

(14.2) What fraction of neptunium is in the +4 state in a 0.1 M $\text{Fe}(\text{SO}_4)_2$ solution of acidity 1 M H^+ , assuming an initial $\text{Np}(\text{V})$ concentration of 9.4 mM ?

Use $E = E^0 - (RT/nF)\ln(\text{ox/red})$ for both Np and Fe and put both E :s equal.

First some constants and given values:

$$R := 8.31451 \cdot \text{joule} \cdot \text{mole}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \quad q_e := 1.6021773 \cdot 10^{-19} \cdot \text{coul} \quad N_A := 6.022137 \cdot 10^{23} \cdot \text{mole}^{-1}$$

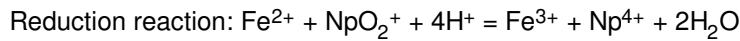
$$F := q_e \cdot N_A \quad n := 1 \quad T := (25 + 273.15) \cdot \text{K}$$

$$E_{0\text{Np}} := 739 \cdot \text{mV} \quad \text{In 1 M HClO}_4, \text{ from Handbook of Chem. and Phys., 62nd Ed.}$$

$$C_{\text{Np}} := 9.4 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot \text{mole} \cdot \text{liter}^{-1} \quad E_{\text{Np}}(X_{\text{Np}}) := E_{0\text{Np}} - \frac{R \cdot T}{n \cdot F} \cdot \ln(X_{\text{Np}}) \quad X_{\text{Np}} = (\text{Np})_{\text{ox}} / (\text{Np})_{\text{red}}$$

$$E_{0\text{Fe}} := 747 \cdot \text{mV} \quad \text{In 1 M HClO}_4, \text{ from Handbook of Chem. and Phys., 62nd Ed.}$$

$$C_{\text{Fe}} := 0.1 \cdot \text{mole} \cdot \text{liter}^{-1} \quad E_{\text{Fe}}(X_{\text{Fe}}) := E_{0\text{Fe}} - \frac{R \cdot T}{n \cdot F} \cdot \ln(X_{\text{Fe}}) \quad X_{\text{Fe}} = (\text{Fe})_{\text{ox}} / (\text{Fe})_{\text{red}}$$

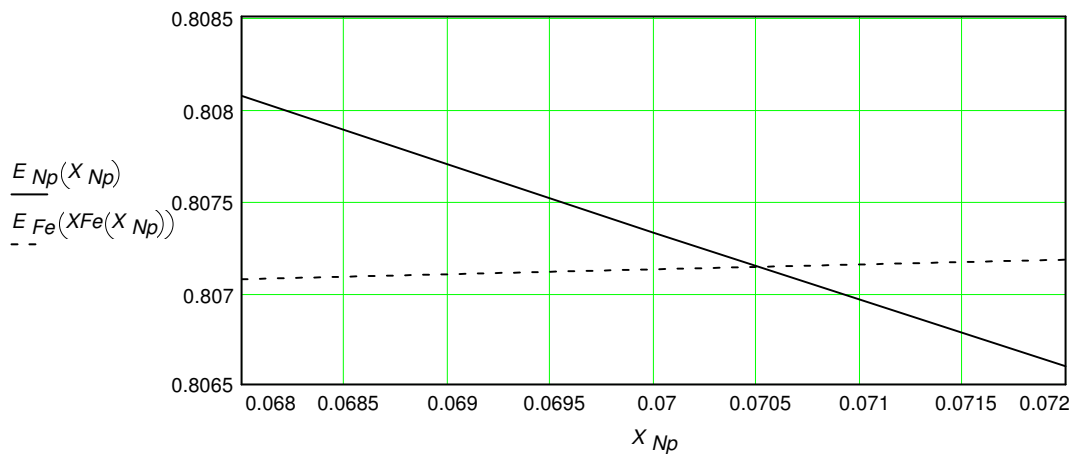


This gives the requirement that concentrations of Fe^{3+} and Np^{4+} should be equal.

$$X_{\text{Np}} := 0.068, 0.070 \dots 0.072 \quad C_{\text{Np}4}(X_{\text{Np}}) := \frac{C_{\text{Np}}}{1 + X_{\text{Np}}}$$

$$C_{\text{Fe}3}(X_{\text{Np}}) := C_{\text{Np}4}(X_{\text{Np}}) \quad C_{\text{Fe}2}(X_{\text{Np}}) := C_{\text{Fe}} - C_{\text{Fe}3}(X_{\text{Np}})$$

$$X_{\text{Fe}}(X_{\text{Np}}) := \frac{C_{\text{Fe}3}(X_{\text{Np}})}{C_{\text{Fe}2}(X_{\text{Np}})}$$



$$\frac{1}{0.0715} = 0.9341 \quad \text{Answer 93\%}$$

1 + 0.0705