

Q1. Can the reaction:



be regarded as a redox reaction?

Q2. Name a non-metal that does not show disproportionation reaction.

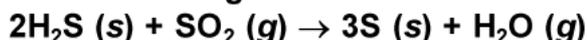
Q3. Name five non-metals that can show disproportionation reaction.

Q4. Fluorine ( $\text{F}_2$ ) does not show disproportionation. Give reason.

Q5. The oxoanion  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  does not show disproportionation reaction. Give reason.

Q6. Show that  $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{s}) + \text{F}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{HF}(\text{g}) + \text{HOF}(\text{g})$  is a redox reaction.

Q7. Find the change in the oxidation number of S in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{SO}_2$  in the following reaction.



Q8. Try all possible approaches to justify that the following reactions are redox reactions.



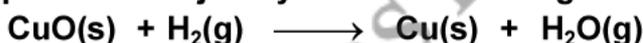
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Q12. At what concentration of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  will its electrode potential become equal to its standard electrode potential?

Q13. An iron rod is immersed in a solution containing  $\text{NiSO}_4$  and  $\text{ZnSO}_4$ . When the concentration of each salt is 1 M, predict giving reasons which of the following reactions is likely to proceed?

(a) Iron reduces  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  ions (b) Iron reduces  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  ions

Given :  $E^\circ_{(\text{Zn}^{2+}|\text{Ni})} = -0.25 \text{ V}$

Q14. Nitric acid is an oxidising agent and reacts with  $\text{PbO}$  but it does not react with  $\text{PbO}_2$ . Explain why?

Q15. Identify the oxidising and reducing agent in the following reactions.



Q16. Calculate the oxidation number of Fe in

(a)  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$

(b)  $\text{Fe}_4[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]_3$

Q17. The electrode reduction potentials of four metallic elements A, B, C and D are respectively + 0.79, -0.74, 1.08 and -0.31 V. Arrange these in order of decreasing electropositive character.

Q18. Assign oxidation number to the underlined elements in each of the following species:

- (a)  $\text{CaO}_2$       (b)  $\text{NaBH}_4$       (c)  $\text{H}_2\underline{\text{S}}_2\text{O}_7$       (d)  $\text{KAl}(\underline{\text{S}}\text{O}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Q19. Write formulas for the following compounds:

- (a) Mercury (II) chloride      (b) Nickel (II) sulphate      (c) Tin (IV) oxide  
(d) Thallium (I) sulphate      (e) Iron (III) sulphate      (f) Chromium (III) oxide

Q20. Assign oxidation number to the underlined elements in each of the following species:

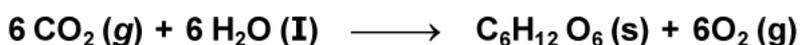
- (a)  $\text{NaH}_2\underline{\text{P}}\text{O}_4$       (b)  $\text{NaH}\underline{\text{S}}\text{O}_4$       (c)  $\text{H}_4\underline{\text{P}}_2\text{O}_7$       (d)  $\text{K}_2\underline{\text{Mn}}\text{O}_4$

Q21. The compound  $\text{AgF}_2$  is unstable. However, if formed, the compound acts as a very strong oxidising agent. Why?

Q22. Identify the substance oxidised, reduced, oxidising agent and reducing agent for each of the following reactions.

- (a)  $2\text{AgBr}(\text{s}) + \text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_2(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow 2\text{Ag}(\text{s}) + 2\text{HBr}(\text{aq}) + \text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{O}_2(\text{aq})$   
(b)  $\text{HCHO}(\text{l}) + 2[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+(\text{aq}) + 3\text{OH}^-(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow 2\text{Ag}(\text{s}) + \text{HCOO}^-(\text{aq}) + 4\text{NH}_3(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$

Q23. Formation of glucose from carbon dioxide and water during photosynthesis takes place as:



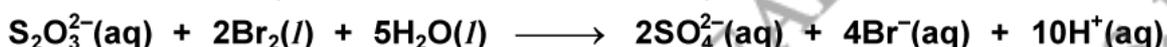
Give reason to represent this reaction as follows:



Q24. Write four informations about the reaction:



Q25. Consider the reactions:

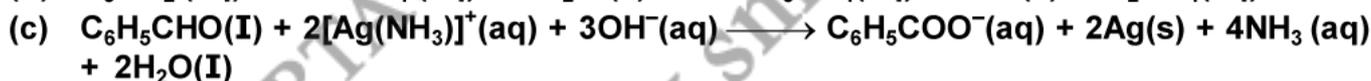
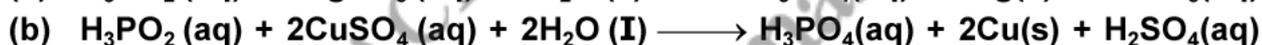
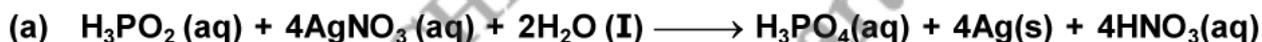


Why does the same reductant, thiosulphate react differently with iodine and bromine?

Q26. Using reaction  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4 + 8\text{HCl} \rightarrow 3\text{PbCl} + 3\text{PbCl}_2 + \text{Cl}_2 + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  justify that  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4$  is stoichiometric mixture of 2 moles of  $\text{PbO}$  and one mole of  $\text{PbO}_2$ .

Q27. The oxoanions  $\text{ClO}^-$ ,  $\text{ClO}_2^-$  and  $\text{ClO}_3^-$  Show disproportionation reaction. Give reason.

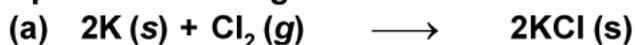
Q28. With reference to the following reactions draw inference about the behaviour of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ :



Q29. Justify that the reaction  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4 + 4\text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + \text{PbO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is essentially acid base reaction though  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4$  is a stoichiometric mixture of 2 moles of  $\text{PbO}$  and one mole of  $\text{PbO}_2$  which is an oxidising agent.

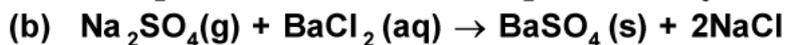
Q30. Nitric acid acts only as an oxidising agent while nitrous acid acts both as an oxidising as well as reducing agent. Explain.

Q31. Split the following redox reactions in the oxidation and reduction half reactions :



Q32. Arrange the following molecules in the decreasing order of oxidation state (+ve to -ve) of nitrogen :  $\text{NO}_2$ ,  $\text{HN}_3$ ,  $\text{NO}_2^-$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$ .

Q33. Which one of the following is not a redox reaction? Justify your answer.



Q34. Calculate the oxidation number of the underlined element in



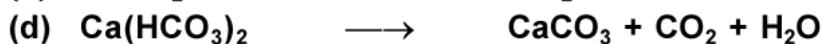
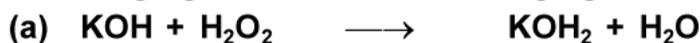
Q35. Can the following reaction :  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{CrO}_4^{2-} + 2\text{H}^+$  be regarded as a redox reaction?

Q36. Which of the following reactions are feasible?



Q37. Predict the maximum and minimum oxidation states for (i) Cl (ii) Ti

Q38. Which of the following equations represent oxidation reduction reaction? Identify each oxidising agent and each reducing agent.



Q39. What is the oxidation number of N in  $\text{HNO}_4$ ?

Q40. Why does the following reaction occur?



What conclusion about the compound  $\text{Na}_4\text{XeO}_6$  (of which  $\text{XeO}_6^{4-}$  is a part) can be drawn from the reaction.

