


The Mole: A Measurement of Matter 

Mole/Mass Conversions 

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The Mole: A Measurement of Matter

What is a Mole?

Name some things that we 'count' in groups, or that a specific number represents one unit?

Chemists use a specific number to represent things.

A '**mole**' of any substance contains  **$6.02 \times 10^{23}$**  representative particles.

Converting Number of Particles to Moles

1 mol =  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  particles is the basis of the conversion factor

EXAMPLE:

How many moles of magnesium is  $1.25 \times 10^{23}$  atoms?

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ mol of Mg} = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ particles} \\ x \text{ mol of Mg} = 1.25 \times 10^{23} \text{ particles} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23}}{1.25 \times 10^{23}}$$

$$(6.02 \times 10^{23}) x = 1.25 \times 10^{23}$$

$$x = \frac{1.25 \times 10^{23}}{6.02 \times 10^{23}} \longrightarrow 0.208 \text{ mol}$$

## Converting Moles to Number of Particles

EXAMPLE:

Propane gas is used for heating and cooking. How many **atoms** are in 2.12mol of propane ( $C_3H_8$ )

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ mol of propane} = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ particles} \\ 2.12 \text{ mol of propane} = x \text{ particles} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{2.12} = \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23}}{x}$$

$$x = (6.02 \times 10^{23})(2.12)$$

$1.27624 \times 10^{24}$  particles of propane

but 1 particle of propane has 11 atoms therefore,

$$(1.27624 \times 10^{24})(11) \longrightarrow 1.40 \times 10^{25} \text{ atoms}$$

## Mass of A Mole of a Substance

- The molar mass of a substance is the sum of the molar masses of each element in that substance.

The atomic mass in amu of any element is it's molar mass in grams.

EXAMPLE:

- molar mass of glucose  $C_6H_{12}O_6$

$$6 \times \text{the molar mass of C} = (6)(12\text{amu}) = 72\text{g}$$

$$12 \times \text{the molar mass of H} = (12)(1\text{amu}) = 12\text{g}$$

$$6 \times \text{the molar mass of O} = (6)(16\text{amu}) = 96\text{g}$$

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$$\text{Total} = 180\text{g}$$

$\therefore$  1 mole of glucose has a mass of 180g

$6.02 \times 10^{23}$  particles glucose has a mass of 180g

## Converting Moles to Mass

The aluminum satellite dishes in Figure 10.8 are resistant to corrosion because the aluminum reacts with oxygen in the air to form a coating of aluminum oxide ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ). This tough, resistant coating prevents any further corrosion. What is the mass of 9.45 mol of aluminum oxide?

Known 1 mole of  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$

$$\text{Al} = 26.98 \times 2 = 53.96\text{g}$$

$$\text{O} = 15.99 \times 3 = 47.97\text{g}$$

$$101.93\text{g}$$

$$\frac{9.45 \text{ mol} \cancel{\text{}}}{1 \cancel{\text{ mol}}} \times \frac{101.93 \text{ g}}{\cancel{\text{ mol}}} = ? \text{ g}$$

therefore,

$$1 \text{ mol} = 101.93\text{g}$$

$$9.45 \text{ mol} = \quad \times \text{g}$$

$$= 963.24 \text{ g}$$

cross multiplying,

$$x \text{ g} = (9.45)(101.93) = 963.24\text{g}$$

**16.** Find the mass, in grams, of  $4.52 \times 10^{-3}$  mol  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{42}$ .

**17.** Calculate the mass, in grams, of 2.50 mol of iron(II) hydroxide.

## Converting Mass to Moles

When iron is exposed to air, it corrodes to form red-brown rust. Rust is iron(III) oxide ( $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ). How many moles of iron(III) oxide are contained in 92.2 g of pure  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ?

Known

1 mole of  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$

$$\text{Fe} = 55.85 \times 2 = 111.7\text{g}$$

$$\text{O} = 15.99 \times 3 = 47.97\text{g}$$

$$159.67\text{g}$$

Method 1

$$1 \text{ mol} = 159.67\text{g}$$

$$x \text{ mol} = 92.2\text{g}$$

Cross Multiply,

$$(92.2) = (159.67)(x)$$

$$\frac{92.2}{159.67} = x = 0.58 \text{ mol}$$

Method 2

$$\frac{92.2 \cancel{\text{g}}}{159.67 \cancel{\text{g}}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{\cancel{\text{mol}}} =$$

$$\frac{92.2}{159.67} = 0.58 \text{ mol}$$

**18.** Find the number of moles in  $3.70 \times 10^{-1}$  g of boron.

**19.** Calculate the number of moles in 75.0 g of dinitrogen trioxide.

## Moles/Volume Conversions

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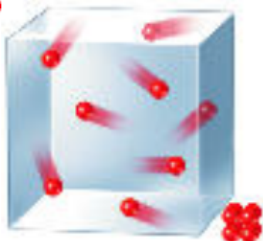
### Avogadro's Hypothesis

