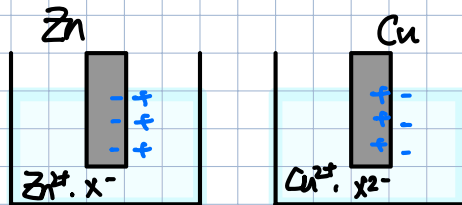


5. Standard electrode potential & Formal potential

1) Review

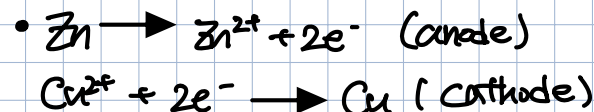
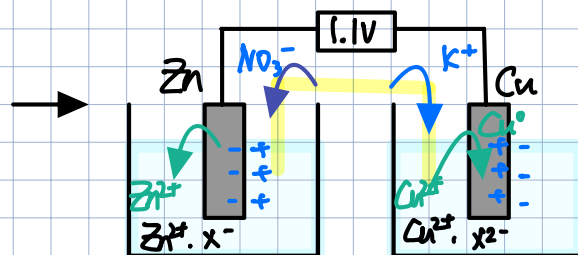
→ General form of Nernst potential → { half cell + half cell?
Answer: Yes!

2) Salt bridge & standard electrode potential



→ Can we measure the each half cell's potential?

∴ not 2nd half cell alone!

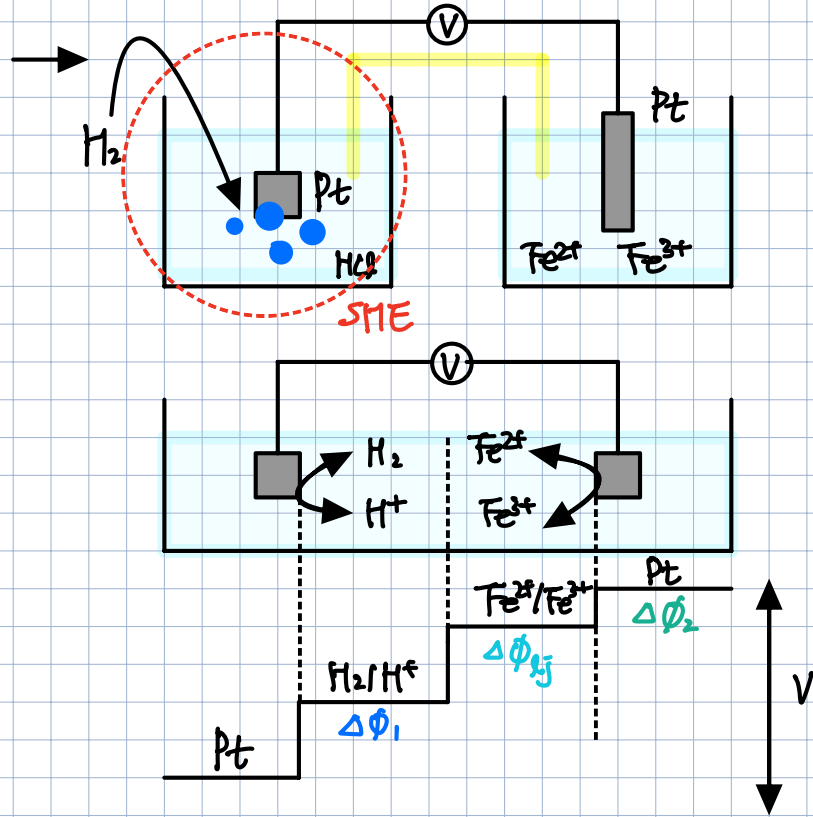


• cell notation: $\text{Zn} | \text{Zn}^{2+} || \text{Cu}^{2+} | \text{Cu}$

↳ $|$: phase boundary, $||$: overall cell potential / overall phase boundary (∴ $\text{Zn}^{2+} | \text{Cu}^{2+}$)

↳ salt bridge: to maintain electrical neutrality
(saturated KCl , KNO_3 , ...)

→ standard cell potential: standard hydrogen electrode (SHE) : $\text{Pt} | \text{H}_2 / \text{H}^+$ half cell
= Normal hydrogen electrode (NHE)



- $$V = \Delta\phi_1 + \Delta\phi_{ij} + \Delta\phi_2$$

$$= \Delta\phi(\text{Pt} | \text{H}_2, \text{H}^+) + \Delta\phi_{ij} + \Delta\phi(\text{Pt} | \text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Fe}^{3+})$$

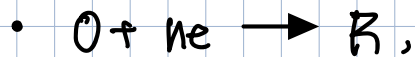
$$\equiv 0 \quad (\because \text{SHE})$$

$$= \Delta\phi(\text{Pt} | \text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Fe}^{3+}) \quad (\text{vs. NHE})$$

- $$V = \Delta\phi(\text{Pt} | \text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Fe}^{3+})$$

$$= \Delta\phi^\circ(\text{Pt} | \text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Fe}^{3+}) + \frac{RT}{F} \ln \frac{a_{\text{Fe}^{3+}}}{a_{\text{Fe}^{2+}}}$$

③ Formal potential



$$E = E^\circ + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{a_O}{a_R} = E^\circ - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{a_R}{a_O}$$

$\searrow a_i = \gamma_i \frac{C_i}{C^\circ}$

$$= E^\circ + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{\gamma_O C_O}{\gamma_R C_R} = E^\circ + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{\gamma_O}{\gamma_R} + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{C_O}{C_R} = E^{\circ'} + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{C_O}{C_R}$$

$E^{\circ'}$ is labeled as **formal potential**

$$\therefore E_q = E^{\circ'} + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{C_O}{C_R} \quad \left(= E^\circ - \frac{0.059}{n} \log \frac{C_R}{C_O} \right)$$

(이때, $\gamma_O \approx \gamma_R$ 이면 $\frac{RT}{nF} \ln \frac{\gamma_O}{\gamma_R} \approx 0$, $\therefore E^{\circ'} \approx E^\circ$)