Q41. Calculate the oxidation number of nickel in  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ , iron in  $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_5$  and carbon in  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ .

Q42. What are the oxidation number of the underlined elements in each of the following and how do you rationalize your results? (a)  $\underline{\text{C}}\text{H}_3\underline{\text{C}}\text{H}_2\text{OH}$ ; (b)  $\underline{\text{C}}\text{H}_3\underline{\text{C}}\text{OOH}$ .

Q43. What are the oxidation number of the underlined elements in each of the following and how do you rationalize your results? (a)  $\underline{\text{K}}\underline{\text{I}}_3$ ; (b)  $\underline{\text{Fe}}_3\underline{\text{O}}_4$ .

Q44. Calculate the oxidation number of sulphur, chromium and nitrogen in  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{CrO}_5$  and  $\text{NO}_3^-$ . Suggest structures of these three compounds. Count for the fallacy.

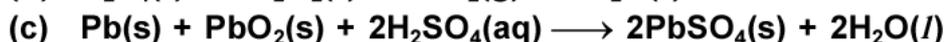
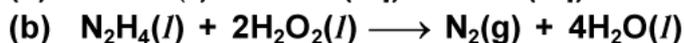
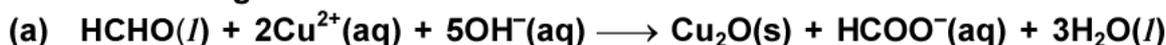
Q45. Fluorine reacts with ice and results in the change:



Justify that this reaction is a redox reaction. If oxygen of HOF disproportionates at room temperature, then what reaction is possible?

Q46. While sulphur dioxide and hydrogen peroxide can act as an oxidising as well as reducing agents in their reactions, ozone and nitric acid act only as oxidants. Why?

**Q47.** Identify the substance oxidised, reduced, oxidising agent and reducing agent for each of the following reactions.



**Q48.** Chlorine is used to purify drinking water. Excess of chlorine is harmful. The excess of chlorine is removed by treating with sulphur dioxide. Present a balanced equation for the reaction for this redox change taking place in water.

**Q49.** Consider the elements: Cs, Ne, I, F

(a) Identify the element that exhibits –ve oxidation state.

(b) Identify the element that exhibits +ve oxidation state.

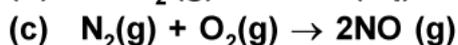
(c) Identify the element that exhibits both +ve and –ve oxidation state.

(d) Identify the element which neither exhibits –ve nor +ve oxidation state.

**Q50.** How does  $\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$  act as both oxidant and reductant? Explain with proper reactions showing the change of oxidation number in each case.

**Q51.** When 10 mL of a solution of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions was titrated in the presence of dil  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  using diphenylamine indicator, 15 mL of 0.02 M solution of  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  was used to get the end point. Calculate the molarity of the solution containing  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions.

**Q52.** Giving reason select the type of reactions as disproportionation, combination, decomposition, displacement from the following list.



**S1.** In this reaction,

Oxidation number of Cr in  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-} = +6$

Oxidation number of Cr in  $\text{CrO}_4^{2-} = +6$

Since during this reaction, the oxidation number of Cr has neither increased nor decreased. therefore, the above reaction cannot be regarded as a redox reaction.

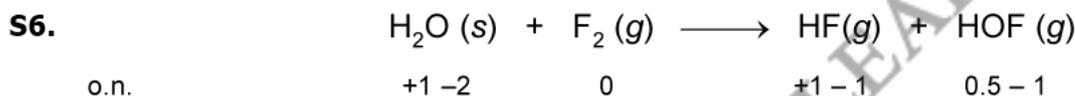
**S2.** Fluorine ( $\text{F}_2$ ) does not show disproportionation reaction.

**S3.** Chlorine ( $\text{Cl}_2$ ), bromine ( $\text{Br}_2$ ), iodine ( $\text{I}_2$ ), phosphorus ( $\text{P}_4$ ), sulphur ( $\text{S}_8$ )

**S4.** In  $\text{F}_2$  the oxidation number of fluorine is 0 which is its highest value. Therefore,  $\text{F}_2$  does not show disproportionation reaction.

**S5.** In the oxoanion  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  the oxidation number of chlorine is +7 which is its highest value. Therefore, the oxoanion  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  does not show disproportionation reaction.

**Justification:** In order to show disproportionation reaction the main atom of the species should not be in its highest or lowest oxidation state but it should have intermediate oxidation number.



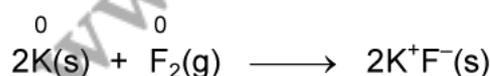
There is change in the oxidation number of each atom of the above reaction. Therefore, it is a redox reaction.

**S7.** We shall write the oxidation number of S atom in the reactants and products below each symbol.



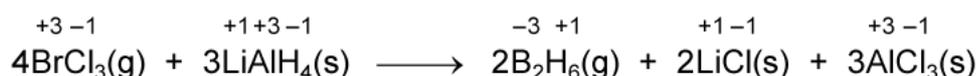
- In  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  the oxidation number of S atom changes from -2 to 0.
- In  $\text{SO}_2$  the oxidation number of S atom changes from +4 to 0.

**S8.** The chemical equation along with oxidation number of each element will be written as:



Each K atom has lost one electron to form  $\text{K}^+$  while  $\text{F}_2$  has gained two electrons to form two  $\text{F}^-$  ions. Therefore, K is oxidised while  $\text{F}_2$  is reduced. Thus, it is *redox reaction*.

**S9.** The chemical equation along with oxidation number of each element is:



Here, O.N. of B decreases from +3 in  $\text{BCl}_3$  to -3 in  $\text{B}_2\text{H}_6$  while that of H increases from -1 in  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  to +1 in  $\text{B}_2\text{H}_6$ . Therefore,  $\text{BCl}_3$  is reduced while  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  is oxidised. Further, H is added to  $\text{BCl}_3$  but is removed from  $\text{LiAlH}_4$ , therefore,  $\text{BCl}_3$  is reduced while  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  is oxidised. Thus it is a *redox reaction*.

**S10.** The chemical equation of the reaction is:



Here, O.N. of Fe decreases from +3 in  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  to 0 in Fe while that of C increases from +2 in CO to +4 in  $\text{CO}_2$ . Further, oxygen is removed from  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  and added in CO, therefore,  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  is reduced while CO is oxidised. Thus this is a *redox reaction*.

**S11.** The chemical equation with oxidation number of each element shown on its symbol is written as:



Here, O is removed from CuO, therefore, it is reduced to Cu while O is added to  $\text{H}_2$  to form  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , therefore hydrogen is oxidised. Further, O.N. of Cu decreases from +2 in CuO to 0 in Cu but that of H increases from 0 in  $\text{H}_2$  to +1 in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Therefore, CuO is reduced to Cu but  $\text{H}_2$  is oxidised to  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Thus, this is a *redox reaction*.

**S12.** At 1 M concentration.

**S13.** (a) The reduction potential of iron is more than that of zinc. Therefore, iron will be reduced. In other words,  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  will not be reduced by iron.

(b) The reduction potential of  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  is more than that of iron. Therefore,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  will be reduced by iron.

**S14.** PbO is a basic oxide and reacts with  $\text{HNO}_3$  and simple acid base reaction take place.



But in  $\text{PbO}_2$ , lead is in +4 oxidation state and cannot be further oxidised. Therefore, it does not react with  $\text{HNO}_3$ .



$\text{Fe}^{2+}$  is oxidised to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  by  $\text{NO}_3^-$  ion and therefore,  $\text{NO}_3^-$  is an oxidising agent.  $\text{NO}_3^-$  is reduced from N (+5) to N(+4) in  $\text{NO}_2$  by  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and therefore,  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  is a reducing agent.

