

# **General Chemistry**

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# Chapter 3

**Mass Relationships in Chemical Reactions** 

In this chapter,

Chemical structure and formulas in studying the mass relationships of atoms and molecules.



To explain the composition of compounds and the ways in which composition changes.

# **Atomic Mass: Average Atomic Mass**

- The mass of an atom depends on the number of electrons, protons, and neutrons it contains.
- o Knowledge of an atom's mass is important in laboratory work.

Micro World atoms & molecules Macro World grams

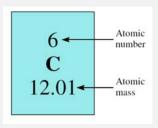
**Atomic mass (atomic weight)** is the mass of an atom in atomic mass units (amu).

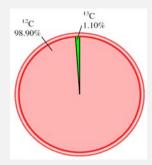
By definition: 1 atom <sup>12</sup>C "weighs" 12 amu

> On this scale <sup>1</sup>H = 1.008 amu <sup>16</sup>O = 16.00 amu

# **Atomic Mass: Average Atomic Mass**

The *average atomic mass* is the weighted average of all of the naturally occurring isotopes of the element.





average atomic mass of natural carbon = (0.9890)(12.00000 amu) + (0.0110)(13.00335 amu) = 12.01 amu

# **Atomic Mass: Average Atomic Mass**

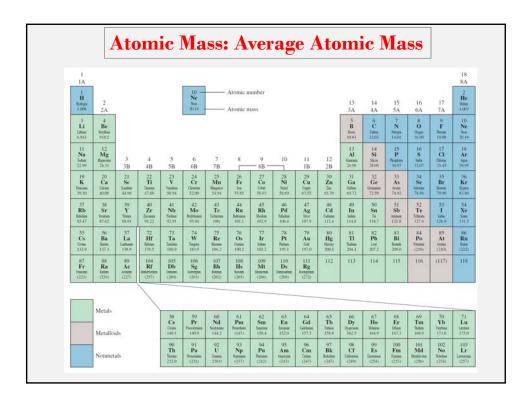
Naturally occurring lithium is:

7.42% <sup>6</sup>Li (6.015 amu)

92.58% <sup>7</sup>Li (7.016 amu)

# Average atomic mass of lithium:

$$\frac{7.42 \times 6.015 + 92.58 \times 7.016}{100} = 6.941 \text{ amu}$$



# **Atomic Mass: Average Atomic Mass**

#### **EXAMPLE 3.1**

Copper, a metal known since ancient times, is used in electrical cables and pennies, among other things. The atomic masses of its two stable isotopes,  $^{63}_{29}$ Cu (69.09 percent) and  $^{65}_{29}$ Cu (30.91 percent), are 62.93 amu and 64.9278 amu, respectively. Calculate the average atomic mass of copper. The relative abundances are given in parentheses.

**Strategy** Each isotope contributes to the average atomic mass based on its relative abundance. Multiplying the mass of an isotope by its fractional abundance (not percent) will give the contribution to the average atomic mass of that particular isotope.

**Solution** First the percents are converted to fractions: 69.09 percent to 69.09/100 or 0.6909 and 30.91 percent to 30.91/100 or 0.3091. We find the contribution to the average atomic mass for each isotope, then add the contributions together to obtain the average atomic mass.

(0.6909)(62.93 amu) + (0.3091)(64.9278 amu) = 63.55 amu

**Check** The average atomic mass should be between the two isotopic masses; therefore, the answer is reasonable. Note that because there are more  $^{63}_{29}$ Cu than  $^{65}_{29}$ Cu isotopes, the average atomic mass is closer to 62.93 amu than to 64.9278 amu.

**Practice Exercise** The atomic masses of the two stable isotopes of boron,  ${}^{10}_{9}B$  (19.78 percent) and  ${}^{11}_{9}B$  (80.22 percent), are 10.0129 amu and 11.0093 amu, respectively. Calculate the average atomic mass of boron.

The mole (mol): A unit to count numbers of particles







Pair = 2

The *mole (mol)* is the amount of a substance that contains as many elementary entities as there are atoms in exactly 12.00 grams of  $^{12}$ C

This number is expressed by the Avogadro's number  $(N_{\Delta})$ 

1 mol = 
$$N_A$$
 = 6.0221367 x  $10^{23}$ 

# Avogadro's Number and the Molar Mass of an Element

Molar mass (M) is the mass of 1 mole of atoms in grams.

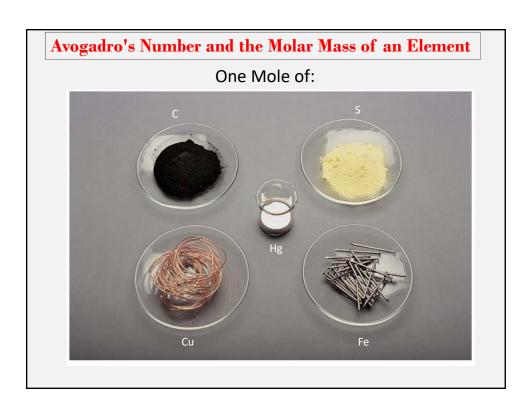
1 mole 
$$^{12}$$
C atoms = 6.022 x  $10^{23}$  atoms = 12.00 g

1 mole 
$$^{1}$$
H atoms = 6.022 x  $10^{23}$  atoms = 1.00 g

For any element

atomic mass (amu) = molar mass (grams)

