrons

If needed, multiply one or both half-reactions to balance electrons

Add the two half-reactions together

Cancel chemical identities occurring on both sides

Check elemental balance



$$Zn + NaNO_3 + NaOH \rightarrow Na_2ZnO_2 + NH_3 + H_2O$$

Reduction: $NO_3^- \rightarrow NH_3$ (N changes from +5 to-3)

Oxidation: $Zn \rightarrow ZnO_2^{2-}$ (Zn changes from 0 to +2)

Balancing Elements Reduction: $NO_3^- \rightarrow NH_3$ Balancing Elements Oxidation: $Zn \rightarrow ZnO_2^{-2}$

Balancing Charge Reduction: $8 e^{-} + NO_{3}^{-} + 6 H_{2}O \rightarrow NH_{3} + 9 OH^{-}$

Balancing Charge Oxidation: $4 \text{ OH}^2 + \text{Zn} \rightarrow \text{ZnO}_2^2 + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 2 \text{ e}^2$

Equating Electrons Reduction: $8 e^{-} + NO_{3}^{-} + 6 H_{2}O \rightarrow NH_{3} + 9 OH^{-}$

Equating Electrons Oxidation: $16 \text{ OH}^- + 4 \text{ Zn} \rightarrow 4 \text{ ZnO}_2^{2-} + 8 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 8 \text{ e}^-$

Summing (canceling electrons):

$$NO_3^- + 6 H_2O + 16 OH^- + 4 Zn \rightarrow NH_3 + 9 OH^- + 4 ZnO_2^{2-} + 8 H_2O$$

Canceling identical chemical entities:

$$NO_3^- + 7 OH^- + 4 Zn \rightarrow NH_3 + 4 ZnO_2^{2-} + 2 H_2O$$

Adding Counter Ions:

$$4 \text{ Zn} + \text{NaNO}_3 + 7 \text{ NaOH} \rightarrow \text{NH}_3 + 4 \text{Na}_2 \text{ZnO}_2 + 2 \text{ H}_2 \text{O}$$



$$CoCl_2 + Na_2O_2 + NaOH + H_2O \rightarrow Co(OH)_3 + NaCl$$



Reduction: $OO^{2-} \rightarrow OH^{-}$

(O changes from -1 to -2)

Oxidation: $Co^{2+} \rightarrow Co^{3+}$

(Co changes from +2 to +3)

Balancing Elements Reduction

 $OO^{2-} + OH^{-} + 2 H_2O \rightarrow 5 OH^{-}$

Balancing Elements Oxidation:

 $Co^{2+} \rightarrow Co^{3+}$

Balancing Charge Reduction:

 $OO^{2-} + 2 OH^{-} + 2 H_2O \rightarrow 6 OH^{-}$

Balancing Charge Oxidation:

 $Co^{2+} \rightarrow Co^{3+} + 1e^{-}$

Equating Electrons Reduction: $2 e^{-} + OO^{2-} + 2 OH^{-} + 2 H_2O \rightarrow 6 OH^{-}$

Equating Electrons Oxidation: $2 \text{ Co}^{2+} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Co}^{3+} + 2 \text{ e}^{-}$

Summing (canceling electrons):

$$2 H_2O + OO^{2-} + 2 OH^{-} + 2 Co^{2+} \rightarrow 2 Co^{3+} + 6 OH^{-}$$

Adding Counter Ions:

$$2 \operatorname{CoCl}_2 + \operatorname{Na}_2 \operatorname{O}_2 + 2 \operatorname{NaOH} + 2 \operatorname{H}_2 \operatorname{O} \rightarrow 2 \operatorname{Co(OH)}_3 + 4 \operatorname{NaCl}$$

$$Bi_2O_3 + NaOH + NaOCl \rightarrow NaBiO_3 + NaCl + H_2O$$



Reduction: $OCl^- \rightarrow Cl^-$ (O changes from 0 to -2)

Oxidation: $Bi^{3+} \rightarrow BiO_3$ (Bi changes from +3 to + 5)

Balancing Elements Reduction $H_2O + ClO^- \rightarrow Cl^- + 2OH^-$

Balancing Elements Oxidation: $6 \text{ OH}^2 + \text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ BiO}_3^2 + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_3$

Balancing Charge Reduction: $2e^{-} + H_2O + ClO^{-} \rightarrow Cl^{-} + 2OH^{-}$

Balancing Charge Oxidation: $6 \text{ OH}^- + \text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3 \rightarrow 2 \text{ BiO}_3^- + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 4 \text{ e}^-$

Equating Electrons Reduction: $4e^2 + 2 H_2O + 2 ClO^2 \rightarrow 2 Cl^2 + 4 OH^2$

Equating Electrons Oxidation: $6 \text{ OH}^- + \text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ BiO}_3^- + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 4 \text{ e}^-$

Summing (canceling electrons):

$$2 H_2O + 2 ClO^- + 6 OH^- + Bi_2O_3 \rightarrow 2 Cl^- + 4 OH^- + 2 BiO_3^- + 3 H_2O$$

Canceling identical chemical entities:

$$2 \text{ ClO}^- + 2 \text{ OH}^- + \text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ Cl}^- + 2 \text{ BiO}_3^- + \text{ H}_2\text{O}$$

Adding Counter Ions:

$$Bi_2O_3 + 2 NaOH + 2 NaOCl \rightarrow 2 NaBiO_3 + 2 NaCl + H_2O$$



Balancing Redox Equations is:



- The most fun I've ever had
- 2. Plenty of fun
- 3. Kind of fun
- More fun than eating broken glass
- 5. Other