**S16.** (a)  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$   $3x - 8 = 0$  or  $x = 8/3$  (fractional)

Actually the composition of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  is  $\text{FeO} \cdot \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$

The O.N. of Fe in FeO is +2 and in  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ , it is +3.

On the average O.N. comes out to be 8/3.

(b)  $\text{Fe}_4[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]_3$ . In this case the O.N. of Fe in the bracket is +2 and that of Fe outside the brackets is +3.  $\text{Fe}_4^{+3}[\text{Fe}^{+2}(\text{CN})_6]_3$

**S17.** Higher the electrode reduction potential, lower is its tendency to lose electrons and therefore, lower is the electropositive character of the metal. So, the metals can be arranged as : B, D, A, C.

**S18.** (a) The oxidation number of Ca is +2. Thus, the sum of oxidation numbers in  $\overset{+2}{\text{Ca}}\overset{x}{\text{O}}_2$  will be

$$+2 + 2x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

Thus, oxidation number of oxygen in  $\text{CaO}_2 = -1$ .

(b) In  $\text{NaBH}_4$ , H is present as hydride ion. There, its oxidation number is  $-1$ . Thus, for  $\overset{+1}{\text{Na}}\overset{x}{\text{B}}\overset{-2}{\text{H}}_4$ , the sum of oxidation numbers is  $1(+1) + x + 4(-1) = 0$  or  $x + 3$ .

Thus, the oxidation number of B in  $\text{NaBH}_4 = +3$ .

(c) The sum of oxidation numbers in,  $\overset{+1}{\text{Na}}_2\overset{x}{\text{S}}_2\overset{-2}{\text{O}}_7$ , will be given as

$$2(+1) + 2(x) + 7(-2) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +6.$$

Thus, the oxidation number of S in  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_7 = +6$ .

(d) The sum of oxidation numbers in,  $\overset{+1+3}{\text{KAl}}(\overset{x-2}{\text{S}}\text{O}_4)_2 \cdot \overset{+1-2}{12}(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ , is

$$+1 + 3 + 2x + 8(-2) + 12(2 \times 1 - 2) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +6.$$

Alternatively, since  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is a neutral molecule, therefore, sum of oxidation numbers of all the atoms in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  may be taken as zero. As such water molecules can be ignored while computing the oxidation number of S. Accordingly,

$$+1 + 3 + 2x - 16 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +6$$

Thus, the oxidation number of S in  $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O} = +6$ .

**S19.** (a)  $\text{Hg(II)Cl}_2$

(b)  $\text{Ni(II)SO}_4$

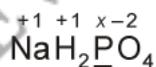
(c)  $\text{Sn(IV)O}_2$

(d)  $\text{Th}_2(\text{I})\text{SO}_4$

(e)  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{III})(\text{SO}_4)_3$

(f)  $\text{Cr}_2(\text{II})\text{O}_3$

**S20.** (a) Let the oxidation number of P be  $x$ . The oxidation number of each atom is shown above its symbol,



Sum of oxidation numbers of various atoms in  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$  is zero, hence

$$1(+1) + 2(+1) + 1(x) + 4(-2) = 0$$

$$\text{or} \quad x - 5 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +5$$

Thus, the oxidation number of P in  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 = +5$ .

(b) In the similar way as discussed, the sum of oxidation numbers in  $\overset{+1}{\text{Na}}\overset{+1}{\text{H}}\overset{x-2}{\text{S}}\overset{-2}{\text{O}}_4$  will be,

$$1(+1) + 1(+1) + x + 4(-2) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +6$$

Thus, the oxidation number of S in  $\text{NaHSO}_4 = +6$ .

(c) The sum of oxidation numbers in,  $\overset{+1}{\text{H}}_4\overset{x}{\text{P}}_2\overset{-2}{\text{O}}_7$ , will be

$$4(+1) + 2(x) + 7(-2) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +5$$

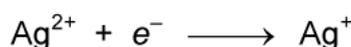
Thus, the oxidation number of P in  $\text{H}_4\text{P}_2\text{O}_7 = +5$ .

(d) The sum of of oxidation numbers in  $\overset{+1}{\text{K}}_2\overset{x}{\text{Mn}}\overset{-2}{\text{O}}_7$ , will be

$$2(+1) + 1(x) + 4(-2) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +6$$

Thus, the oxidation number of Mn in  $\text{K}_2\text{MnO}_4 = +6$ .

**S21.** In  $\text{AgF}_2$ , oxidation state of Ag is +2 which is very very unstable. Since Ag can exist in a stable state of +1 therefore, it quickly accepts an electron to form the more stable +1 oxidation state.

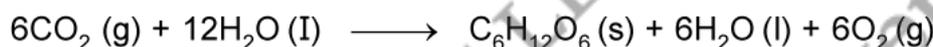


Therefore,  $\text{AgF}_2$ , if formed, will act as a strong oxidising agent.

**S22.** The list of substance oxidised, reduced, etc., for the given reactions are tabulated below:

	<i>Substance oxidised</i>	<i>Substance reduced</i>	<i>Oxidising agent</i>	<i>Reducing agent</i>
(a)	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_2(\text{aq})$	$\text{AgBr}(\text{s})$	$\text{AgBr}(\text{s})$	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_2(\text{aq})$
(b)	$\text{HCHO}(\text{l})$	$[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+$	$[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+$	$\text{HCHO}(\text{l})$

**S23.** During Photosynthesis in the presence of sunlight and chlorophyll water is oxidised to give  $\text{O}_2$ . Now 6 molecules of  $\text{O}_2$  are produced by the oxidation of 12 molecules of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . In the other part of the reaction  $\text{CO}_2$  reacts with hydrogen given by water to form glucose and water. Therefore, the reaction is represented as



**S24.** (a) It is a disproportionation reaction.

(b) Cyanogen  $(\text{CN})_2$  gets simultaneously reduced to  $\text{CN}^-$  ion as well as oxidised to cyanate ion.

(c) O.N. of N in  $(\text{CN})_2$  is  $-3$  while that in  $\text{CN}^-$  is  $-2$  and in  $\text{CNO}^-$  is  $-5$ .

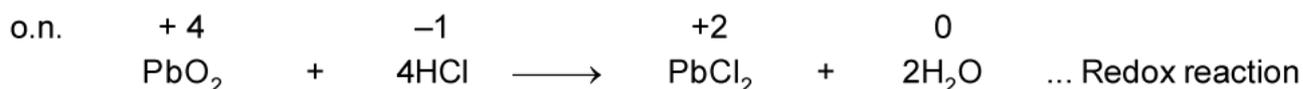
(d) The reaction occurs in basic medium.

**S25.** The average O.N. of S in  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$  is +2 while in  $\text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$  it is +2.5. The O.N. of S in  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  is +6. Since  $\text{Br}_2$  is a stronger oxidising agent than  $\text{I}_2$ , it oxidises S of  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$  to a higher oxidation state of +6 and hence forms  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  ion.  $\text{I}_2$ , however, being a weaker oxidising agent oxidises S of  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$  ion to a lower oxidation of +2.5 in  $\text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$  ion. It is because of this reason that thiosulphate reacts differently with  $\text{Br}_2$  and  $\text{I}_2$ .

