

UNIT 5: MOLES & STOICHIOMETRY

VOCABULARY:

1. Mole
2. Formula mass (FM)
3. Gram formula mass (GFM)
4. Coefficient
5. Subscript
6. Species
7. Law of conservation of mass
8. Law of conservation of energy
9. Balanced equation
10. Synthesis reaction
11. Decomposition reaction
12. Single-replacement reaction
13. Double-replacement reaction
14. Molecular formula
15. Empirical formula
16. Percent mass



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INTRODUCTION:

Before we can even begin to understand what this unit is about, we need to be able to find the mass of different compounds. Open your Periodic Table and we'll get started...

- First, what are the units we use for the mass atoms?

ATOMIC MASS UNITS (amu) → $\frac{1}{12}$ of the mass of C-12 atom

- What is the mass of one atom of oxygen?

15.9994 amu

- Why don't we use grams as the units for massing atoms? Atoms are too **SMALL**—the number would be **VERY BULKY**

Ex: If we used grams to mass atoms, the mass of oxygen would be 0.0000000000000000000000027 g or 2.7×10^{-23} g

Find the mass of the following *atoms*:

1) Mg = 24.305 amu 3) Cl = 35.453 amu 5) Ca = 40.08 amu

2) Li = 6.941 amu 4) Al = 26.9815 amu 6) H = 1.00794 amu

- **MONOATOMIC** ELEMENTS = one atom of an element that's stable enough to stand on its own (**VERY RARE**)—not bonded to anything
- **DIATOMIC** ELEMENTS or DIATOMS = elements whose atoms always travel in pairs (N_2 , O_2 , F_2 , Cl_2 , Br_2 , I_2 , At_2 , H_2)—bonded to another atom of the same element

So, what would the mass be of one molecule of oxygen (O_2)?

O_2 ←

subscript = tells you the total number of atoms in the compound/molecule

This means that the mass of $O_2 = 2 \times \underline{15.994}$ amu = 31.988 amu

Calculating Formula Mass & Gram Formula Mass of Compounds:

- **FORMULA MASS:** the mass of an atom, molecule or compound in ATOMIC MASS UNITS (amu)
Ex: formula mass of a hydrogen atom is 1.00794 amu
- **GRAM FORMULA MASS:** the mass of one **MOLE** of an atom, molecule or compound in GRAMS (g)
Ex: GFM of hydrogen is 1.00794 g
- **MOLE:** 6.02×10^{23} units of a substance (like a really big dozen)
Ex: 1 mol of C = $\frac{6.02 \times 10^{23}}{\text{Quantity}}$ atoms of C = $\frac{12.011}{\text{Mass}}$ g of C

Practice - SHOW ALL WORK!

1) What is the formula mass of K_2CO_3 ? → mass of 1 molecule (amu)

$$\begin{array}{r} K = 2 \times 39.0983 = 78.1966 \\ C = 1 \times 12.011 = 12.0111 \\ O = 3 \times 15.9994 = 47.9982 \\ \hline 138.2059 \text{ amu} \end{array}$$

2) What is the gram formula mass of $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$? → mass of 1 mole (g)

$$\begin{array}{r} Cu = 1 \times 63.546 = 63.546 \\ S = 1 \times 32.06 = 32.06 \\ O = 4 \times 15.9994 = 63.9976 \\ \dots\dots\dots \\ H = 10 \times 1.00794 = 10.0794 \\ O = 5 \times 15.9994 = 79.997 + \\ \hline 249.68 \text{ g} \end{array}$$

Calculating Percent Composition

Step 1: Calculate the GFM for the compound (or the FM).

Ex: CaCl_2

$$\text{Ca} = 1 \times 40.08 = 40.08 \quad \leftarrow \text{mass of the part} \quad \text{(this is the "part" Ca)}$$

$$\text{Cl} = 2 \times 35.453 = 70.906 + \quad \text{(this is the "part" Cl)}$$

$$110.986 \quad \leftarrow \text{mass of the whole}$$

Step 2: Check the last page of your periodic table for the formula for percent composition. Write the formula below:

Ca

$$\% \text{ composition by mass} = \frac{\text{mass of part}}{\text{mass of whole}} \times 100$$

Now, use the formula to find the percent composition of each element or "part" in our compound (to the nearest 0.1 %).

$$\text{Ca: } \left(\frac{40.08}{110.986} \right) \times 100 = 36.1\% \text{ Ca}$$

$$\text{Cl: } \left(\frac{70.906}{110.986} \right) \times 100 = 63.9\% \text{ Cl}$$

