Exercise 9.5

Nonstandard Potential for Electrochemical Cells: The Nernst Equation!

1. Calculate the potential for the following electrochemical cell operating at 1 bar pressure and 298.15 K:

 $Mn_{(s)} | Mn_{(aq)}^{2+}(0.0375 M) | | Pb_{(aq)}^{2+}(0.0125 M) | Pb_{(s)}$

2. The following electrochemical cell is observed to have a potential of +0.3696 V. Calculate the standard reduction potential of $Cu_{(aq)}^{2+}$.

 $Cu_{(s)}|Cu_{(aq)}^{2+}(0.067 M)||Ag_{(aq)}^{+}(0.0084 M)|Ag_{(s)}||$

- 3. Consider the following electrochemical cell operating at 1 bar pressure and 298.15 K: $Zn_{(s)} |Zn_{(aq)}^{2+}(0.024 M)| |Zn_{(aq)}^{2+}(0.042 M)| Zn_{(s)}$
- (a) Without performing any calculations, would you expect this cell to have a standard potential that is positive, negative or zero? Why?
- (b) Without performing any calculations, would you expect this cell to have a potential that is positive, negative or zero? Why?

(c) Calculate the potential for this electrochemical cell.