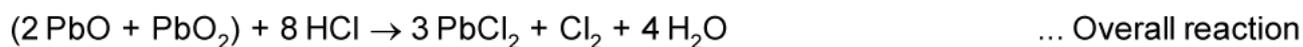
**S26.** (a)  $\text{PbO}$  is a basic oxide and it reacts with hydrochloric acid as



- (b)  $\text{PbO}_2$  is an oxidising agent, it oxidises  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion of  $\text{HCl}$  to  $\text{Cl}_2$  whereas  $\text{Pb}$  is reduced from + 4 oxidation state to + 2 state



On adding the above two reactions we shall get



Thus it is proved that  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4$  is a stoichiometric mixture of 2 moles of  $\text{PbO}$  and 1 mole of  $\text{PbO}_2$ . That is,  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4 \equiv (\text{PbO} + \text{PbO}_2)$ .

**S27.** The oxoanions  $\text{ClO}^-$ ,  $\text{ClO}_2^-$  and  $\text{ClO}_3^-$  show disproportionation reactions because the chlorine atom in each one of them is in its intermediate oxidation state.

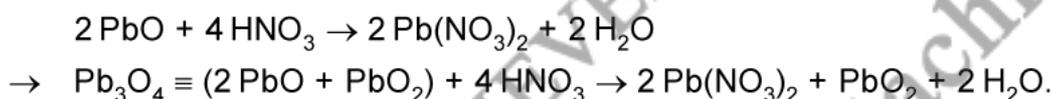


**S28.** In reactions (a) and (b) both  $\text{Ag}$  and  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  act as oxidising agents.

From reactions (c) and (d) it is inferred that

- (a)  $\text{Ag}^+$  is better oxidising agent than  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$   
 (b)  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  has lesser tendency to get reduced as compared to  $\text{Ag}^+$   
 (c)  $\text{Cu}$  is more reactive than  $\text{Ag}$ .

**S29.** In  $\text{Pb}_3\text{O}_4 \equiv (2\text{PbO} + \text{PbO}_2)$  it is true that  $\text{PbO}_2$  is an oxidising agent. But it is ineffective in the presence of  $\text{HNO}_3$  which itself is a strong oxidising agent. Thus  $\text{PbO}_2$  cannot oxidise  $\text{HNO}_3$ .



**S30.** (a) Oxidation number of  $\text{N}$  in  $\text{HNO}_3$  is + 5.

Maximum oxidation number of  $\text{N}$  is +5 because it has five electrons the valence shell ( $2s^2 2p^3$ ).

Minimum oxidation number of  $\text{N}$  is - 3 because it has accept 3 more electrons to get noble configuration.

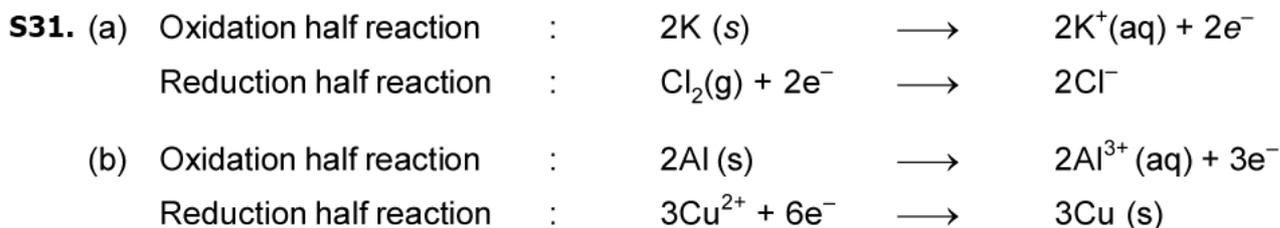
Since O.N. of  $\text{N}$  in  $\text{HNO}_3$  is maximum therefore, it can only decrease. Thus,  $\text{HNO}_3$  can act as an oxidising agent.

(b)  $\text{HNO}_2$ . Oxidation number of  $\text{N} = + 3$

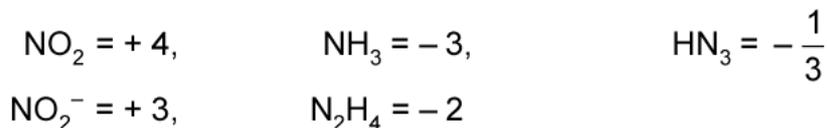
Maximum O.N. of  $\text{N} = + 5$

Minimum O.N. of  $\text{N} = - 3$

Therefore, the O.N. of  $\text{N}$  can increase by losing electrons or can decrease by accepting electrons. Thus,  $\text{HNO}_2$  can act both as an oxidising as well as a reducing agent.



**S32.** Oxidation states of N are :

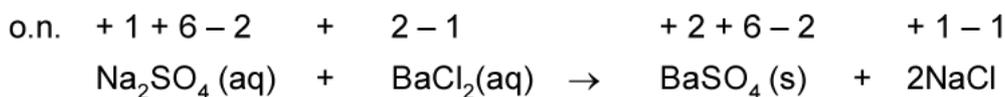


Decreasing order of oxidation state:

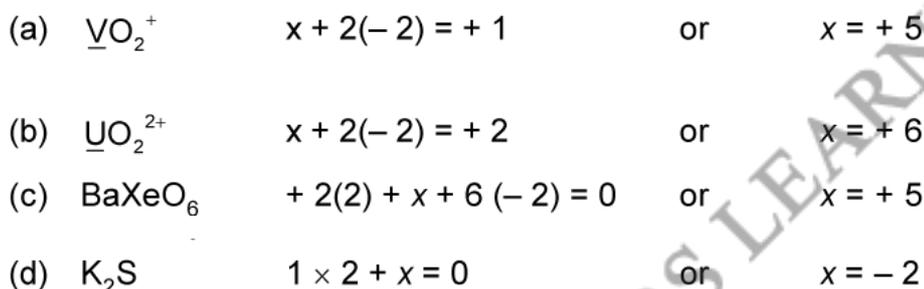


**S33.** Reaction (b) does not represent a true redox reaction. It is a double displacement reaction.

**Justification:** There is no change in the oxidation number of any atom involved in the given reaction



**S34.** The O.N. of underlined atom is represented by  $x$



**S35.** In this reaction, oxidation number of Cr in  $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$  is +6 and oxidation number of Cr in  $CrO_4^{2-}$  is +6. Since during the reaction, the oxidation number of Cr has neither decreased nor increased, therefore, the above reaction is not a redox reaction.

**S36.** (a) and (c) are feasible

**S37.** Maximum oxidation state for Cl = +7

Minimum oxidation state for Cl = -1

Maximum oxidation state for Ti = +4

Minimum oxidation state for Ti = 0

For metals minimum O.N. is zero but for non-metals, it is group number minus 8.

**S38.** (a)  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $d$  are not redox reactions.

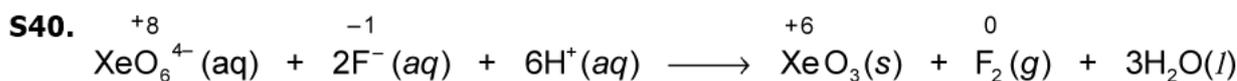
$c$  is a redox reaction. The oxidising agent is  $O_2$  and reducing agent is K.

**S39.** By conventional method, O.N. of N is :  $+1 + x + 4(-2) = 0$  or  $x = +7$ .

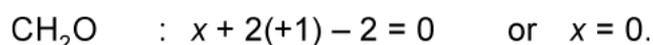
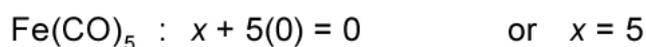
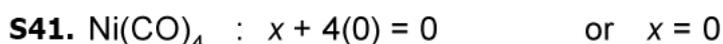
However, N cannot have O.N. more than + 5. Therefore O.N. of N in  $\text{HNO}_4$  (peroxynitric acid) must be calculated from structure. The structure of  $\text{HNO}_4$  is  $\text{H} - \text{O} - \text{O} - \text{N} \begin{matrix} \longrightarrow \text{O} \\ \parallel \\ \text{O} \end{matrix}$ .