Practice:1) What is the percentage by mass of carbon in CO_2 ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{C} &= 1 \times 12.011 = 12.011 \\ \text{O} &= 2 \times 15.9994 = 31.9988 \\ &\hline &44.0098 \end{aligned}$$

$$\% \text{ comp.} = \left(\frac{12.011}{44.0098} \right) \times 100$$

$$= 27.3\% \text{ C}$$

2) What is the percent by mass of nitrogen in NH_4NO_3 ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{N} &= 2 \times 14.0067 = 28.0134 \leftarrow \text{part} \\ \text{H} &= 4 \times 1.00794 = 4.03176 \\ \text{O} &= 3 \times 15.9994 = 47.9982 \\ &\hline &80.04336 \leftarrow \text{whole} \end{aligned}$$

$$\% \text{ comp.} = \frac{28.0134}{80.04336} \times 100$$

$$= 34.9\% \text{ N}$$

3) What is the percent by mass of oxygen in magnesium oxide?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mg} &= 24.305 \leftarrow \text{part} \\ \text{O} &= 15.9994 \\ &\hline &40.3044 \leftarrow \text{whole} \end{aligned}$$

$$\% \text{ comp.} = \frac{15.9994}{40.3044} \times 100 = 39.7\% \text{ O}$$

MgO
+2 -2

A Special Type of Percent Composition: CRYSTAL HYDRATES

A **HYDRATE** is a **CRYSTALLINE** compound in which ions are attached to one or more **WATER** molecules

Example: $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$

- Notice how **WATER** molecules are BUILT INTO the chemical formula
- Substances *without* water built into the formula are called **ANHYDRATES**

Problem: What is the percentage by mass of water in sodium carbonate crystals ($\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$)?

Step 1: Calculate the formula mass for the hydrate.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \times (1.00794) \\ + 1 \times (15.9994) \\ \hline 18.01528 \end{array}$$

whole	Na =	2 x	22.98977	=	45.97954
	C =	1 x	12.0111	=	12.0111
	O =	3 x	15.9994	=	47.9982
part	H ₂ O =	10 x	18.01528	=	180.1528
	Formula mass of hydrate			=	286.14164

Step 2: Check the last page of your periodic table for the formula for percent composition. Write the formula below:

$$\% \text{ composition by mass} = \frac{\text{mass of part}}{\text{mass of whole}} \times 100$$

$$\% \text{ H}_2\text{O by mass} = \frac{180.1528}{286.1416} \times 100 = \boxed{63.0\%}$$

Practice:1) What is the percent by mass of water in $\text{BaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$?

$$\text{Ba} = 137.33$$

$$\text{Cl} = \frac{2 \times (35.453)}{208.236}$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O} = \frac{2 \times (18.01528)}{36.03056}$$

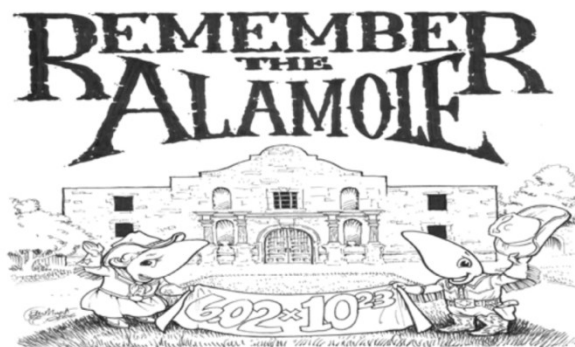
$$\frac{36.03056}{244.26656} \times 100 = 14.8\%$$

2) Which species contains the greatest percent by mass of oxygen?

a) CO_2 b) H_2O c) NO_2 d) MgO

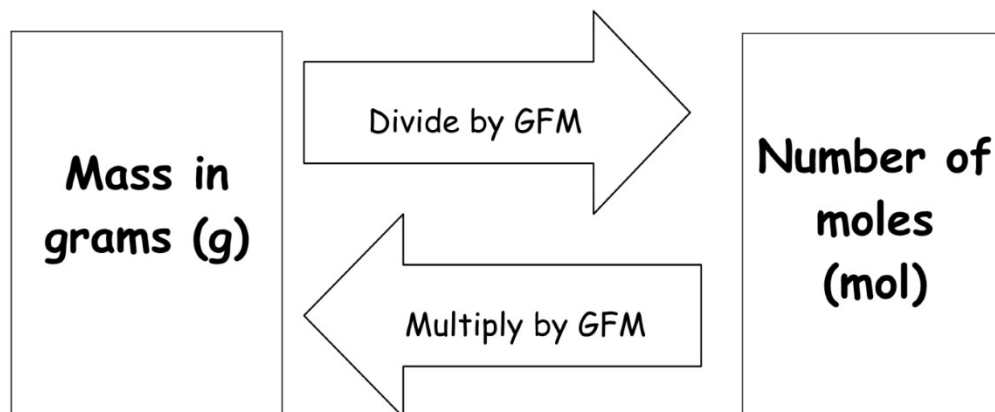
CO_2 $\text{C} = 12$ $2\text{O} = 32$ 44 $\text{O} = \frac{32}{44} \times 100 = 72.7\%$	H_2O $2\text{H} = 2$ $\text{O} = 16$ 18 $\text{O} = \frac{16}{18} \times 100 = 88.9\%$
NO_2 $\text{N} = 14$ $2\text{O} = 32$ 46 $\text{O} = \frac{32}{46} \times 100 = 70\%$	MgO $\text{Mg} = 24$ $\text{O} = 16$ 40 $\text{O} = \frac{16}{40} \times 100 = 40\%$