- Unit is the amu mass.
  - atomic unit
  - 1 amu =  $1.66 \times 10^{-24}$ g
- We define the masses of atoms in terms of atomic mass units
  - 1 Carbon atom = 12.01 amu,
  - 1 Oxygen atom = 16.00 amu
  - 1 O<sub>2</sub> molecule = 2(16.00 amu) = 32.00 amu



#### For example:

Molar mass of <sup>12</sup>C is 12.01 g and there are 6.022 X 10<sup>23</sup> <sup>12</sup>C atoms in 1 mole of the substance;

The mass of one <sup>12</sup>C atom is given by

$$\frac{12.00 \text{ g}^{12}\text{C atoms}}{6.022 \text{ x } 10^{23} \text{ }^{12}\text{C atoms}} = 1.993 \text{ x } 10^{-23} \text{ g}$$

# Avogadro's Number and the Molar Mass of an Element

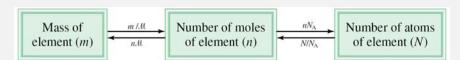
Avogadro's number can be used to convert from the <u>atomic mass</u> units to mass in gram and vice versa.

The mass of every <sup>12</sup>C atom = 12 amu

The number of atomic mass units equivalent to 1 g is

$$\frac{1^{12}\text{C atom}}{12.00 \text{ amu}} \qquad X \quad \frac{12.00 \text{ g}}{6.022 \text{ x } 10^{23} \, ^{12}\text{C atoms}} \quad = \quad \frac{1.66 \text{ x } 10^{-24} \text{ g}}{1 \text{ amu}}$$

1 amu = 
$$1.66 \times 10^{-24} g$$
 or  $1 g = 6.022 \times 10^{23} amu$ 



 $\mathcal{M}$  = molar mass in g/mol

 $N_A$  = Avogadro's number

#### **EXAMPLE 3.2**

Helium (He) is a valuable gas used in industry, low-temperature research, deep-sea diving tanks, and balloons. How many moles of He atoms are in 6.46 g of He?

**Strategy** We are given grams of helium and asked to solve for moles of helium. What conversion factor do we need to convert between grams and moles? Arrange the appropriate conversion factor so that grams cancel and the unit moles is obtained for your answer.

Solution The conversion factor needed to convert between grams and moles is the molar mass. In the periodic table (see inside front cover) we see that the molar mass of He is 4.003~g. This can be expressed as

1 mol He = 
$$4.003$$
 g He

From this equality, we can write two conversion factors

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol He}}{4.003 \text{ g He}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{4.003 \text{ g He}}{1 \text{ mol He}}$$

The conversion factor on the left is the correct one. Grams will cancel, leaving the unit mol for the answer, that is,

$$6.46 \text{ g-He} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol He}}{4.003 \text{ g-He}} = 1.61 \text{ mol He}$$

Thus, there are 1.61 moles of He atoms in 6.46 g of He.

**Check** Because the given mass (6.46 g) is larger than the molar mass of He, we expect to have more than 1 mole of He.

Practice Exercise How many moles of magnesium (Mg) are there in 87.3 g of Mg?

# Avogadro's Number and the Molar Mass of an Element

#### **EXAMPLE 3.3**

Zinc (Zn) is a silvery metal that is used in making brass (with copper) and in plating iron to prevent corrosion. How many grams of Zn are in 0.356 mole of Zn?

**Strategy** We are trying to solve for grams of zinc. What conversion factor do we need to convert between moles and grams? Arrange the appropriate conversion factor so that moles cancel and the unit grams are obtained for your answer.

**Solution** The conversion factor needed to convert between moles and grams is the molar mass. In the periodic table (see inside front cover) we see the molar mass of Zn is 65.39 g. This can be expressed as

$$1 \text{ mol Zn} = 65.39 \text{ g Zn}$$

From this equality, we can write two conversion factors

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol } Zn}{65.39 \text{ g Zn}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{65.39 \text{ g Zn}}{1 \text{ mol } Zn}$$

The conversion factor on the right is the correct one. Moles will cancel, leaving unit of grams for the answer. The number of grams of Zn is

$$0.356 \text{ mol-} Z\overline{n} \times \frac{65.39 \text{ g Zn}}{1 \text{ mol-} Z\overline{n}} = 23.3 \text{ g Zn}$$

Thus, there are 23.3 g of Zn in 0.356 mole of Zn.

**Check** Does a mass of 23.3 g for 0.356 mole of Zn seem reasonable? What is the mass of 1 mole of Zn?

Practice Exercise Calculate the number of grams of lead (Pb) in 12.4 moles of lead.

#### **EXAMPLE 3.4**

Sulfur (S) is a nonmetallic element that is present in coal. When coal is burned, sulfur is converted to sulfur dioxide and eventually to sulfuric acid that gives rise to the acid rain phenomenon. How many atoms are in 16.3 g of S?

Strategy The question asks for atoms of sulfur. We cannot convert directly from grams to atoms of sulfur. What unit do we need to convert grams of sulfur to in order to convert to atoms? What does Avogadro's number represent?

**Solution** We need two conversions: first from grams to moles and then from moles to number of particles (atoms). The first step is similar to Example 3.2. Because

the conversion factor is

Avogadro's number is the key to the second step. We have

1 mol = 
$$6.022 \times 10^{23}$$
 particles (atoms)

and the conversion factors are

$$\frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ S atoms}}{1 \text{ mol S}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1 \text{ mol S}}{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ S atoms}}$$

The conversion factor on the left is the one we need because it has number of S atoms in the numerator. We can solve the problem by first calculating the number of moles contained in 16.3 g of S, and then calculating the number of S atoms from the number of moles of S.

grams of  $S \longrightarrow moles$  of  $S \longrightarrow number$  of S atoms

We can combine these conversions in one step as follows:

$$16.3 \text{ g/S} \times \frac{1 \text{ mel-S}}{32.07 \text{ g/S}} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ S atoms}}{1 \text{ mel-S}} = \boxed{3.06 \times 10^{23} \text{ S atoms}}$$

Thus, there are 3.06  $\times$   $10^{23}$  atoms of S in 16.3 g of S.