- equal volumes of gases at the same temperature and pressure will contain equal number of particles

### Standard Temperature & Pressure (STP)

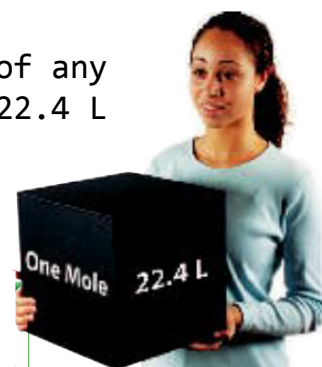
- temperature of 0°C
- pressure of 101.3kPa (1 atmosphere=1atm)

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At STP, 1 mol ( $6.02 \times 10^{23}$ ) representative particles, of any gas, occupies a volume of 22.4 L

Often called the 'molar volume' of a gas.



## Calculating the Volume of a Gas at STP

Sulfur dioxide ( $\text{SO}_2$ ) is a gas produced by burning coal. It is an air pollutant and one of the causes of acid rain. Determine the volume, in liters, of 0.60 mol  $\text{SO}_2$  gas at STP.

$$\begin{aligned} 1\text{mol} &= 22.4\text{L} \\ 0.60\text{mol} &= X\text{L} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{0.60\cancel{\text{mol}}}{1\cancel{\text{mol}}} \times \frac{22.4\text{L}}{1\cancel{\text{mol}}} = 13\text{L}$$

$$X = (0.60)(22.4) = 13\text{L}$$

**20.** What is the volume of these gases at STP?

- $3.20 \times 10^{-3}$  mol  $\text{CO}_2$
- 3.70 mol  $\text{N}_2$

**21.** At STP, what volume do these gases occupy?

- 1.25 mol He
- 0.335 mol  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$

### Calculating Molar Mass from Density

- the density of gases are usually measured in grams/L (g/L) at a specific temperature.

### Calculating the Molar Mass of a Gas at STP

The density of a gaseous compound containing carbon and oxygen is found to be 1.964 g/L at STP. What is the molar mass of the compound?

