

## MOLES

- The mole**
- the standard unit of amount of a substance (mol)
  - the number of particles in a mole is known as **Avogadro's constant ( $N_A$ )**
  - Avogadro's constant has a value of  **$6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$** .

### MOLAR

#### MASS

The mass of one mole of substance. It has units of  **$\text{g mol}^{-1}$**  or  **$\text{kg mol}^{-1}$** .

*e.g. the molar mass of water is  $18 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$*

**molar mass = mass of one particle x Avogadro's constant** ( $6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ )

*Example* If 1 atom has a mass of  $1.241 \times 10^{-23} \text{g}$   
 1 mole of atoms will have a mass of  $1.241 \times 10^{-23} \text{g} \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} = 7.471 \text{g}$

**Q.1** Calculate the mass of one mole of carbon-12 atoms. [ mass of proton  $1.672 \times 10^{-24} \text{g}$ , mass of neutron  $1.674 \times 10^{-24} \text{g}$ , mass of electron  $9.109 \times 10^{-28} \text{g}$  ]

### MOLE CALCULATIONS

<b>Substances</b>	mass	<b>g</b>	or	<b>kg</b>
	molar mass	<b><math>\text{g mol}^{-1}</math></b>	or	<b><math>\text{kg mol}^{-1}</math></b>

$$\text{moles} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{molar mass}}$$

*Example* Calculate the number of moles of oxygen molecules in 4g

oxygen molecules have the formula  $\text{O}_2$   
 the relative mass will be  $2 \times 16 = 32$  so the molar mass will be  $32 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$

$$\text{moles} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{molar mass}} = \frac{4 \text{g}}{32 \text{g mol}^{-1}} \quad \text{ANS. } 0.125 \text{ mol}$$

**Q.2** Calculate the number of moles in

10g of Ca atoms

4g of hydrogen atoms

10g of  $\text{CaCO}_3$

4g of hydrogen molecules

Calculate the mass of...

2 mol of  $\text{CH}_4$

6 mol of nitrogen atoms

0.5 mol of  $\text{NaNO}_3$

6 mol of nitrogen molecules

**Solutions**      molarity      concentration /  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$   
                          volume       $\text{dm}^3$  or  $\text{cm}^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles} &= \text{concentration} \times \text{volume} \\ &= \text{molarity} \times \text{volume in dm}^3 \\ &= \frac{\text{molarity} \times \text{volume in cm}^3}{1000} \end{aligned}$$

*The 1000 takes into account that there are 1000 cm<sup>3</sup> in 1dm<sup>3</sup>*

**Example 1** Calculate the number of moles of sodium hydroxide in 25cm<sup>3</sup> of 2M NaOH

$$\begin{aligned} \text{moles} &= \frac{\text{molarity} \times \text{volume in cm}^3}{1000} \\ &= \frac{2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \times 25\text{cm}^3}{1000} \quad \quad \quad \text{ANS. } 0.05 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

**Example 2** What volume of 0.1M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> contains 0.002 moles ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{volume} &= \frac{1000 \times \text{moles}}{\text{molarity}} \quad (\text{re-arrangement of above}) \\ \text{in cm}^3 & \\ &= \frac{1000 \times 0.002}{0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}} \quad \quad \quad \text{ANS. } 20 \text{ cm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3** 4.24g of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> is dissolved in water and the solution made up to 250 cm<sup>3</sup>. What is the concentration of the solution in mol dm<sup>-3</sup> ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{molar mass of Na}_2\text{CO}_3 &= 106\text{g mol}^{-1} \\ \text{no. of moles in } 250\text{cm}^3 &= 4.24\text{g} / 106\text{g mol}^{-1} = 0.04 \text{ moles} \\ \text{no. of moles in } 1000\text{cm}^3 \text{ (1dm}^3\text{)} &= 0.16 \text{ moles} \quad \quad \quad \text{ANS. } 0.16 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

**Q.3** Calculate the number of moles in  
1dm<sup>3</sup> of 2M NaOH

250cm<sup>3</sup> of 2M NaOH

5dm<sup>3</sup> of 0.1M HCl

25cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.2M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

Calculate the concentration (in moles dm<sup>-3</sup>) of solutions containing  
0.2 moles of HCl in 2dm<sup>3</sup>

0.1 moles of NaOH in 25cm<sup>3</sup>

## EMPIRICAL FORMULAE AND MOLECULAR FORMULAE

### Empirical Formula

*Description* Expresses the elements in a simple ratio (e.g. CH<sub>2</sub>).  
It can sometimes be the same as the molecular formula (e.g H<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub>)