Check Should 16.3 g of S contain fewer than Avogadro's number of atoms? What mass of S would contain Avogadro's number of atoms?

Practice Exercise Calculate the number of atoms in 0.551 g of potassium (K).

# Avogadro's Number and the Molar Mass of an Element

# How many atoms are in 0.551 g of potassium (K)?

1 mol K = 
$$6.022 \times 10^{23}$$
 atoms K

0.551 g K x 
$$\frac{1 \text{ mol K}}{39.10 \text{ g K}}$$
 x  $\frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms K}}{1 \text{ mol K}}$  =

8.49 x 10<sup>21</sup> atoms K

**Molecular mass** (or molecular weight) is the sum of the atomic masses (in amu) in a molecule.



1S 32.07 amu

+ 2 x 16.00 amu

SO<sub>2</sub> 64.07 amu

For any molecule

molecular mass (amu) = molar mass (grams)

1 molecule  $SO_2 = 64.07$  amu 1 mole  $SO_2 = 64.07$  g  $SO_2$ 

#### Molecular mass of H<sub>2</sub>O is

2(atomic mass of H) + atomic mass of O

2(1.008 amu) + 16.00 amu = 18.02 amu

# **Molecular Mass**

#### **EXAMPLE 3.5**

Calculate the molecular masses (in amu) of the following compounds: (a) sulfur dioxide ( $SO_2$ ) and (b) caffeine ( $C_8H_{10}N_4O_2$ ).

**Strategy** How do atomic masses of different elements combine to give the molecular mass of a compound?

**Solution** To calculate molecular mass, we need to sum all the atomic masses in the molecule. For each element, we multiply the atomic mass of the element by the number of atoms of that element in the molecule. We find atomic masses in the periodic table (inside front cover).

(a) There are two O atoms and one S atom in SO2, so that

molecular mass of 
$$SO_2 = 32.07 \text{ amu} + 2(16.00 \text{ amu})$$
  
=  $64.07 \text{ amu}$ 

(b) There are eight C atoms, ten H atoms, four N atoms, and two O atoms in caffeine, so the molecular mass of  $C_8H_{10}N_4O_2$  is given by

8(12.01 amu) + 10(1.008 amu) + 4(14.01 amu) + 2(16.00 amu) = 194.20 amu

**Practice Exercise** What is the molecular mass of methanol (CH<sub>4</sub>O)?

#### **EXAMPLE 3.6**

Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) is the principal component of natural gas. How many moles of  $CH_4$  are present in 6.07 g of  $CH_4$ ?

**Strategy** We are given grams of CH<sub>4</sub> and asked to solve for moles of CH<sub>4</sub>. What conversion factor do we need to convert between grams and moles? Arrange the appropriate conversion factor so that grams cancel and the unit moles are obtained for your answer.

**Solution** The conversion factor needed to convert between grams and moles is the molar mass. First we need to calculate the molar mass of  $CH_4$ , following the procedure in Example 3.5:

molar mass of 
$$CH_4 = 12.01 \text{ g} + 4(1.008 \text{ g})$$
  
= 16.04 g

Because

the conversion factor we need should have grams in the denominator so that the unit g will cancel, leaving the unit mol in the numerator:

We now write

6.07 g-
$$\text{CH}_{4}^{-} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol CH}_{4}}{16.04 \text{ g-CH}_{4}^{-}} = 0.378 \text{ mol CH}_{4}$$

Thus, there is 0.378 mole of CH<sub>4</sub> in 6.07 g of CH<sub>4</sub>.

 ${\color{red}Check}$  Should 6.07 g of  $CH_4$  equal less than 1 mole of  $CH_4?$  What is the mass of 1 mole of  $CH_4?$ 

Practice Exercise Calculate the number of moles of chloroform (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) in 198 g of chloroform.

# **Molecular Mass**

#### **EXAMPLE 3.7**

How many hydrogen atoms are present in 25.6 g of urea  $[(NH_2)_2CO]$ , which is used as a fertilizer, in animal feed, and in the manufacture of polymers? The molar mass of urea is 60.06 g.

**Strategy** We are asked to solve for atoms of hydrogen in 25.6 g of urea. We cannot convert directly from grams of urea to atoms of hydrogen. How should molar mass and Avogadro's number be used in this calculation? How many moles of H are in 1 mole of urea?

**Solution** To calculate the number of H atoms, we first must convert grams of urea to moles of urea using the molar mass of urea. This part is similar to Example 3.2. The molecular formula of urea shows there are four moles of H atoms in one mole of urea molecule, so the mole ratio is 4:1. Finally, knowing the number of moles of H atoms, we can calculate the number of H atoms using Avogadro's number. We need two conversion factors: molar mass and Avogadro's number. We can combine these conversions

grams of urea  $\longrightarrow$  moles of urea  $\longrightarrow$  moles of H  $\longrightarrow$  atoms of H

into one step:

$$25.6~\underline{g.(NH_2)_2CO}\times \frac{1~mol.(NH_2)_2CO}{60.06~\underline{g.(NH_2)_2CO}}\times \frac{4~mol. H}{1~mol.(NH_2)_2CO}\times \frac{6.022\times 10^{23}~H~atoms}{1~mol. H}\\ =~1.03\times 10^{24}~H~atoms$$

**Check** Does the answer look reasonable? How many atoms of H would 60.06 g of urea contain?

Practice Exercise How many H atoms are in 72.5 g of isopropanol (rubbing alcohol), C.H.O?