It contains one peroxide linkage and therefore, each of the two atoms of peroxide bonds has an O.N. of  $-1$ .

Thus,  $+1 - 1 - 1 + x - 2 - 2 = 0$  or  $x = +5$ .



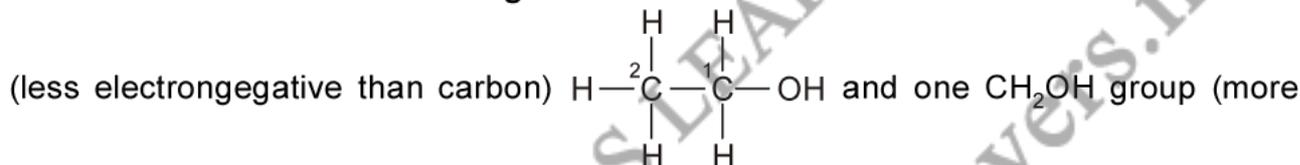
O.N. of Xe decreases from + 8 (in  $\text{XeO}_6^{4-}$ ) to + 6 (in  $\text{XeO}_3$ ) and that of F increases from  $-1$  (in  $\text{F}^-$ ) to 0 (in  $\text{F}_2$ ). Therefore,  $\text{XeO}_6^{4-}$  is reduced while  $\text{F}^-$  is oxidised. The reaction occurs because  $\text{Na}_4\text{XeO}_6$  (or  $\text{XeO}_6^{4-}$ ) is a stronger oxidising agent than  $\text{F}_2$ .



**S42.** (a) **Conventional Method:** The average oxidation number of carbon in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$  or  $\overset{x}{\text{C}_2}\overset{+1}{\text{H}_6}\overset{-2}{\text{O}}$  will be

$$2x + 6(+1) + 1(-2) = 0 \text{ or } x = -2.$$

On the basis of **chemical bonding method** as carbon C-2 is attached to three H-atoms



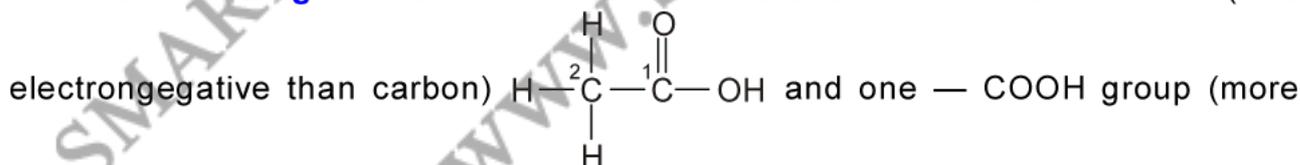
electronegative than carbon), therefore, O.N. of C-2 will be  $= 2(+1) + x + 1(-1) = 0$  or  $x = -2$ .

The carbon, C-1 is, however, attached to one OH group (O.N.  $-1$ ) and one  $\text{CH}_3$  group (O.N.  $= +1$ ), therefore, O.N. of C-1  $= +1 + 2(+1) + x + 1(-1) = 0$  or  $x = -2$ .

(b) **Conventional Method:** The oxidation number of carbon in  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$  or  $\overset{x}{\text{C}_2}\overset{+1}{\text{H}_4}\overset{-2}{\text{O}_2}$  will be

$$2x + 4 + 4 = 0 \text{ or } x = 0.$$

**Chemical bonding method:** The carbon C-2 is attached to three H-atoms (less

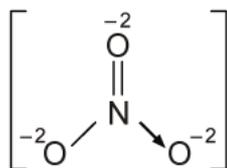


electronegative than carbon), therefore, O.N. of C-2  $= 3(+1) + x + 1(-1) = 0$  or  $x = -2$ .

C-1 is, however, attached to one oxygen atom by a double bond, one OH group (O.N.  $-1$ ) and one  $\text{CH}_3$  group (O.N.  $= +1$ ), therefore, O.N. of C-1  $= +1 + x + 1(-2) + 1(-1) = 0$  or  $x = 2$ .



According to *chemical bonding method*, the structure of nitrate ion is:



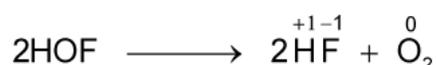
Hence the O.N. of nitrogen is,

$$x + 3(-2) = -1 \text{ or } x + 5.$$

Thus, the O.N. of N in  $\text{NO}_3^-$  whether one calculates by conventional method or by chemical bonding method is same.

- S45.** In the given reaction O.N. of  $\text{F}_2$  changes from zero to  $-1$  in HF and HOF whereas O.N. of oxygen change from  $-2$  in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to zero in HOF. Thus,  $\text{F}_2$  is reduced, whereas oxygen is oxidised and, therefore, it is a redox reaction.

HOF an highly unstable molecule and hence decomposes to form  $\text{O}_2$  and HF



If oxygen of HOF disproportionates, then in the disproportionation reaction oxygen must have three oxidation states. In simple words, the oxidation state of oxygen in one of the products should be lower than O in HOF whereas in the other product it should be higher. The oxidation state of oxygen is zero in HOF. It decrease its oxidation state to  $-2$  if HOF gets reduced to  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and also it can increase its oxidation state to  $+2$  if HOF gets oxidised to  $\text{OF}_2$ . Therefore, the possible reaction is:

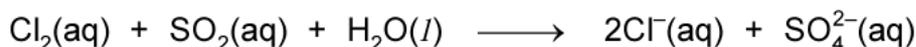


- S46.** Any substance can act as an oxidising or reducing agent if one of the elements in the given compound is present in its intermediate oxidation state. Thus, during the reaction it can either increase its O.N. (reducing agent) or decrease its O.N. (oxidising agent).
- In  $\text{SO}_2$ , ON of S is  $+4$ . In principle, S can have a minimum O.N. of  $-2$  and maximum of  $+6$ . Therefore, S in  $\text{SO}_2$  can either decrease or increase its O.N. and hence can act both as an oxidising as well as a reducing agent.
  - In  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ , the O.N. of O is  $-1$ . In principle, O can have a minimum O.N. of  $-2$  and maximum of zero ( $+2$  is possible only with  $\text{OF}_2$ ). Therefore, O in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  can either decrease its O.N. from  $-1$  to  $-2$  or can increase its O.N. from  $-1$  to zero. Therefore,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  acts both as an oxidising as well as a reducing agent.
  - In  $\text{O}_3$ , the O.N. of O is zero. It can only decrease its ON from zero to  $-1$  or  $-2$ , but cannot increase to  $+2$ . Therefore,  $\text{O}_3$  acts only as an oxidant.
  - In  $\text{HNO}_3$ , nitrogen atom is in its maximum oxidation state of  $+5$ . Therefore, it can only decrease its O.N. and hence can act as an oxidant only.