* round atomic masses to nearest whole number



Application of the Mole: The Math of Chemistry

We will need to convert from grams to moles and vice versa for this class. The diagram below summarizes these processes:



Converting from Grams to Moles:

From Table T, you would use the Mole Calculations Formula:

$$GFM \times \# \text{ of moles} = \frac{\text{given mass (g)}}{GFM \text{ (g/mol)}} \times GFM$$

$$\text{given mass} = GFM \times \# \text{ of moles}$$

X Given

Problem: How many moles are in 4.75 g of sodium hydroxide? (NaOH)

Step 1: Calculate the GFM for the compound.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Na} = 1 \times 22.98977 \\ \text{O} = 1 \times 15.9994 \\ \text{H} = 1 \times 1.00794 \\ \hline 39.99711 \text{ g/mol} \end{array}$$

Step 2: Plug the given value and the GFM into the "mole calculations" formula and solve for the number of moles.

$$\# \text{ of moles} = \frac{\text{given mass (g)}}{\text{GFM (g/mol)}} = \frac{4.75}{39.99711} = \boxed{0.119 \text{ mol}}$$

Practice: X Given

1) How many moles are in 39.0 grams of LiF?

GFM

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Li} \ 1 \times 6.941 \\ \text{F} \ 1 \times 18.9984 \\ \hline 25.9394 \text{ g/mol} \end{array}$$

$$\# \text{ of moles} = \frac{39.0}{25.9394} = \boxed{1.504 \text{ mol of LiF}}$$

2) What is the number of moles of potassium chloride present in 148 g?

GFM

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{K} \ 1 \times 39.0983 \\ \text{Cl} \ 1 \times 35.453 \\ \hline 74.5513 \text{ g/mol} \end{array}$$

KCl

$$\# \text{ of mol} = \frac{148}{74.5513} = \boxed{1.98 \text{ mol of KCl}}$$

3) How many moles are in 168 g of KOH?

GFM

$$56.10564$$

$$\# \text{ of moles} = \frac{168}{56.10564} = \boxed{2.994 \text{ mol of KOH}}$$

Converting from Moles to Grams:

From Table T, you would still use the Mole Calculations Formula, but you must rearrange it since you are solving for **GRAMS** now:

$$\text{mass of sample (g)} = \# \text{ of moles (mol)} \times \text{GFM (g/mol)}$$

Problem: You have a 2.50 mole sample of sulfuric acid. What is the mass of your sample in grams? (H_2SO_4)

Step 1: Calculate the GFM for the compound.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{GFM} \\ \hline \text{H } 2 \times 1.00794 = 2.01588 \\ \text{S } 1 \times 32.06 = 32.06 \\ \text{O } 4 \times 15.9994 = 63.9976 \\ \hline 98.07348 \text{ g/mol} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mass} &= \text{mol} \times \text{GFM} \\ &= 2.5 \times 98.07348 \\ &= 98.07348 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Plug the given value and the GFM into the "mole calculations" formula and solve for the mass of the sample.

$$\text{mass of sample (g)} = \# \text{ of moles (mol)} \times \text{GFM (g/mol)}$$

Practice:

1) What is the mass of 4.5 moles of KOH? Given

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{K } 1 \times 39.0983 \\ \text{O } 1 \times 15.9994 \\ \text{H } 1 \times 1.00794 \\ \hline 56.1056 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mass} &= 4.5 \text{ mol} \times 56.1056 \text{ g/mol} \\ &= \boxed{252.4752 \text{ g KOH}} \end{aligned}$$

2) What is the mass of 0.50 mol of CuSO_4 ?

$$\frac{\text{GFM}}{159.6086 \text{ g/mol}}$$

$$\text{mass} = 0.50 \text{ mol} \times 159.6086 \text{ g/mol} = \boxed{79.8043 \text{ g CuSO}_4}$$

3) What is the mass of 1.50 mole of nitrogen N_2 gas?

$$\frac{\text{GFM}}{28.0134}$$

$$\text{mass} = 1.50 \text{ mol} \times 28.0134 \text{ g/mol} = \boxed{42.0 \text{ g N}_2}$$

CHALLENGE: Convert from grams to atoms/molecules or vice versa.

