

CHEM 1154: PROBLEM SET ZERO

(All calculations can be done without the use of calculator!)

A. Dealing with powers of ten.

1. $(2 \times 10^{89})/(0.010)^2 =$
2. $[(5 \times 10^{-55}) \times (4 \times 10^{23})] / [(0.0010)^4(2 \times 10^5) =$
3. $(3 \times 10^{-3})^3 / (5 \times 10^{10}) =$
4. $(3 \times 10^{-5}) / (5.0 \times 0.20) =$
5. $(450 \times 10^3) / (5.0 \times 10^{-3}) =$

B. Dealing with ln and log.

You have to be able to go from one to the other by making use of the relationship: $2.3 \log x \cong \ln x$

We also need to know the log of the following simple numbers:

$\log 2 = 0.30$	$\log 3 = 0.48$	$\log 4 = 0.60$	$\log 5 = 0.70$
$\log 6 = 0.78$	$\log 7 = 0.85$	$\log 8 = 0.90$	$\log 9 = 0.96$

If you know the log of 2,3,7 you can derive the log of the other five numbers by simply using the property of logs stated below:

$$\log(a \times b) = \log a + \log b$$

6. $\log 2 \times 10^{-4} =$
7. $\log 5 \times 10^{-6} =$
8. $\log 2.4 =$
9. $\log 1.5 =$
10. $1 \times 10^6 = e^x$ calculate the approximate value of x
11. $2 \times 10^{-4} = 500e^x$ calculate the approximate value of x

C. Common constants encountered in calculations.

There are certain constants which are commonly encountered in chemical calculations in this course for example:

$$1 \text{ Faraday} = 96485 \text{ Coulombs} \cong 1 \times 10^5 \text{ Coulombs}$$

$$R = 8.314 \text{ J/mol-K} = 0.082057 \text{ L-atm/mol-K}$$

Often the gas constant is multiplied by some temperature and therefore we can make good estimates of these values, for example:

$$8.314 \times 298 \cong 2.5 \times 10^3 \quad \text{and} \quad 0.082057 \times 298 \cong 25$$

For all of the following questions you are only calculating approximate values to only one significant figure since these are to be done without calculators.

12. $0.082057 \times 1200 \cong$
13. $8.314 \times 1200 \cong$
14. $0.082057 \times 600 \cong$

15. $0.05916/3 \cong$
16. $-4.5 \times 10^3 = -(5)(96485)\epsilon^\circ$; what is the value of ϵ° ?
17. $1.50 \times 10^5(400 - 300)/(8.314 \times 400 \times 300) =$
18. $\ln(x/0.8) = (23 \times 10^3)(100)/[8.314 \times 400 \times 300]$; solve for x

19. $1 \times 10^6 = e^{x/(8.314 \times 300)}$; solve for x

20. $\ln(x/1 \times 10^{20}) = [(-46000)(398 - 298)]/[8.314 \times 298 \times 398]$; solve for x

21. $4.3 \times 10^{-18} = 27 x^4$; solve for x

22. $1.2 \times 10^{-17} = (1.2 \times 10^{-3})[\text{OH}^-]^2$; solve for $[\text{OH}^-]$