- S47.** The list of substance oxidised, reduced, etc., for the given reactions are tabulated below:

	Substance oxidised	Substance reduced	Oxidising agent	Reducing agent
(a)	HCHO(l)	Cu <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	Cu <sup>2+</sup> (aq)	HCHO(l)
(b)	N <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (l)	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (l)	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (l)	N <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (l)
(c)	Pb(s)	PbO <sub>2</sub> (s)	PbO <sub>2</sub> (s)	Pb(s)

**S48.** The Skeletal equation for the process would be:



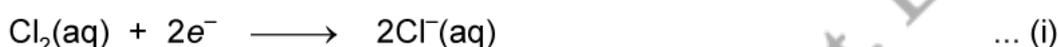
**Reduction half equation:**



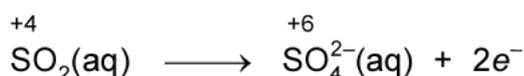
Balance Cl atoms,



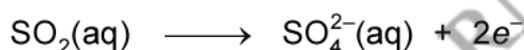
Balance O.N. by adding electrons,



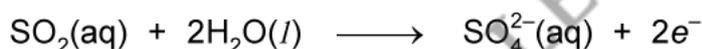
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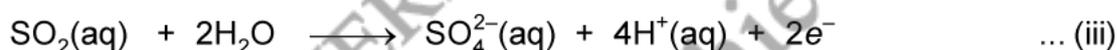
Balance O.N. by adding electrons,



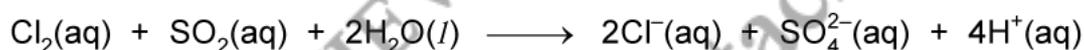
Balance O atoms by adding 2H<sub>2</sub>O,



Balance charge by adding H<sup>+</sup> ions:



Adding equation (i) and equation (ii), the balanced equation for the disproportionation reaction is,



- S49.** (a) Fluorine (F) being most electronegative element shows only a –ve oxidation state of –1.  
 (b) Cesium (Cs) is an highly electropositive alkali metal and has a single electron in the valence shell. Therefore it can exhibit an oxidation state of +1.  
 (c) Iodine (I) because of the presence of seven electrons in the valence shell, shows an oxidation state of –I and because of the presence of *d*-orbitals it also exhibits +ve oxidation states of +1, +3, +5 and +7.  
 (d) Neon (Ne) is an inert gas and hence it neither exhibits –ve nor +ve oxidation state.

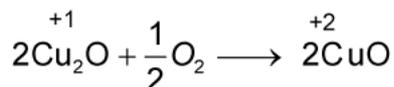
**S50.** In Cu<sub>2</sub>O, copper in +1(Cu<sup>+</sup>) oxidation state and it undergoes disproportionation to form Cu and Cu<sup>2+</sup> as :



Thus, Cu<sup>+</sup> or Cu<sub>2</sub>O acts both as an oxidant as well as a reductant.

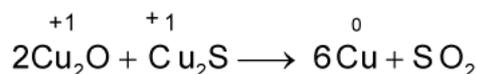
For example,

- (a) When heated in air,  $\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$  is oxidised to  $\text{CuO}$



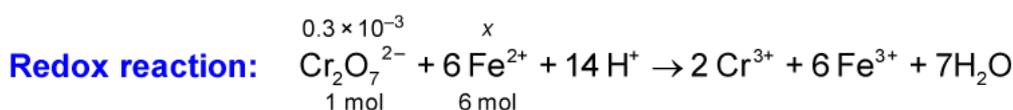
Thus,  $\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$  acts as a reductant and reduces  $\text{O}_2$  to  $\text{O}^{2-}$ .

- (b) When heated with  $\text{Cu}_2\text{S}$ , it oxidises  $\text{S}^{2-}$  to  $\text{SO}_2$  and hence  $\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$  acts as an oxidant.



**S51.** Amount of  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  in 15 mL of 0.02 M solution =  $0.02 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \times 15 \times 10^{-3} \text{ L}$   
=  $0.03 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

Let us suppose that the amount of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions in 10 mL of solution is  $x$ .



**Ratio proportion:**

$$\frac{x}{6 \text{ mol}} = \frac{0.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ mol}}$$
$$x = \frac{0.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \times 6 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ mol}} = 1.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

Amount of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ions in  $10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ L}$  (10 mL) of solution =  $1.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$

$$\text{Amount of Fe}^{2+} \text{ ions in 1 L of solution} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}}{10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ L}}$$

$$\text{Molarity} = 0.18 \text{ mol/L}$$



It is a decomposition reaction.

**Reason:** In this reaction a single substance breaks to give three different substances.



It is a disproportionation reaction.

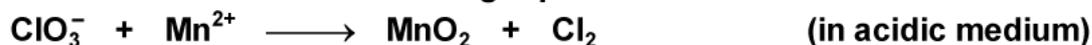
**Reason:** In this reaction  $\text{NO}_2$  (Oxidation number of N = + 4) disproportionates into  $\text{NO}_2^-$  (oxidation number of N = + 3) and  $\text{NO}_3^-$  (oxidation number of N = + 5) and



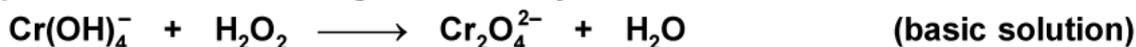
It is a combination reaction.

**Reason:** In this reaction two different pure substances react to give a single new substance.

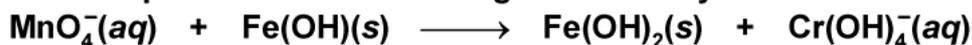
**Q1. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:**



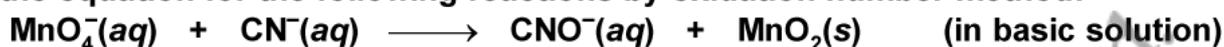
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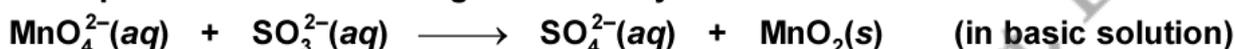
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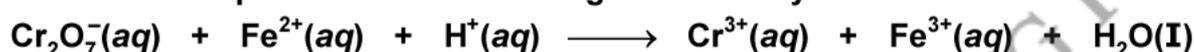
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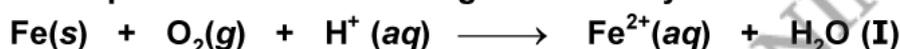
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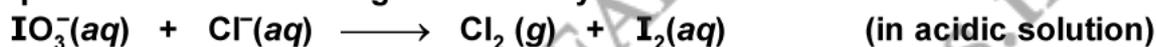
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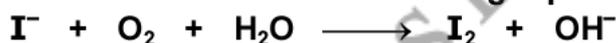
**Q7. Balance the equation for the following reactions by oxidation number method:**



**Q8. Balance the equation for the following reactions by oxidation number method:**



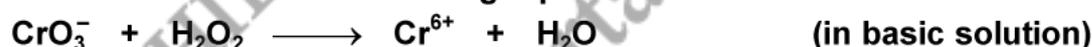
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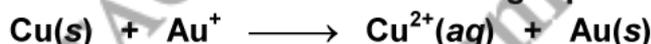
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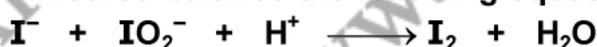
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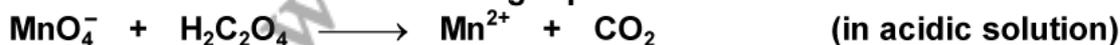
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**Q13. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:**



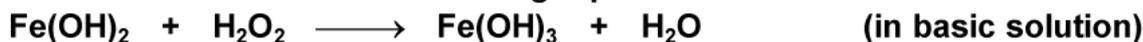
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**Q15. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:**



**Q16. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:**

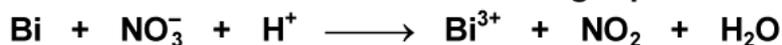


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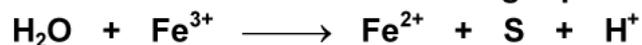


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Q18. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:

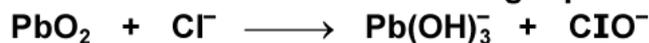


Q19. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:



(in basic solution)

Q20. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:



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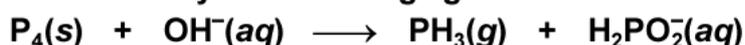
Q21. Using half reaction method balance the following equations:



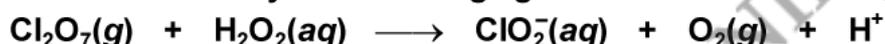
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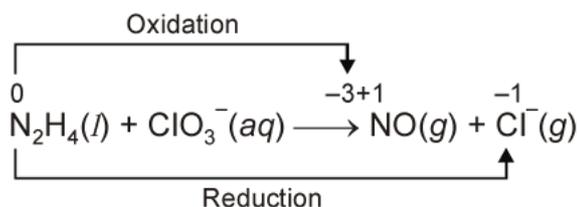
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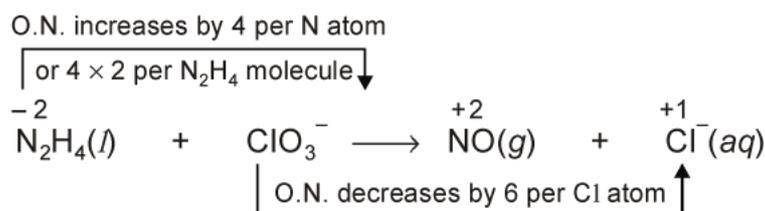
- S1.**  $5\text{Mn}^{2+} + 2\text{ClO}_3^- \longrightarrow 5\text{MnO}_2 + 8\text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}_2$
- S2.**  $2\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_4^- + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + 2\text{OH}^- \longrightarrow 2\text{CrO}_4^{2-} + 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- S3.**  $\text{CrO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq}) + 3\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2(\text{s}) \longrightarrow \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3(\text{s}) + \text{Cr}(\text{OH})_4^-(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-$
- S4.**  $2\text{MnO}_4^- + 3\text{CN}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow 2\text{MnO}_2 + 3\text{CNO}^- + 2\text{OH}^-$
- S5.**  $\text{MnO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq}) + \text{SO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{MnO}_2 + 2\text{OH}^-$
- S6.**  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}(\text{aq}) + 6\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 14\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 6\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- S7.**  $2\text{Fe}(\text{s}) + \text{O}_2(\text{g}) + \text{H}^+(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow 2\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
- S8.**  $\text{IO}_3^-(\text{aq}) + 10\text{Cl}^-(\text{aq}) + 12\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow \text{I}_2(\text{ag}) + 5\text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$
- S9.**  $4\text{I}^- + \text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow 2\text{I}_2 + 4\text{OH}^-$
- S10.**  $5\text{HNO}_2 + 2\text{MnO}_4^- + \text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 5\text{NO}_3^- + 2\text{Mn}^{2+} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- S11.**  $2\text{CrO}_3 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \longrightarrow 2\text{Cr}^{6+} + 14\text{OH}^-$
- S12.**  $\text{Cu}(\text{s}) + 2\text{Au}^+(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow \text{Au}(\text{s}) + \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})$
- S13.**  $10\text{I}^- + 2\text{IO}_3 + 12\text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 6\text{I}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- S14.**  $5\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 + 2\text{MnO}_4^- + 6\text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 10\text{CO}_2 + \text{Mn}^{2+} + 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- S15.**  $8\text{Al} + \text{NO}_3^- \longrightarrow 5\text{OH}^- + 2\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$
- S16.**  $2\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \longrightarrow 2\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$
- S17.**  $2\text{I}^- + 3\text{NO}_3^- + 5\text{OH}^- + 18\text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow 8\text{Al}(\text{OH})_4^- + 3\text{NH}_3$
- S18.**  $\text{Bi} + 3\text{NO}_3^- + 6\text{H}^+ \longrightarrow \text{Bi}^{3+} + 3\text{NO}_2 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- S19.**  $\text{H}_2\text{S} + 2\text{Fe}^{3+} \longrightarrow 2\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{S} + \text{H}^+$
- S20.**  $\text{Cl}^- + \text{PbO}_2 + 2\text{H}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{ClO}^- + \text{Pb}(\text{OH})_3^-$
- S21.**  $\text{Cu} + 2\text{NO}_3^- + 4\text{H}^+ \longrightarrow 2\text{NO}_2 + 2\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{Cu}^{2+}$

S22.

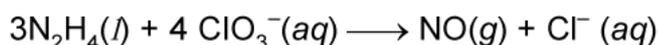


In the reaction,  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$  gets oxidised and acts as a reducing agent and  $\text{ClO}_3^-$  gets reduced and acts as an oxidising agent.

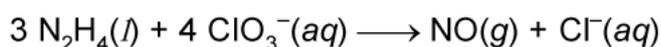
### Oxidation number method



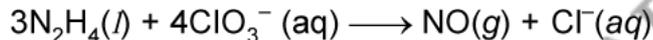
To balance the increase or decrease in oxidation number, multiply  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$  by 3 and  $\text{ClO}_3^-$  by 4 and add



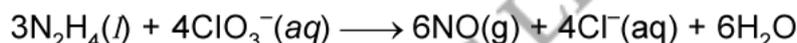
Balance N and Cl atoms on R.H.S.



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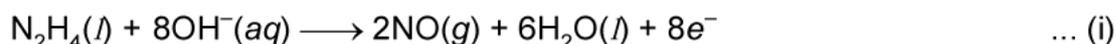
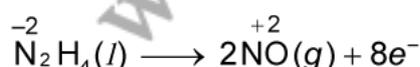
Since H atoms are balanced automatically, the above equation represents balanced chemical equation.

### Ion electron method

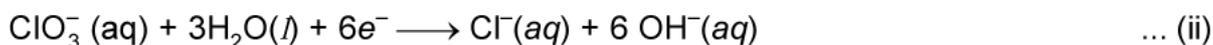
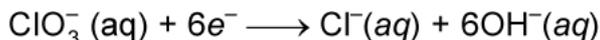
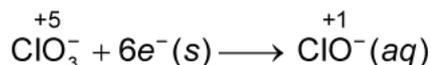


These can be balanced separately as:

### Oxidation half reaction:



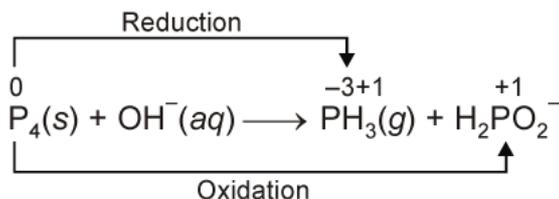
### Reduction half reaction:



To balance electrons, multiply eq (i) by 3 and eq (ii) by 4

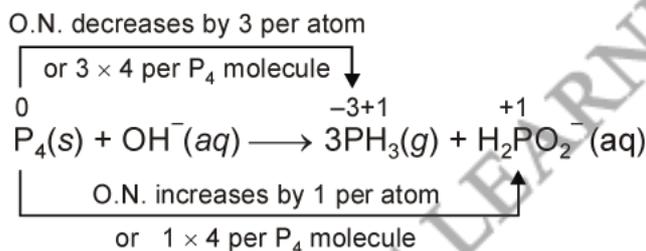


S23.



$\text{P}_4$  gets oxidised to  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_2^-$  and reduced to  $\text{PH}_3$  and therefore,  $\text{P}_4$  acts as reducing agent as well as oxidising agent.