4) How many molecules of SO_2 are there in a 1.75 g sample?

① GFM
 $1\text{S} = 32.065$
 $2\text{O} = 2(15.9994)\text{H}$
 (Table T) 64.0638 g/mol
 $\text{moles} = \frac{\text{given mass}}{\text{gfm}} = \frac{1.75}{64.0638} = 0.273 \text{ mol}$

② molecules = moles $\times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$
 $= 0.2731 \times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$
 $= \boxed{1.64 \times 10^{22} \text{ molecules}}$

steps
 ① First convert mass to moles
 ② Then convert moles to molecules
 Avogadro's number

5) What is the mass of 3.01×10^{23} atoms of carbon?

(Factor-label method)

$$3.01 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms C} \left| \frac{1 \text{ mol C}}{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}} \right| \left| \frac{12.011 \text{ g C}}{1 \text{ mol C}} \right| = \boxed{6.01 \text{ g C}}$$

Chemical Equations:

- A CHEMICAL EQUATION is a set symbols that state the **PRODUCTS** and **REACTANTS** in a chemical reaction.

REACTANTS = the starting substances in a chemical reaction (found to the **LEFT** of the arrow)

PRODUCTS = a substance produced by a chemical reaction (found to the **RIGHT** of the arrow)

Example:



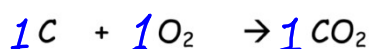
- Chemical equations must be **BALANCED**. Think of the arrow (\rightarrow) as an equal sign.
- LAW of CONSERVATION of MASS: mass can neither be **CREATED** nor **DESTROYED** in a chemical reaction

Balancing Equations:

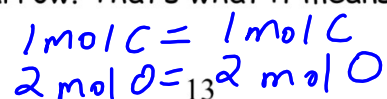
The number of **MOLES** of each **ELEMENT** on the **REACTANTS** (left) side of the equation must be the same as the number of **MOLES** of each **ELEMENT** on the **PRODUCTS** (right) side of the equation.

***COEFFICIENTS** and **SUBSCRIPTS** tell us how many moles we have for each element

Let's look at the **BALANCED** equation below:

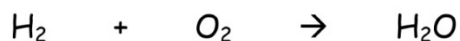


*Note that there is 1 mol of carbon and 2 mol of oxygen on each side of the arrow. That's what it means to be **BALANCED**.



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Now, let's examine the following UNBALANCED equation:



Q: How does this unbalanced equation violate the Law of Conservation of Mass?

A: In this equation, oxygen would have to be **DESTROYED** (there's one less on the products side)

- **COEFFICIENT** = the integer in front of an element or compound which indicates the number of moles present
- **SUBSCRIPT** = the integer to the lower right of an element which indicates the number of atoms present
- **SPECIES** = the individual reactants and products in a chemical reaction.

Q: What do we use to balance equations?

A: **COEFFICIENTS**

NOTE: WE NEVER CHANGE THE SUBSCRIPTS IN A FORMULA!

Example:



COEFFICIENTS:

$$\text{Ag} = 2$$

$$\text{S} = 1$$

$$\text{Ag}_2\text{S} = 1$$

SUBSCRIPTS:

$$\text{Ag} = 1$$

$$\text{S} = 1$$

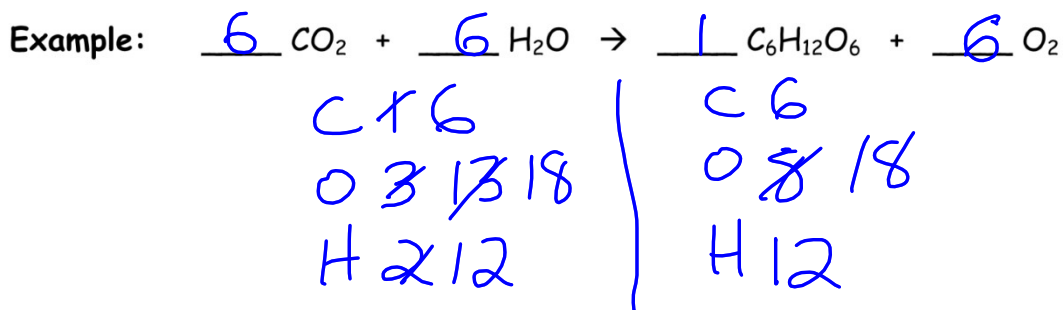
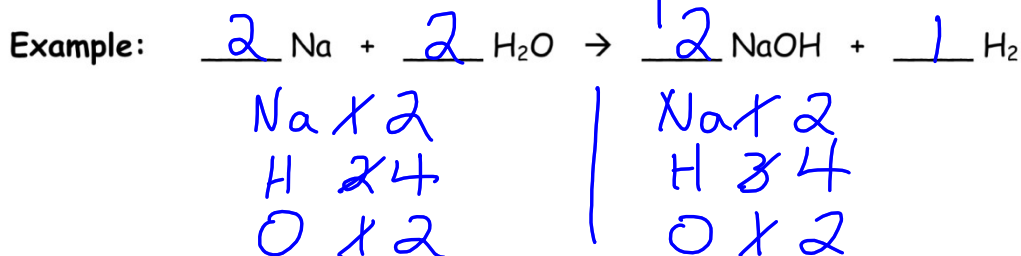
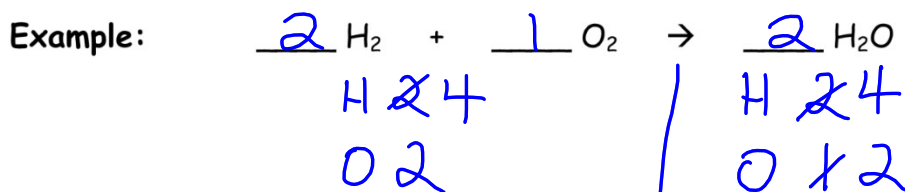
$$\text{Ag}_2\text{S}:$$

$$\text{Ag} = 2$$

$$\text{S} = 1$$

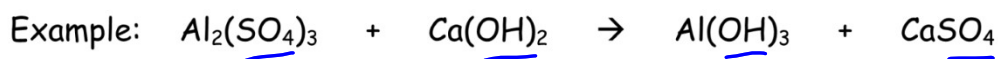
Method for Balancing Equations:

- Step 1:** Draw a line to separate products from reactants
- Step 2:** List each of the different elements on each side of the line
- Step 3:** Count up the number of atoms on each side & record next to the element symbol
- Step 4:** Find the most complex compound in the equation. Balance the elements found in that compound on the opposite side of the arrow by changing the coefficients for the different species. Every time you change a coefficient, you must update the number of each element.
- Step 5:** Now, continue balancing the elements by changing coefficients until you have the same number of each element on both sides of the equation.



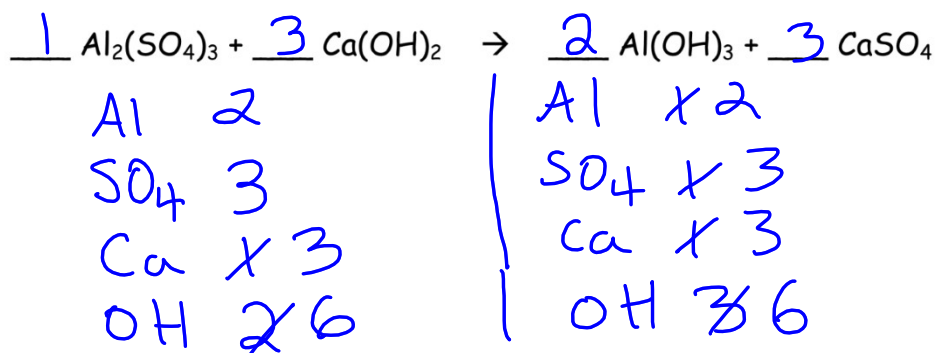
ONE LAST NOTE:

When balancing chemical equations, **POLYATOMIC IONS** may be balanced as a **SINGLE ELEMENT** rather than as separate elements as long as they stay intact during the reaction.



In this equation, we have the polyatomic ions SULFATE & HYDROXIDE, and both remain intact during the reaction. Since SO_4 has the subscript of 3, we *could* think of it as $3 \times 1 = 3$ sulfur atoms and $3 \times 4 = 12$ oxygen atoms. OR, we can just look at the UNIT and say there are 3 (SO_4)'s on the reactant side and 1 (SO_4) on the product side.

Now let's balance the equation:



TYPES OF CHEMICAL REACTIONS:

<p>Type 1: SINGLE REPLACEMENT</p> <p>Definition: Reaction where one species replaces another (one species alone on one side and combined on the other).</p> <p>Ex: $3\text{Ag} + \text{AuCl}_3 \rightarrow 3\text{AgCl} + \text{Au}$ $2\text{Cr} + 3\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{Cr}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 + 3\text{H}_2$ $2\text{Cr} + 3\text{FeCO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Cr}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3 + 3\text{Fe}$</p> <p>Will look like:</p> $A + BC \rightarrow AC + B$	<p>Type 2: DOUBLE REPLACEMENT</p> <p>Definition: Reaction where compounds react, switch partners and produce 2 new compounds.</p> <p>Ex: $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + 2\text{NaCl} \rightarrow \text{PbCl}_2 + 2\text{NaNO}_3$ $\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4 + 3\text{AgNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4 + 3\text{NaNO}_3$ $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3 + 2\text{AgNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Ag}_2\text{CO}_3 + 2\text{KNO}_3$</p> <p>Will look like:</p> $AB + CD \rightarrow AC + BD$
<p>Type 3: SYNTHESIS</p> <p>Definition: Reaction where we take more than one reactant and create one product</p> <p>Ex: $4\text{Al} + 3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ $2\text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$</p> <p>Will look like:</p> $A + B \rightarrow AB$	<p>Type 4: DECOMPOSITION</p> <p>Definition: Reaction where we take one reactant and create 2 products.</p> <p>Ex: $\text{BaCO}_3 \rightarrow \text{BaO} + \text{CO}_2$ $2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$ $2\text{Bi}(\text{OH})_3 \rightarrow \text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$</p> <p>Will look like:</p> $AB \rightarrow A + B$

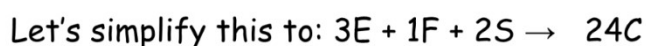
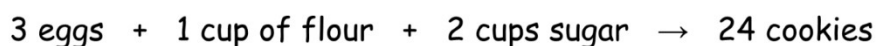
*5. Combustion

Definition: a ¹⁷chemical reaction between oxygen and an organic species

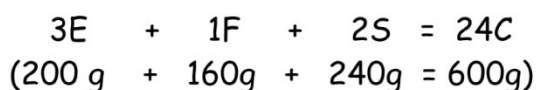
EX: $\text{CH}_4 + 2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Heat}$

Mole-Mole Problems: An Introduction

A chemical equation is basically the "recipe" for a reaction. The **COEFFICIENTS** in an equation tell us the amounts of **REACTANTS** and **PRODUCTS** we need to make the recipe work. Reactants in an equation react in specific **RATIOS** to produce a specific amount of products. Below is a recipe for sugar cookies:



If we massed the eggs, flour and sugar, they should (in a perfect world) equal the mass of the cookies. (This illustrates the LAW OF CONSERVATION OF MASS)

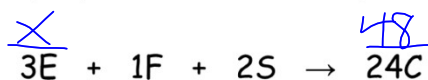


Q: If you had to bake 48 cookies, how many eggs would you need?

A: 6 (double it)

- **Method for solving mole-mole problems:** set up a proportion using your known and unknown values, then cross-multiply and solve for your unknown.

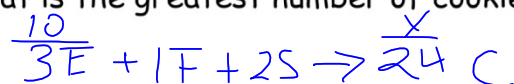
Ex 1: Set up the proportion from the Q & A above and solve.



$$\frac{x}{3} = \frac{48}{24}$$

$$\frac{24x}{24} = \frac{142}{24} = 6 \text{ eggs}$$

Ex 2: If you have 10 eggs and an infinite amount of sugar and flour, what is the greatest number of cookies you can make?



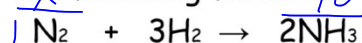
$$\frac{10}{3} = \frac{x}{24}$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{240}{3}$$

$$x = 80 \text{ cookies}$$

*We can use the process we used with the cookie recipe and apply it to chemical equations. The only difference is we **ALWAYS** check to make sure we are starting with a **BALANCED CHEMICAL EQUATION**

Ex 3: Consider the following formula:



How many moles of nitrogen gas (N_2) would be needed to produce 10 moles of ammonia (NH_3)?

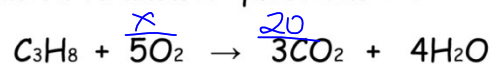
$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{10}{2}$$

$$2x = 10$$

$$x = 5 \text{ mol } N_2$$

Mole-Mole Practice

Use the following equation to answer questions 1-3:



- 1) If 12 moles of C₃H₈ react completely, how many moles of H₂O are formed?

$$\frac{12}{1} = \frac{x}{4} \quad x = 12 \times 4 = 48 \text{ mol of H}_2\text{O}$$

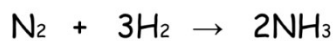
- 2) If 20 moles of CO₂ are formed, how many moles of O₂ reacted?

$$\frac{20}{3} = \frac{x}{5} \quad \frac{5x}{3} = 100 = \boxed{33.3 \text{ mol O}_2}$$

- 3) If 8 moles of O₂ react completely, how many moles of H₂O are formed?

$$\frac{8}{5} = \frac{x}{4} \quad \frac{4x}{5} = 32 = \boxed{6.4 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}$$

Use the following equation to answer questions 4-7:



- 4) If 2.5 moles of N₂ react completely, how many moles of NH₃ are formed?