*Calculations* You need

- mass, or percentage mass, of each element present
- relative atomic masses of the elements present

*Example 1* Calculate the empirical formula of a compound containing C (48%), H (4%) and O (48%)

	C	H	O
1) Write out percentages (by mass)	48%	4%	48%
2) Divide by the relative atomic mass	48/12	4/1	48/16
... this gives a molar ratio	4	4	3
3) If not whole numbers then scale up			
4) Express as a formula	<b>C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>		

*Example 2* Calculate the empirical formula of a compound with C (1.8g), O (0.48g), H (0.3g)

	C	H	O
1) Write out ratios by mass	1.8	0.3	0.48
2) Divide by relative atomic mass	1.8 / 12	0.3 / 1	0.48 / 16
(this gives the molar ratio)	0.15	0.3	0.03
3) If not whole numbers then scale up			
- try dividing by smallest value (0.03)	5	10	1
4) Express as a formula	<b>C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O</b>		

### Molecular Formula

*Description* Exact number of atoms of each element in the formula (e.g. C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>)

*Calculations* Compare empirical formula relative molecular mass. The relative molecular mass of a compound will be an exact multiple (x1, x2 etc.) of its relative empirical mass.

*Example* Calculate the molecular formula of a compound of empirical formula CH<sub>2</sub> and relative molecular mass 84.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{mass of CH}_2 \text{ unit} &= 14 \\
 \text{divide molecular mass (84) by 14} &= 6 \\
 \text{molecular formula} &= \text{empirical formula} \times 6 = \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

## MOLAR MASS CALCULATIONS

### RELATIVE MASS

#### *Relative Atomic Mass ( $A_r$ )*

The mass of an atom relative to that of the carbon 12 isotope having a value of 12.000

or 
$$\frac{\text{average mass per atom of an element} \times 12}{\text{mass of an atom of } ^{12}\text{C}}$$

#### \* *Relative Molecular Mass ( $M_r$ )*

The sum of all the relative atomic masses present in a molecule

or 
$$\frac{\text{average mass of a molecule} \times 12}{\text{mass of an atom of } ^{12}\text{C}}$$

**NB** \* *Relative Formula Mass is used if the species is ionic*

### MOLAR VOLUME

At rtp **The molar volume of any gas at rtp is  $24 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$  ( $0.024 \text{ m}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ )**

**rtp** Room Temperature and Pressure

At stp **The molar volume of any gas at stp is  $22.4 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$  ( $0.0224 \text{ m}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ )**

**stp** Standard Temperature and Pressure (**273K and  $1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$** )

*example* 0.5g of a gas occupies  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  at rtp. Calculate its molar mass.

$250 \text{ cm}^3$	<i>has a mass of</i>	0.5g	
$1000 \text{ cm}^3$ ( $1 \text{ dm}^3$ )	<i>has a mass of</i>	2.0g	<i>x4 to convert to <math>\text{dm}^3</math></i>
$24 \text{ dm}^3$	<i>has a mass of</i>	48.0g	<i>x24 to convert to <math>24 \text{ dm}^3</math></i>

**ANSWER:** The molar mass is  $48.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$

**Q.4** Calculate the mass of...

a)  $2.4 \text{ dm}^3$  of carbon dioxide,  $\text{CO}_2$  at rtp

b)  $120 \text{ cm}^3$  of sulphur dioxide,  $\text{SO}_2$  at rtp

c) 0.08g of a gaseous hydrocarbon occupies  $120 \text{ cm}^3$  at rtp. Identify the gas.

Calculations methods include using

- the ideal gas equation  $PV = nRT$
- the Molar Volume at stp

For 1 mole of gas

$$PV = RT$$

for n moles of gas

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also

$$PV = \frac{mRT}{M}$$

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where	P	pressure	Pascals (Pa) or $\text{N m}^{-2}$
	V	volume	$\text{m}^3$ (there are $10^6 \text{ cm}^3$ in a $\text{m}^3$ )
	n	number of moles of gas	
	R	gas constant	$8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
	T	temperature	Kelvin ( $\text{K} = ^\circ\text{C} + 273$ )
	m	mass	g or Kg
	M	molar mass	$\text{g mol}^{-1}$ or $\text{Kg mol}^{-1}$

Old units **1 atmosphere** is equivalent to **760 mm/Hg** or  **$1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$**  ( $\text{Nm}^{-2}$ )  
 1 litre ( $1 \text{ dm}^3$ ) is equivalent to  $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$