### How many H atoms are in 72.5 g of C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O?

1 mol 
$$C_3H_8O = (3 \times 12) + (8 \times 1) + 16 = 60 \text{ g } C_3H_8O$$
  
1 mol  $C_3H_8O$  molecules = 8 mol H atoms

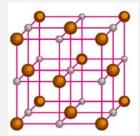
1 mol H = 
$$6.022 \times 10^{23}$$
 atoms H

72.5 g C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O x 
$$\frac{1 \text{ mol } e_3 H_8 O}{60 \text{ g } C_3 H_8 O}$$
 x  $\frac{8 \text{ mol H atoms}}{1 \text{ mol } e_3 H_8 O}$  x  $\frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ H atoms}}{1 \text{ mol H atoms}}$  =

5.82 x 10<sup>24</sup> atoms H

# **Molecular Mass**

**Formula mass** is the sum of the atomic masses (in amu) in a formula unit of an ionic compound.



NaCl

1Na 22.99 amu

1Cl + 35.45 amu

NaCl 58.44 amu

For any ionic compound

formula mass (amu) = molar mass (grams)

1 formula unit NaCl = 58.44 amu 1 mole NaCl = 58.44 g NaCl

# What is the formula mass of $Ca_3(PO_4)_2$ ?

1 formula unit of Ca<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

3 Ca 3 x 40.08

2 P 2 x 30.97

8 0 + 8 x 16.00

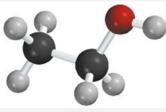
310.18 amu

# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

The *percent composition* by mass is the percent by mass of each element in a compound.

percent composition of an element =  $\frac{n \times \text{molar mass of element}}{\text{molar mass of compound}} \times 100\%$ 

*n* is the number of moles of the element in 1 mole of the compound



$$C_2H_6C$$

%C =  $\frac{2 \times (12.01 \text{ g})}{46.07 \text{ g}} \times 100\% = 52.14\%$ %H =  $\frac{6 \times (1.008 \text{ g})}{100\% = 13.13\%}$ 

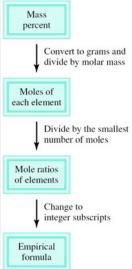
%H = 46.07 g x 100% = 13.13% 1 x (16.00 g)

 $\%O = \frac{1 \times (16.00 \text{ g})}{46.07 \text{ g}} \times 100\% = 34.73\%$ 

52.14% + 13.13% + 34.73% = 100.0%

# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

Given the percent composition by mass of a compound, we can determine the empirical formula of the Compound.



# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

### **Percent Composition and Empirical Formulas**

Given the percent composition by mass of a compound, we can determine the empirical formula of the Compound.

Determine the empirical formula of a compound that has the following percent composition by mass: K 24.75, Mn 34.77, O 40.51 percent.

$$n_{\rm K} = 24.75 \text{ g K x } \frac{1 \text{ mol K}}{39.10 \text{ g K}} = 0.6330 \text{ mol K}$$
  
 $n_{\rm Mn} = 34.77 \text{ g Mn x } \frac{1 \text{ mol Mn}}{54.94 \text{ g Mn}} = 0.6329 \text{ mol Mn}$   
 $n_{\rm O} = 40.51 \text{ g O x } \frac{1 \text{ mol O}}{16.00 \text{ g O}} = 2.532 \text{ mol O}$ 

# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

### **Percent Composition and Empirical Formulas**

$$n_{\rm K} = 0.6330, n_{\rm Mn} = 0.6329, n_{\rm O} = 2.532$$

$$K: \frac{0.6330}{0.6329} \approx 1.0$$

Mn: 
$$\frac{0.6329}{0.6329}$$
 = 1.0

O: 
$$\frac{2.532}{0.6329} \approx 4.0$$

# KMnO<sub>4</sub>

# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

## **Percent Composition and Empirical Formulas**

#### **EXAMPLE 3.9**

Ascorbic acid (vitamin C) cures scurvy. It is composed of 40.92 percent carbon (C), 4.58 percent hydrogen (H), and 54.50 percent oxygen (O) by mass. Determine its empirical formula.

**Strategy** In a chemical formula, the subscripts represent the ratio of the number of moles of each element that combine to form one mole of the compound. How can we convert from mass percent to moles? If we assume an exactly 100-g sample of the compound, do we know the mass of each element in the compound? How do we then convert from grams to moles?

**Solution** If we have 100 g of ascorbic acid, then each percentage can be converted directly to grams. In this sample, there will be 40.92 g of C, 4.58 g of H, and 54.50 g of O. Because the subscripts in the formula represent a mole ratio, we need to convert the grams of each element to moles. The conversion factor needed is the molar mass of each element. Let n represent the number of moles of each element so that

$$\begin{split} n_{\rm C} &= 40.92 \text{ g-C} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol C}}{12.01 \text{ g-C}} = 3.407 \text{ mol C} \\ n_{\rm H} &= 4.58 \text{ g-H} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol H}}{1.008 \text{ g-H}} = 4.54 \text{ mol H} \\ n_{\rm O} &= 54.50 \text{ g-O} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol O}}{16.00 \text{ g-O}} = 3.406 \text{ mol O} \end{split}$$

Thus, we arrive at the formula  $C_{3.407}H_{4.54}O_{3.406}$ , which gives the identity and the mole ratios of atoms present. However, chemical formulas are written with whole numbers.

# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

### **Percent Composition and Empirical Formulas**

Try to convert to whole numbers by dividing all the subscripts by the smallest subscript (3.406):

C: 
$$\frac{3.407}{3.406} \approx 1$$
 H:  $\frac{4.54}{3.406} = 1.33$  O:  $\frac{3.406}{3.406} = 1$ 

where the  $\approx$  sign means "approximately equal to." This gives  $CH_{1.33}O$  as the formula for ascorbic acid. Next, we need to convert 1.33, the subscript for H, into an integer. This can be done by a trial-and-error procedure:

$$1.33 \times 1 = 1.33$$
  
 $1.33 \times 2 = 2.66$   
 $1.33 \times 3 = 3.99 \approx 4$ 

Because  $1.33 \times 3$  gives us an integer (4), we multiply all the subscripts by 3 and obtain  $C_3H_4O_3$  as the empirical formula for ascorbic acid.

Check Are the subscripts in C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> reduced to the smallest whole numbers?

**Practice Exercise** Determine the empirical formula of a compound having the following percent composition by mass: K: 24.75 percent; Mn: 34.77 percent; O: 40.51 percent.

# **Percent Composition of Compounds**

To know the actual mass of an element in a certain mass of a compound.

#### EXAMPLE 3.10

Chalcopyrite (CuFeS<sub>2</sub>) is a principal mineral of copper. Calculate the number of kilograms of Cu in  $3.71\times10^3~kg$  of chalcopyrite.

**Strategy** Chalcopyrite is composed of Cu, Fe, and S. The mass due to Cu is based on its percentage by mass in the compound. How do we calculate mass percent of an element?

Solution The molar masses of Cu and  ${\rm CuFeS_2}$  are 63.55 g and 183.5 g, respectively. The mass percent of Cu is therefore

$$\% Cu = \frac{\text{molar mass of Cu}}{\text{molar mass of CuFeS}_2} \times 100\%$$
$$= \frac{63.55 \text{ g}}{183.5 \text{ g}} \times 100\% = 34.63\%$$

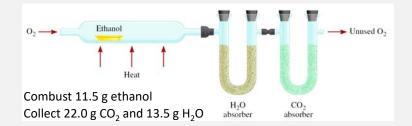
To calculate the mass of Cu in a  $3.71\times10^3$  kg sample of CuFeS<sub>2</sub>, we need to convert the percentage to a fraction (that is, convert 34.63 percent to 34.63/100, or 0.3463) and write

mass of Cu in CuFeS<sub>2</sub> = 
$$0.3463 \times (3.71 \times 10^3 \text{ kg}) = 1.28 \times 10^3 \text{ kg}$$

**Check** As a ball-park estimate, note that the mass percent of Cu is roughly 33 percent, so that a third of the mass should be Cu; that is,  $\frac{1}{3} \times 3.71 \times 10^3$  kg  $\approx 1.24 \times 10^3$  kg. This quantity is quite close to the answer.

Practice Exercise Calculate the number of grams of Al in 371 g of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.

### **Experimental Determination of Empirical Formulas**



$$g CO_2 \longrightarrow mol CO_2 \longrightarrow mol C \longrightarrow g C$$
 6.0  $g C = 0.5 mol C$   
 $g H_2O \longrightarrow mol H_2O \longrightarrow mol H \longrightarrow g H$  1.5  $g H = 1.5 mol H$   
 $g of O = g of sample - (g of C + g of H)$  4.0  $g O = 0.25 mol O$ 

Empirical formula  $C_{0.5}H_{1.5}O_{0.25}$ Divide by smallest subscript (0.25) Empirical formula  $C_2H_6O$ 

## **Experimental Determination of Empirical Formulas**

$$\begin{split} \text{mass of C} &= 22.0 \text{ g.CO}_2 \times \frac{1 \text{ mol-CO}_2}{44.01 \text{ g.CO}_2} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol-C}}{1 \text{ mol-CO}_2} \times \frac{12.01 \text{ g C}}{1 \text{ mol-C}} \\ &= 6.00 \text{ g C} \\ \text{mass of H} &= 13.5 \text{ g.H}_2\text{O} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol-H}_2\text{O}}{18.02 \text{ g.H}_2\text{O}} \times \frac{2 \text{ mol-H}}{1 \text{ mol-H}_2\text{O}} \times \frac{1.008 \text{ g H}}{1 \text{ mol-H}} \\ &= 1.51 \text{ g H} \end{split}$$

Thus, 11.5 g of ethanol contains 6.00 g of carbon and 1.51 g of hydrogen. The remainder must be oxygen, whose mass is

mass of O = mass of sample - (mass of C + mass of H)  
= 
$$11.5 \text{ g} - (6.00 \text{ g} + 1.51 \text{ g})$$
  
=  $4.0 \text{ g}$ 

The number of moles of each element present in 11.5 g of ethanol is

moles of C = 6.00 ge × 
$$\frac{1 \text{ mol C}}{12.01 \text{ ge}}$$
 = 0.500 mol C  
moles of H = 1.51 gH ×  $\frac{1 \text{ mol H}}{1.008 \text{ gH}}$  = 1.50 mol H  
moles of O = 4.0 gO ×  $\frac{1 \text{ mol O}}{16.00 \text{ gO}}$  = 0.25 mol O

### **Experimental Determination of Empirical Formulas**

"empirical" means "based only on observation and measurement."