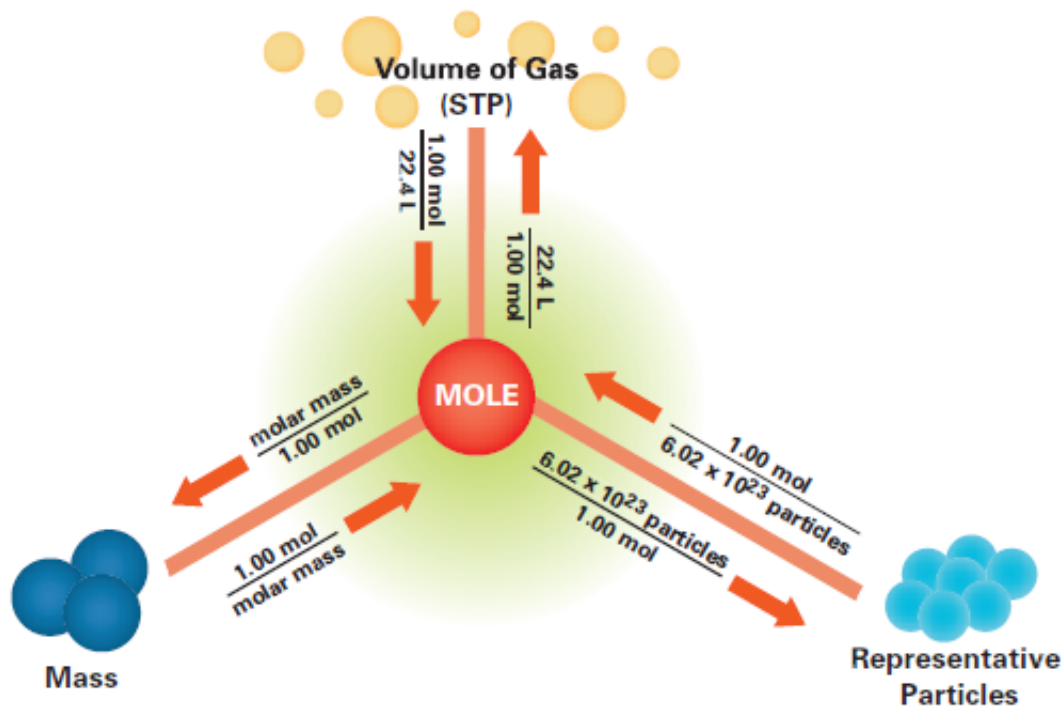
#### Knowns

- density = 1.964 g/L
- 1 mol (gas at STP) = 22.4 L

$$\begin{aligned} 1.964\text{g} &= 1\text{L} \\ \times &= 22.4\text{L} \\ \hline \therefore x &= (22.4)(1.964) \\ &= 43.994\text{g/mol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1.964\text{g}}{1\cancel{\text{L}}} \times \frac{22.4\cancel{\text{L}}}{1\text{mol}} = 43.994\text{g/mol}$$

22. A gaseous compound composed of sulfur and oxygen, which is linked to the formation of acid rain, has a density of 3.58 g/L at STP. What is the molar mass of this gas?
23. What is the density of krypton gas at STP?



## Percent Composition and Chemical Formula

- the percent by mass of an element in a compound is the number of grams of the element divided by the mass in grams of the compound multiplied by 100%

$$\% \text{ mass of element} = \frac{\text{mass of element}}{\text{mass of compound}} \times 100\%$$

### Calculating Percent Composition from Mass Data

When a 13.60-g sample of a compound containing only magnesium and oxygen is decomposed, 5.40 g of oxygen is obtained. What is the percent composition of this compound?

#### Knowns

- mass of compound = 13.60 g
- mass of oxygen = 5.40 g O
- mass of magnesium =  
 $13.60 \text{ g} - 5.40 \text{ g} = 8.20 \text{ g Mg}$

#### Unknowns

- percent Mg = ? % Mg
- percent O = ? % O

$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{ Mg} &= \frac{\text{mass of Mg}}{\text{mass of compound}} \times 100\% = \frac{8.20 \text{ g}}{13.60 \text{ g}} \times 100\% \\ &= 60.3\% \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{ O} &= \frac{\text{mass of O}}{\text{mass of compound}} \times 100\% = \frac{5.40 \text{ g}}{13.60 \text{ g}} \times 100\% \\ &= 39.7\% \end{aligned}$$

## Practice

- 32.** A compound is formed when 9.03 g Mg combines completely with 3.48 g N. What is the percent composition of this compound?
- 33.** When a 14.2-g sample of mercury(II) oxide is decomposed into its elements by heating, 13.2 g Hg is obtained. What is the percent composition of the compound?

### Percent Composition from the Chemical Formula

- using the masses of the individual elements in 1 mol of a compound, you can determine the %composition

$$\% \text{ mass} = \frac{\text{mass of element in 1 mol compound}}{\text{molar mass of compound}} \times 100\%$$

## Calculating Percent Composition from a Formula

Propane ( $C_3H_8$ ), the fuel commonly used in gas grills, is one of the compounds obtained from petroleum. Calculate the percent composition of propane.

### Knowns

- mass of C in 1 mol  $C_3H_8 = 36.0$  g
- mass of H in 1 mol  $C_3H_8 = 8.0$  g
- molar mass of  $C_3H_8 = 44.0$  g/mol

### Unknowns

- percent C = ? % C
- percent H = ? % H

$$\% \text{ C} = \frac{\text{mass of C}}{\text{mass of propane}} \times 100\% = \frac{36.0 \text{ g}}{44.0 \text{ g}} \times 100\% = 81.8\%$$

$$\% \text{ H} = \frac{\text{mass of H}}{\text{mass of propane}} \times 100\% = \frac{8.0 \text{ g}}{44.0 \text{ g}} \times 100\% = 18\%$$

## Practice

- 34.** Calculate the percent composition of these compounds.
- ethane ( $C_2H_6$ )
  - sodium hydrogen sulfate ( $NaHSO_4$ )
- 35.** Calculate the percent nitrogen in these common fertilizers.
- $NH_3$
  - $NH_4NO_3$



## Using % Composition as a Conversion Factor

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- recall in a previous problem that a sample of propane consisted of 82% C and 18% H
- this means that in any 100g sample, there is 82g of C and 18g of H

### EXAMPLE

How many grams of C is there in a 73g sample of propane? How many grams of H is there?

### SOLUTION

82% of the 73g sample is C

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$$\frac{82}{100} \times 73 = 59.9\text{g C}$$

If there is 59.9g of C the remainder must be H and therefore there is

$$73 - 59.9 = 13.1\text{g H}$$