

# Electrochemistry |

Below is a summary of important **formulae, terms, expressions, and units** in Electrochemistry:

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## Key Formulae and Expressions:

### 1. Ohm's Law (Electricity Basics):

- $V = I \times R$
- $V$ : Voltage (Volts),  $I$ : Current (Amperes),  $R$ : Resistance (Ohms,  $\Omega$ ).

### 2. Electrolysis (Faraday's Laws):

- $m = \frac{Z \cdot I \cdot t}{F}$
- $m$ : Mass of substance (grams),  $Z$ : Electrochemical equivalent,  $I$ : Current (Amperes),  $t$ : Time (seconds),  $F$ : Faraday's constant (96485 C/mol).

### 3. Nernst Equation (Electrode Potential):

- $E = E^\circ - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln Q$
- $E$ : Electrode potential,  $E^\circ$ : Standard electrode potential,  $R$ : Gas constant (8.314 J/mol·K),  $T$ : Temperature (Kelvin),  $n$ : Number of electrons,  $Q$ : Reaction quotient.

### 4. Gibbs Free Energy and Cell Potential:

- $\Delta G = -nF E_{\text{cell}}$
- $\Delta G$ : Gibbs free energy (Joules),  $E_{\text{cell}}$ : Cell potential.

### 5. Conductivity ( $\kappa$ ) and Resistance ( $R$ ):

- $R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$ ,  $\kappa = \frac{1}{\rho}$
- $\rho$ : Resistivity ( $\Omega \cdot m$ ),  $\kappa$ : Conductivity (S/m),  $L$ : Length (m),  $A$ : Cross-sectional area ( $m^2$ ).

### 6. Kohlrausch's Law:

- $\Lambda_m = \Lambda_m^\circ - Kc^{1/2}$
- $\Lambda_m$ : Molar conductivity,  $\Lambda_m^\circ$ : Limiting molar conductivity,  $K$ : Constant,  $c$ : Concentration.

### 7. Electrochemical Cell Potential:

- $E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{cathode}} - E_{\text{anode}}$

### 8. Debye-Hückel Limiting Law (Ionic Strength):

- $\log \gamma = -\frac{Az^2\sqrt{I}}{1+aB\sqrt{I}}$
- $\gamma$ : Activity coefficient,  $I$ : Ionic strength.

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## Key Terms:

1. **Electrolyte**: Substance that conducts electricity in molten or aqueous state.
2. **Electrode Potential**: Tendency of an electrode to gain or lose electrons.
3. **Standard Electrode Potential ( $E^\circ$ )**: Potential of an electrode measured under standard conditions.
4. **Cell Potential ( $E_{\text{cell}}$ )**: Potential difference between the two electrodes of a galvanic cell.

5. **Conductivity ( $\kappa$ ):** Ability of a solution to conduct electricity.
  6. **Resistance ( $R$ ):** Opposition to the flow of electric current.
  7. **Equivalent Conductivity ( $\Lambda$ ):** Conductivity for one gram equivalent of electrolyte.
  8. **Overpotential:** Additional voltage required beyond theoretical value for a reaction.
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### Important Units:

1. **Faraday's Constant ( $F$ ):** 96485 C/mol
  2. **Gas Constant ( $R$ ):** 8.314 J/mol  $\cdot$  K
  3. **Voltage ( $V$ ):** Volt (V)
  4. **Current ( $I$ ):** Ampere (A)
  5. **Resistance ( $R$ ):** Ohm ( $\Omega$ )
  6. **Conductivity ( $\kappa$ ):** Siemens per meter (S/m)
  7. **Energy ( $\Delta G$ ):** Joule (J)
  8. **Concentration:** Molarity (mol/L)
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