**Ex:** The empirical formula of ethanol is determined from analysis of the compound in terms of its component elements.

No knowledge of how the atoms are linked together in the compound is required.

### **Experimental Determination of Empirical Formulas**

#### **Determination of Molecular Formulas**

To calculate the actual, molecular formula we must know

- the approximate molar mass of the compound
- its empirical formula.

#### **Experimental Determination of Empirical Formulas**

#### **Determination of Molecular Formulas**

#### **EXAMPLE 3.11**

A sample of a compound contains 1.52 g of nitrogen (N) and 3.47 g of oxygen (O). The molar mass of this compound is between 90 g and 95 g. Determine the molecular formula and the accurate molar mass of the compound.

**Strategy** To determine the molecular formula, we first need to determine the empirical formula. How do we convert between grams and moles? Comparing the empirical molar mass to the experimentally determined molar mass will reveal the relationship between the empirical formula and molecular formula.

**Solution** We are given grams of N and O. Use molar mass as a conversion factor to convert grams to moles of each element. Let n represent the number of moles of each element. We write

$$n_{\rm N} = 1.52 \text{ g-N} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol N}}{14.01 \text{ g-N}} = 0.108 \text{ mol N}$$
  
 $n_{\rm O} = 3.47 \text{ g-O} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol O}}{16.00 \text{ g-O}} = 0.217 \text{ mol O}$ 

Thus, we arrive at the formula  $N_{0.108}O_{0.217}$ , which gives the identity and the ratios of atoms present. However, chemical formulas are written with whole numbers. Try to convert to whole numbers by dividing the subscripts by the smaller subscript (0.108). After rounding off, we obtain  $NO_2$  as the empirical formula.

## **Experimental Determination of Empirical Formulas**

#### **Determination of Molecular Formulas**

The molecular formula might be the same as the empirical formula or some integral multiple of it (for example, two, three, four, or more times the empirical formula). Comparing the ratio of the molar mass to the molar mass of the empirical formula will show the integral relationship between the empirical and molecular formulas. The molar mass of the empirical formula  $NO_2$  is

empirical molar mass = 
$$14.01 \text{ g} + 2(16.00 \text{ g}) = 46.01 \text{ g}$$

Next, we determine the ratio between the molar mass and the empirical molar mass

$$\frac{\text{molar mass}}{\text{empirical molar mass}} = \frac{90 \text{ g}}{46.01 \text{ g}} \approx 2$$

The molar mass is twice the empirical molar mass. This means that there are two  $NO_2$  units in each molecule of the compound, and the molecular formula is  $(NO_2)_2$  or  $N_2O_4$ .

The actual molar mass of the compound is two times the empirical molar mass, that is, 2(46.01 g) or 92.02 g, which is between 90 g and 95 g.

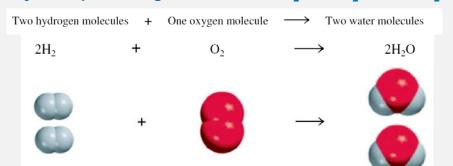
**Check** Note that in determining the molecular formula from the empirical formula, we need only know the *approximate* molar mass of the compound. The reason is that the true molar mass is an integral multiple  $(1 \times, 2 \times, 3 \times, ...)$  of the empirical molar mass. Therefore, the ratio (molar mass/empirical molar mass) will always be close to an integer.

**Practice Exercise** A sample of a compound containing boron (B) and hydrogen (H) contains 6.444 g of B and 1.803 g of H. The molar mass of the compound is about 30 g. What is its molecular formula?

A process in which one or more substances is changed into one or more new substances is a *chemical reaction* 

A *chemical equation* uses chemical symbols to show what happens during a chemical reaction

# 3 ways of representing the reaction of $H_2$ with $O_2$ to form $H_2O$



## **Chemical Reactions and Chemical Equations**

# **How to "Read" Chemical Equations**

$$2 \text{ Mg} + \text{O}_2 \longrightarrow 2 \text{ MgO}$$

2 atoms Mg + 1 molecule  $O_2$  makes 2 formula units MgO

2 moles Mg + 1 mole O<sub>2</sub> makes 2 moles MgO

48.6 grams Mg + 32.0 grams O<sub>2</sub> makes 80.6 g MgO

#### **NOT**

2 grams Mg + 1 gram O<sub>2</sub> makes 2 g MgO

# **Balancing Chemical Equations**

 Write the correct formula(s) for the reactants on the left side and the correct formula(s) for the product(s) on the right side of the equation.

Ethane reacts with oxygen to form carbon dioxide and water

$$C_2H_6 + O_2 \longrightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

2. Change the numbers in front of the formulas (*coefficients*) to make the number of atoms of each element the same on both sides of the equation. Do not change the subscripts.

$$2C_2H_6$$
 **NOT**  $C_4H_{12}$ 

# **Chemical Reactions and Chemical Equations**

## **Balancing Chemical Equations**

Start by balancing those elements that appear in only one reactant and one product.

$$C_{2}H_{6} + O_{2} \longrightarrow CO_{2} + H_{2}O \quad \text{start with C or H but not O}$$

$$2 \text{ carbon } \quad 1 \text{ carbon } \quad \text{multiply CO}_{2} \text{ by 2}$$

$$On \text{ left } \quad On \text{ right } \quad C_{2}H_{6} + O_{2} \longrightarrow 2CO_{2} + H_{2}O \quad On \text{ left } \quad On \text{ right } \quad$$