**Example 1** Calculate the number of moles of gas present in  $500 \text{ cm}^3$  at  $100 \text{ KPa}$  pressure and at a temperature of  $27^\circ\text{C}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P &= 100 \text{ KPa} && = 100000 \text{ Pa} \\ V &= 500 \text{ cm}^3 && \times 10^{-6} = 0.0005 \text{ m}^3 \\ T &= 27 + 273 && = 300 \text{ K} \\ R &= 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} && = 8.31 \end{aligned}$$

$$PV = nRT \quad \therefore n = \frac{PV}{RT} = \frac{100000 \times 0.0005}{300 \times 8.31} = \mathbf{0.02 \text{ moles}}$$

**Example 2** Calculate the relative molecular mass of a vapour if  $0.2 \text{ g}$  of gas occupy  $400 \text{ cm}^3$  at a temperature of  $223^\circ\text{C}$  and a pressure of  $100 \text{ KPa}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P &= 100 \text{ KPa} && = 100000 \text{ Pa} \\ V &= 400 \text{ cm}^3 && \times 10^{-6} = 0.0004 \text{ m}^3 \\ T &= 227 + 273 && = 500 \text{ K} \\ m &= 0.27 \text{ g} && = 0.27 \text{ g} \\ R &= 8.31 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} && = 8.31 \end{aligned}$$

$$PV = \frac{mRT}{M} \quad \therefore M = \frac{mRT}{PV} = \frac{0.27 \times 500 \times 8.31}{100000 \times 0.0004} = \mathbf{28.04}$$

**Calculation** The volume of a gas varies with temperature and pressure. To convert a volume to that which it will occupy at stp (or any other temperature and pressure) one use the relationship which is derived from Boyle's Law and Charles' Law.

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

where **P<sub>1</sub>** initial pressure  
**V<sub>1</sub>** initial volume  
**T<sub>1</sub>** initial temperature (in Kelvin)

**P<sub>2</sub>** final (in this case, standard) pressure  
**V<sub>2</sub>** final volume (in this case, at stp)  
**T<sub>2</sub>** final (in this case, standard) temperature (in Kelvin)

**Calculations** Convert the volume of gas to that at stp then scale it up to the molar volume. The mass of gas occupying 22.4 dm<sup>3</sup> (22.4 litres, 22400cm<sup>3</sup>) is the molar mass.

**Experiment** It is possible to calculate the molar mass of a gas by measuring the volume of a given mass of gas and applying the above equations.

**Methods**

- **Gas syringe method**
- Victor Meyer method
- Dumas bulb method

**Example** A sample of gas occupies 0.25 dm<sup>3</sup> at 100°C and 5000 Pa pressure. Calculate its volume at stp [273K and 100 kPa].

<i>P<sub>1</sub></i> initial pressure	= 5000 Pa	<i>P<sub>2</sub></i> final pressure	= 100000 Pa
<i>V<sub>1</sub></i> initial volume	= 0.25 dm <sup>3</sup>	<i>V<sub>2</sub></i> final volume	= ?
<i>T<sub>1</sub></i> initial temperature	= 373K	<i>T<sub>2</sub></i> temperature	= 273K

thus 
$$\frac{5000 \times 0.25}{373} = \frac{100000 \times V_2}{273}$$

therefore 
$$V_2 = \frac{273 \times 5000 \times 0.25}{373 \times 100000} = 0.00915 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ (9.15 dm}^3\text{)}$$

## Gay-Lussac's Law of Combining Volumes

*Statement* "When gases combine they do so in volumes that are in a simple ratio to each other and to that of any gaseous product(s) "

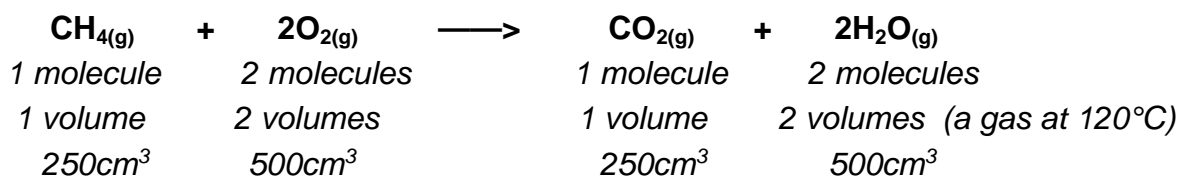
N.B. all volumes must be measured at the same temperature and pressure.

## Avogadro's Theory

*Statement* "Equal volumes of all gases, at the same temperature and pressure, contain equal numbers of molecules "

**Calculations** Gay-Lussac's Law and Avogadro's Theory are used for reacting gas calculations.

*example 1* What volume of oxygen will be needed to ensure that 250cm<sup>3</sup> methane undergoes complete combustion at 120°C? How much carbon dioxide will be formed?