$$\frac{2.5}{1} = \frac{x}{2} \quad x = 2 \times 2.5 = \boxed{5.0 \text{ mol NH}_3}$$

- 5) If 9 moles of NH₃ are formed, how many moles of H₂ reacted?

$$\frac{9}{2} = \frac{x}{3} \quad \frac{3x}{2} = 27 = \boxed{13.5 \text{ mol H}_2}$$

- 6) If 3.5 moles of NH₃ are formed, how many moles of N₂ reacted?

$$\frac{3.5}{2} = \frac{x}{1} \quad \frac{2x}{2} = \frac{3.5}{2} = \boxed{1.75 \text{ mol N}_2}$$

- 7) How many grams of N₂ are reacted when 3.5 moles of NH₃ are formed?

step ① $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{3.5}{2} \quad \frac{2x}{2} = 3.5 = 1.75 \text{ mol N}_2$

step ② gfm

$$2\text{N} = 2(14.0067)$$

$$= 28.0134 \text{ g/mol}$$

Tablet 20
 $\text{gfm} \times \text{moles} = \frac{\text{given mass}}{\text{gfm}} \times \text{gfm}$

$$\text{given mass} = \text{moles} \times \text{gfm}$$

$$= 1.75 \times 28.0134$$

$$= \boxed{49.02 \text{ g of N}_2}$$

Determining **EMPIRICAL** Formulas: *simplest reduced*

Empirical Formula = the reduced formula; a formula whose subscripts cannot be reduced any further

Molecular Formula = the actual formula for a compound; subscripts represent actual quantity of atoms present

**divide subscripts by common factor*

Molecular Formula	Empirical Formula
N_2O_4 <i>→</i>	NO_2
C_3H_9	CH_3
$C_6H_{12}O_6$	CH_2O
B_4H_{10}	B_2H_5
C_5H_{12}	C_5H_{12}

Practice: Determining empirical formula from molecular formula.

a) H_2O <i>same</i>	h) C_2H_6 <i>CH₃</i>
b) N_2O_2 <i>NO</i>	i) Na_2SO_4 <i>same</i>
c) C_3H_8 <i>same</i>	j) C_6H_5N <i>same</i>
d) $Fe(CO)_3$ <i>same</i>	k) P_2O_5 <i>same</i>
e) C_5H_{10} <i>CH₂</i>	l) H_2O_2 <i>HO</i>
f) NH_3 <i>same</i>	m) SeO_3 <i>same</i>
g) $CaBr_2$ <i>same</i>	n) $LiCl$ <i>same</i>

Calculating Empirical Formula from % Mass (100%)

Step 1: Always assume you have a 100 g sample (The total % for the compound must = 100, so we can just change the units from % to g)

Step 2: Convert grams to moles. (Formulas = mole ratios)

Step 3: Divide all mole numbers by the smallest mole number.

Ex. A compound is 46.2 % mass carbon and 53.8 % mass nitrogen.
What is its empirical formula?

Get whole #'s → Keep the same ratio

Step 1: Assume a 100 g sample.

$$\text{mol} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{gfm}}$$

46.2 % C = 46.2 g C
53.8 % N = 53.8 g N

Step 2: Convert grams to moles (have grams, need moles)

$$\text{mol of C} = \frac{46.2}{12.011} = 3.85 \text{ mol C}$$

$$\text{mol of N} = \frac{53.8}{14.0067} = 3.84 \text{ mol N}$$

But we must have **WHOLE NUMBERS** for **SUBSCRIPTS**.

Step 3: Divide each mole number by the smallest mole number (We will round in this step to the nearest integer if it's super close).

$$\text{For C: } = \frac{3.85}{3.84} \text{ mol C} = 1.0026 \approx 1:1 \text{ ratio}$$

$$\text{For N: } = \frac{3.84}{3.84} \text{ mol N} = 1.00$$

So, the empirical formula for our compound is CN

Practice: Determine the empirical formula for each compound below.

- 1) A compound contains 24.0 g C and 32.0 g O. Calculate its empirical formula. (Hint: start with step 2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol of C} &= \frac{24}{12.011} = 1.998 & \text{C } \frac{1.998}{1.998} &= 1 \\ \text{mol of O} &= \frac{32}{15.9994} = 2.000 & \text{O } \frac{2.000}{1.998} &= 1.001 \end{aligned}$$

ratio $\approx 1:1$ CO

- 2) A compound contains 0.50 moles of carbon for each 1.0 mole of hydrogen. Calculate the empirical formula of this compound. (Hint: start with step 3)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{C} &= \frac{0.5}{0.5} = 1 \text{ mol C} \\ \text{H} &= \frac{1.0}{0.5} = 2 \text{ mol H} \end{aligned}$$