# **Balancing Chemical Equations**

4. Balance those elements that appear in two or more reactants or products.

$$C_{2}H_{6} + O_{2} \longrightarrow 2CO_{2} + 3H_{2}O \qquad \text{multiply } O_{2} \text{ by } \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow$$

$$2 \text{ oxygen} \qquad 4 \text{ oxygen} + 3 \text{ oxygen} = 7 \text{ oxygen}$$

$$\text{on left} \qquad (2x2) \qquad (3x1) \qquad \text{on right}$$

$$C_{2}H_{6} + \frac{7}{2}O_{2} \longrightarrow 2CO_{2} + 3H_{2}O \qquad \text{remove fraction}$$

$$\text{multiply both sides by 2}$$

$$2C_{2}H_{6} + 7O_{2} \longrightarrow 4CO_{2} + 6H_{2}O$$

# **Chemical Reactions and Chemical Equations**

# **Balancing Chemical Equations**

5. Check to make sure that you have the same number of each type of atom on both sides of the equation.

# **Balancing Chemical Equations**

#### **EXAMPLE 3.12**

When aluminum metal is exposed to air, a protective layer of aluminum oxide  $(Al_2O_3)$  forms on its surface. This layer prevents further reaction between aluminum and oxygen, and it is the reason that aluminum beverage cans do not corrode. [In the case of iron, the rust, or iron(III) oxide, that forms is too protous to protect the iron metal underneath, so rusting continues.] Write a balanced equation for the formation of  $Al_2O_3$ .

**Strategy** Remember that the formula of an element or compound cannot be changed when balancing a chemical equation. The equation is balanced by placing the appropriate coefficients in front of the formulas. Follow the procedure described on p. 96.

Solution The unbalanced equation is

$$Al + O_2 \longrightarrow Al_2O_3$$

In a balanced equation, the number and types of atoms on each side of the equation must be the same. We see that there is one Al atom on the reactants side and there are two Al atoms on the product side. We can balance the Al atoms by placing a coefficient of 2 in front of Al on the reactants side.

$$2A1 + O_2 \longrightarrow Al_2O_3$$

There are two O atoms on the reactants side, and three O atoms on the product side of the equation. We can balance the O atoms by placing a coefficient of  $\frac{3}{2}$  in front of  $O_2$  on the reactants side.

$$2Al + \frac{3}{2}O_2 \longrightarrow Al_2O_3$$

This is a balanced equation. However, equations are normally balanced with the smallest set of *whole* number coefficients. Multiplying both sides of the equation by 2 gives whole number coefficients.

$$2(2Al + \frac{3}{2}O_2 \longrightarrow Al_2O_3)$$

or

#### $4AI + 3O_2 \longrightarrow 2AI_2O_3$

# **Chemical Reactions and Chemical Equations**

# **Balancing Chemical Equations**

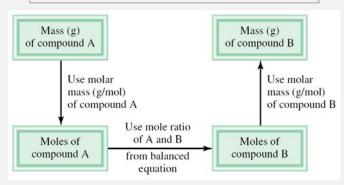
**Check** For an equation to be balanced, the number and types of atoms on each side of the equation must be the same. The final tally is

Reactants	Products
Al (4)	Al (4)
0 (6)	0 (6)

The equation is balanced. Also, the coefficients are reduced to the simplest set of whole numbers.

**Practice Exercise** Balance the equation representing the reaction between iron(III) oxide, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and carbon monoxide (CO) to yield iron (Fe) and carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

#### **Amounts of Reactants and Products**



- 1. Write balanced chemical equation
- 2. Convert quantities of known substances into moles
- 3. Use coefficients in balanced equation to calculate the number of moles of the sought quantity
- 4. Convert moles of sought quantity into desired units

#### **Amounts of Reactants and Products**

Methanol burns in air according to the equation

$$2CH_3OH + 3O_2 \longrightarrow 2CO_2 + 4H_2O$$

If 209 g of methanol are used up in the combustion, what mass of water is produced?

grams 
$$CH_3OH \longrightarrow moles CH_3OH \longrightarrow moles H_2O \longrightarrow grams H_2O$$

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{molar mass} & \text{coefficients} & \text{molar mass} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{OH} & \text{chemical equation} & \text{H}_2\text{O} \end{array}$ 

209 g CH<sub>3</sub>OH x 
$$\frac{1 \text{ mol-eH}_3\text{OH}}{32.0 \text{ g CH}_3\text{OH}}$$
 x  $\frac{4 \text{ mol-H}_2\text{O}}{2 \text{ mol-eH}_3\text{OH}}$  x  $\frac{18.0 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mol-H}_2\text{O}}$  =

235 g H<sub>2</sub>O

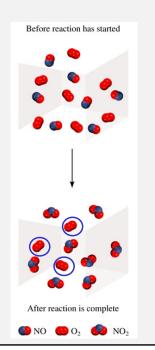
### **Limiting Reagents**

Reactant used up first in the reaction.

$$2NO + O_2 \longrightarrow 2NO_2$$

NO is the limiting reagent

O<sub>2</sub> is the excess reagent



## **Limiting Reagents**

In one process, 124 g of Al are reacted with 601 g of Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

$$2AI + Fe_2O_3 \longrightarrow AI_2O_3 + 2Fe$$

Calculate the mass of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> formed.