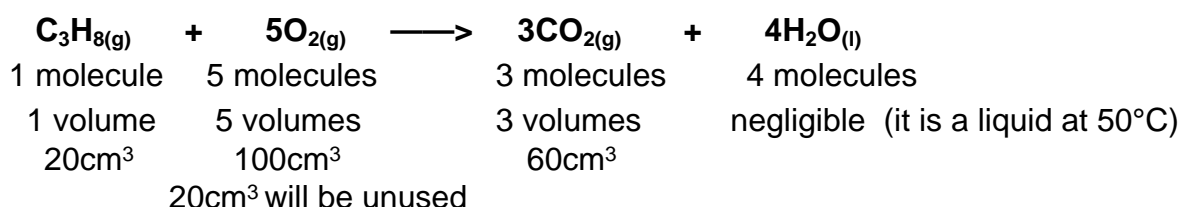


**ANS.** 500cm<sup>3</sup> of oxygen and 250cm<sup>3</sup> of carbon dioxide.

*Special tips* An excess of one reagent is often included; e.g. excess O<sub>2</sub> ensures complete combustion

Check the temperature, and state symbols, to check which compounds are not gases. This is especially important when water is present in the equation.

*example 2* 20cm<sup>3</sup> of propane vapour is reacted with 120cm<sup>3</sup> of oxygen at 50°C. Calculate the composition of the final mixture at the same temperature and pressure?



**ANSWER** 20cm<sup>3</sup> of unused oxygen and 60cm<sup>3</sup> of carbon dioxide.

example 3 1g of gas occupies  $278\text{cm}^3$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  and 2 atm pressure. Calculate its molar mass.

$$\text{i) convert to stp} \quad \frac{2 \times 278}{298} = \frac{1 \times V}{273} \quad V = \frac{278 \times 2 \times 273}{1 \times 298} = 509 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{ii) convert to molar volume} \quad \begin{array}{llll} 1\text{g} & \text{occupies} & 509\text{cm}^3 & \text{at stp} \\ 1/509\text{g} & \text{occupies} & 1\text{cm}^3 & \\ 22400 \times 1/509\text{g} & \text{occupies} & 22400\text{cm}^3 & \end{array}$$

$$\text{therefore} \quad 44\text{g} \quad \text{occupies} \quad 22.4 \text{ dm}^3 \quad \text{at stp}$$

**ANSWER:** The molar mass is  $44\text{g mol}^{-1}$

### Q.5

• Convert the following volumes into  $\text{m}^3$

a)  $1\text{dm}^3$

b)  $250\text{cm}^3$

c)  $0.1\text{cm}^3$

• Convert the following temperatures into Kelvin

a)  $100^\circ\text{C}$

b)  $137^\circ\text{C}$

c)  $-23^\circ\text{C}$

• Calculate the volume of 0.5 mol of propane gas at 298K and  $10^5 \text{ Pa}$  pressure

• Calculate the mass of propane ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ ) contained in a  $0.01 \text{ m}^3$  flask maintained at a temperature of 273K and a pressure of 250kPa.



## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

**Q.1**  $2.0089 \times 10^{23} \text{g}$

**Q.2**  $10/40 = 0.25 \text{ mol}$   
 $4/1 = 4 \text{ mol}$   
 $2 \times 16 \text{g} = 32 \text{g mol of CH}_4$   
 $6 \times 14 \text{g} = 84 \text{g}$   
 $10/100 = 0.1 \text{ mol}$   
 $4/2 = 2 \text{ mol}$   
 $0.5 \times 85 \text{g} = 42.5 \text{g}$   
 $6 \times 28 \text{g} = 168 \text{g}$

**Q.3** Calculate the number of moles in  
 $2 \text{ mol}$   
 $5 \text{ mol}$   
 $0.005 \text{ mol } (5 \times 10^{-3})$   
 $0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$   
 $4 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

**Q.4** Calculate the mass of...

a)  $0.1 \text{ mol}$   $4.4 \text{g}$   
 b)  $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   $32 \text{g}$   
 c)  $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$   $M_r = 160$  Formula =  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}$

- Q.5** • Convert the following volumes into  $\text{m}^3$   
 a)  $0.001$  or  $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$   
 b)  $0.00025$  or  $2.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$   
 c)  $1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^3$
- Convert the following temperatures into Kelvin  
 a)  $373 \text{K}$   
 b)  $400 \text{K}$   
 c)  $250 \text{K}$