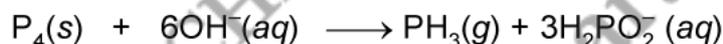
### Oxidation number method



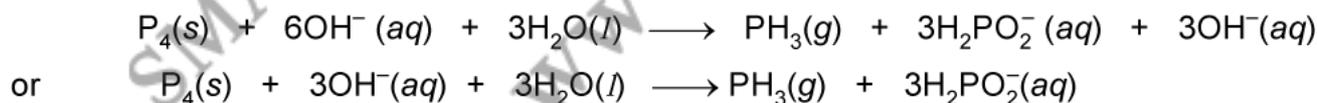
Balance the increase or decrease in oxidation number by multiplying  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_2^-$  by 3 and  $\text{PH}_3$  by 1.



To balance O atoms, multiply  $\text{OH}^-$  by 6,



To balance H atoms, add 3  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to L.H.S. and 3 $\text{OH}^-$  on R.H.S, we have



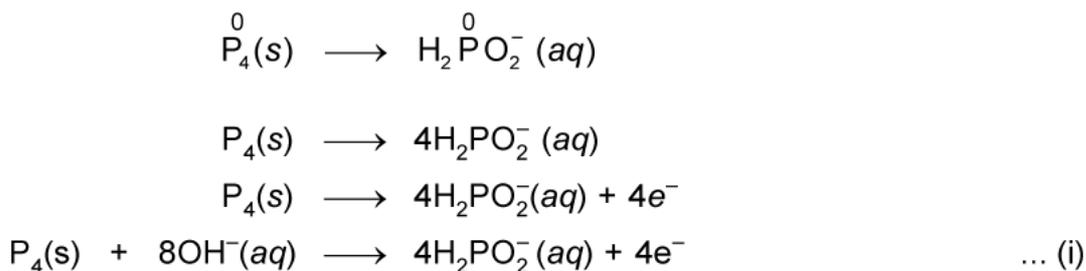
### Ion electron method

The equation can be split up as

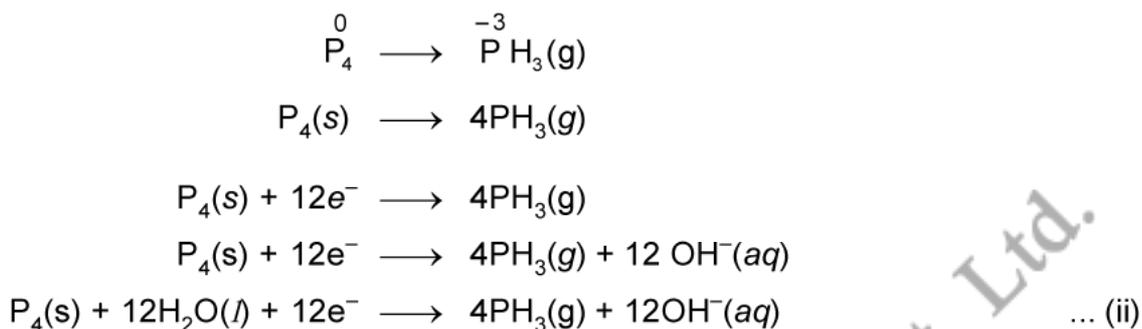


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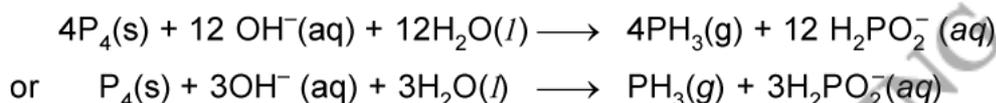
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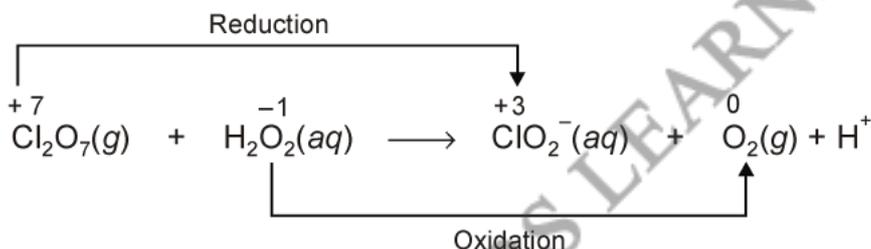
### Reducing half reaction



To balance electrons, multiply eq. (i) by 3 and add to eq. (ii).

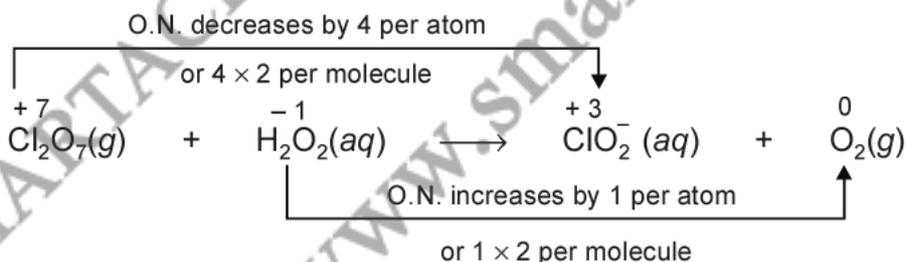


S24.



In this reaction,  $\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$  gets reduced acts as an oxidising agent while  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  gets oxidise and acts as a reducing agent.

### Oxidation number method



To balance the increase decrease in oxidation number multiply  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  by 4 and add



Balance Cl atoms and  $\text{O}_2$



To balance Cl multiply  $\text{ClO}_2^-$  by 2.



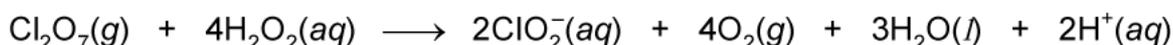
To balance O atoms, add  $3\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules on R.H.S.



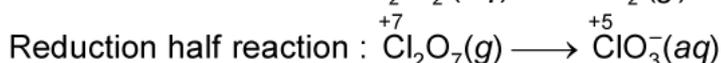
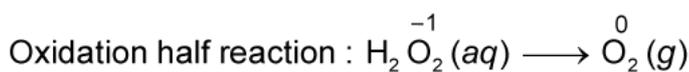
To balance O atoms, add  $3\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules on R.H.S.



To balance H atoms, add  $2\text{H}^+$  on R.H.S. since the medium is acidic

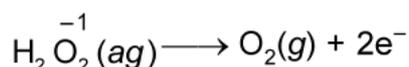


### Ion electron method

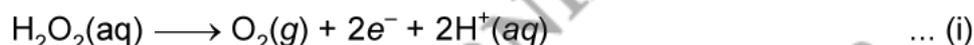


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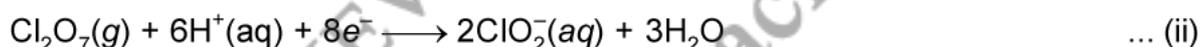
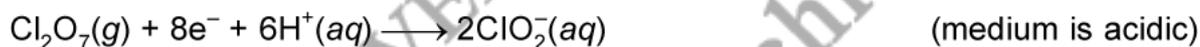
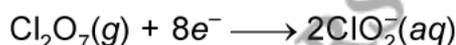
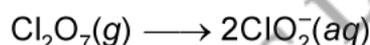
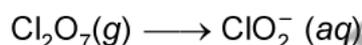
### Oxidation half reaction



Since the reaction occurs in acidic medium add  $2\text{H}^+$  on R.H.S. to equate charge,



Reduction half reaction



To balance electrons multiply eq.(i) by 4 and add to eq (ii)