CH₂

- 3) A compound contains 14.6% C and 85.4% Cl by mass. Calculate the empirical formula of this compound.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol of C} &= \frac{14.6}{12.0111} = 1.216 & \text{C } \frac{1.216}{1.216} &= 1 \\ \text{mol of Cl} &= \frac{85.4}{38.543} = 2.409 & \text{Cl } \frac{2.409}{1.216} &= 1.98 \end{aligned}$$

ratio $\approx 1:2$ CCl₂

- 4) 32.8% chromium and 67.2% chlorine.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol of Cr} &= \frac{32.8}{51.996} = 0.6308 & \text{Cr } \frac{0.6308}{0.6308} &= 1 \\ \text{mol of Cl} &= \frac{67.2}{35.453} = 1.895 & \text{Cl } \frac{1.895}{0.6308} &= 3.004 \end{aligned}$$

ratio $\approx 1:3$ CrCl₃

- 5) 67.1% zinc and the rest is oxygen.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mol of Zn} &= \frac{67.1}{65.39} = 1.026 & \text{Zn} &= \frac{1.026}{1.026} = 1 \\ \text{mol of O} &= \frac{32.9}{15.9994} = 2.056 & \text{O} &= \frac{2.056}{1.026} = 2.003 \end{aligned}$$

ratio $\approx 1:2$ ZnO₂

100 - 67.1 = 32.9

Determining MOLECULAR Formulas:

So far, we know how to:

1. Find an empirical formula from percent mass
2. Find an empirical formula from a molecular formula

But how do we find out the molecular formula from an empirical formula?

Ex: A compound is 80.0 % C and 20.0 % H by mass. If its molecular mass is 75.0 g, what is its empirical formula? What is its molecular formula?

First, we must determine the empirical formula using the 3-step process.

Step 1: Assume a 100 g sample.

$$80.0\% \text{ C} = 80.0 \text{ g C}$$

$$20.0\% \text{ H} = 20.0 \text{ g H}$$

Step 2: Convert grams to moles (have grams, need moles)

$$\text{mol of C} = \frac{80}{12.011} = 6.66$$

$$\text{mol of H} = \frac{20}{1.00794} = 19.8$$

$$\text{C } \frac{6.66}{6.66} = 1$$

$$\text{H } \frac{19.8}{6.66} = 2.97$$

~ 1:3 ratio

Step 3: Divide each mole number by the smallest mole number and round to the nearest integer

For C: = 1

For H: = 3

So, the empirical formula for our compound is CH₃.

$$(12.0) + 3(1.0) = 15.0g$$

Now we can determine the molecular formula:

- Empirical mass (the mass of 1 mole of CH_3) = 15.0 g
- Molecular mass = 75 g * from original question
- Molecular mass is 5 times larger than empirical mass $\frac{75}{15} = 5$
- Molecular formula must be 5 times larger than empirical formula
- Multiply **ALL** the subscripts in our empirical formula by 5

Thus, our molecular formula is C_5H_{15}

Practice: Answer the questions below in the space provided. SHOW ALL WORK.

1) What is the molecular formula of a compound that has an empirical formula of NO_2 and molecular mass of 92.0 g?

Emp form mass $NO_2 = 46.0g$
 $(14) + 2(16)$

$$\frac{92.0}{46.0} = 2$$

$NO_2 \rightarrow N_2O_4$

2) A compound is 50% sulfur and 50% oxygen by mass. Calculate the empirical formula. If its molecular mass is 128 g, determine its molecular formula.

Emp. mass $SO_2 = 64g$

$$\text{mol of S} = \frac{50g}{32.065} = 1.56 \text{ mol}$$

$$\text{mol of O} = \frac{50g}{15.9994} = 3.13 \text{ mol}$$

$$S = \frac{1.56}{1.56} = 1$$

$$O = \frac{3.13}{1.56} = 2.006$$

$\approx 1:2$ ratio $\frac{128}{64} = 2$

$SO_2 \rightarrow S_2O_4$

3) A compound is 63.6% N and 36.4% O by mass. Calculate its empirical formula. List three possible molecular formulas for this compound.

N_2O, N_4O_2, N_6O_3

$$\frac{63.6g N}{14.0067g} = 4.54 \text{ mol N}$$

$$\frac{36.4g O}{15.9994g} = 2.28 \text{ mol O}$$

$\approx 2:1$ ratio

N_2O (ET)

4) A compound is 92.3% carbon and 7.7% hydrogen by mass. Calculate its empirical formula. If the molecular mass is 78.0 g, determine its molecular formula.

5) A compound is 74.0% C, 8.7% H, and 17.3% N. Calculate its empirical formula. Its molecular mass is 162 g. Determine its molecular formula.