 $g AI \longrightarrow mol AI \longrightarrow mol Fe_2O_3$  needed  $\longrightarrow g Fe_2O_3$  needed

 $g Fe_2O_3 \longrightarrow mol Fe_2O_3 \longrightarrow mol Al needed \longrightarrow g Al needed$ 

124 g Al x 
$$\frac{1 \text{ mol Al}}{27.0 \text{ g Al}}$$
 x  $\frac{1 \text{ mol Fe}_2\text{O}_3}{2 \text{ mol Al}}$  x  $\frac{160. \text{ g Fe}_2\text{O}_3}{1 \text{ mol Fe}_2\text{O}_3}$  = 367 g Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Start with 124 g Al  $\longrightarrow$  need 367 g Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Have more Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (601 g) so Al is limiting reagent

## **Limiting Reagents**

Use limiting reagent (AI) to calculate amount of product that can be formed.

$$g AI \longrightarrow mol AI \longrightarrow mol AI_2O_3 \longrightarrow g AI_2O_3$$
  
 $2AI + Fe_2O_3 \longrightarrow AI_2O_3 + 2Fe$ 

$$124 \text{ gAl x} \quad \frac{1 \text{ mol Al}}{27.0 \text{ gAl}} \text{ x} \quad \frac{1 \text{ mol Al}_2 \text{O}_3}{2 \text{ mol Al}} \text{ x} \quad \frac{102. \text{ g Al}_2 \text{O}_3}{1 \text{ mol Al}_2 \text{O}_3} = 234 \text{ g Al}_2 \text{O}_3$$

At this point, all the Al is consumed and  $Fe_2O_3$  remains in excess.

# **Reaction Yield**

**Theoretical Yield** is the amount of product that would result if all the limiting reagent reacted.

**Actual Yield** is the amount of product actually obtained from a reaction.

% Yield = 
$$\frac{\text{Actual Yield}}{\text{Theoretical Yield}} \times 100\%$$

#### **Reaction Yield**

#### EXAMPLE 3.16

Titanium is a strong, lightweight, corrosion-resistant metal that is used in rockets, aircraft, jet engines, and bicycle frames. It is prepared by the reaction of titanium(IV) chloride with molten magnesium between 950°C and 1150°C:

$$TiCl_4(g) + 2Mg(l) \longrightarrow Ti(s) + 2MgCl_2(l)$$

In a certain industrial operation 3.54  $\times$  10 $^7$  g of TiCl<sub>4</sub> are reacted with 1.13  $\times$  10 $^7$  g of Mg. (a) Calculate the theoretical yield of Ti in grams. (b) Calculate the percent yield if 7.91  $\times$  10 $^6$  g of Ti are actually obtained.

(a) Strategy Because there are two reactants, this is likely to be a limiting reagent problem. The reactant that produces fewer moles of product is the limiting reagent. How do we convert from amount of reactant to amount of product? Perform this calculation for each reactant, then compare the moles of product, Ti, formed.

**Solution** Carry out two separate calculations to see which of the two reactants is the limiting reagent. First, starting with  $3.54 \times 10^7$  g of  $TiCl_4$ , calculate the number of moles of Ti that could be produced if all the  $TiCl_4$  reacted. The conversions are

grams of 
$$TiCl_4 \longrightarrow moles$$
 of  $TiCl_4 \longrightarrow moles$  of  $Ti$ 

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles of Ti} &= 3.54 \times 10^7 \, \text{g-TiCt}_4 \times \frac{1 \, \text{mol-TiCt}_4}{189.7 \, \text{g-TiCt}_4} \times \frac{1 \, \text{mol Ti}}{1 \, \text{mol-TiCt}_4} \\ &= 1.87 \times 10^5 \, \text{mol Ti} \end{aligned}$$

Next, we calculate the number of moles of Ti formed from 1.13  $\times$   $10^7\,\mathrm{g}$  of Mg. The conversion steps are

grams of Mg 
$$\longrightarrow$$
 moles of Mg  $\longrightarrow$  moles of Ti

and we write

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles of Ti} &= 1.13 \times 10^7 \, \text{g-Mg} \times \frac{1 \, \text{mol-Mg}}{24.31 \, \text{g-Mg}} \times \frac{1 \, \text{mol Ti}}{2 \, \text{mol-Mg}} \\ &= 2.32 \times 10^5 \, \text{mol Ti} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $TiCl_4$  is the limiting reagent because it produces a smaller amount of Ti. The mass of Ti formed is

$$1.87 \times 10^{5} \text{ mol-Ti} \times \frac{47.88 \text{ g Ti}}{1 \text{ mol-Ti}} = 8.95 \times 10^{6} \text{ g Ti}$$

# **Reaction Yield**

**(b) Strategy** The mass of Ti determined in part (a) is the theoretical yield. The amount given in part (b) is the actual yield of the reaction.

Solution The percent yield is given by

% yield = 
$$\frac{\text{actual yield}}{\text{theoretical yield}} \times 100\%$$
$$= \frac{7.91 \times 10^6 \text{ g}}{8.95 \times 10^6 \text{ g}} \times 100\%$$
$$= 88.4\%$$

Check Should the percent yield be less than 100 percent?

Practice Exercise Industrially, vanadium metal, which is used in steel alloys, can be obtained by reacting vanadium(V) oxide with calcium at high temperatures:

$$5Ca + V_2O_5 \longrightarrow 5CaO + 2V$$

In one process,  $1.54\times 10^3$  g of  $V_2O_5$  react with  $1.96\times 10^3$  g of Ca. (a) Calculate the theoretical yield of V. (b) Calculate the percent yield if 803 g of V are obtained.