

# Chapter 3

# Compositions of Substances and Solutions



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# Percent Composition

- Percentage of each element in a compound by mass
- Can be determined from
  1. the formula of the compound
  2. the experimental mass analysis of the compound
- The percentages may not always total to 100% due to rounding

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{\text{part}}{\text{whole}} \times 100\%$$

Find the mass percent of Cl in



Practice — Determine the mass percent composition of the following

- $\text{CaCl}_2$  (AM Ca = 40.08 amu, Cl = 35.45 amu)

Practice — Benzaldehyde is 79.2% carbon. What mass of benzaldehyde contains 19.8 g of C?

Find the mass of hydrogen in 1.00 gal of water

$$d_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 1.00 \text{ g/ml}, 3.785 \text{ L} = 1 \text{ gal}$$

How many grams of sodium are in 6.2 g of NaCl? (AM Na = 22.99 amu; Cl = 35.45 amu)

# Empirical Formula

- Simplest, whole-number ratio of the atoms of elements in a compound
- NaCl (ratio of Na and Cl = 1:1)
- CH<sub>2</sub>O (ratio of C:H:O = 1:2:1)
- Can be determined from elemental analysis (traditional chemical analysis)
  - masses of elements formed when a compound is decompose, or that react together to form a compound
    - combustion analysis
  - percent composition



# Finding an Empirical Formula

1. Convert the percentages to grams
  - a) assume you start with 100 g of the compound
  - b) skip if already grams
2. Convert grams to moles
  - a) use molar mass of each element
3. Write a pseudoformula using moles as subscripts
4. Divide all by smallest number of moles
  - a) if result is within 0.1 of whole number, round to whole number
5. Multiply all mole ratios by number to make all whole numbers
  - a) if ratio  $\approx .5$ , multiply all by 2; if ratio  $\approx .33$  or  $\approx .67$ , multiply all by 3; if ratio 0.25 or 0.75, multiply all by 4; etc.
  - b) skip if already whole numbers

## Example (see previous page for procedure)

- Laboratory analysis of aspirin determined the following mass percent composition. Find the empirical formula.

$$\text{C} = 60.00\%$$

$$\text{H} = 4.48\%$$

$$\text{O} = 35.53\%$$

Determine the empirical formula of stannous fluoride, which contains 75.7% Sn (AM: 118.70 amu) and the rest fluorine (AM: 19.00 amu)

Determine the empirical formula of magnetite, which contains 72.4% Fe (AM: 55.85 amu) and the rest oxygen (AM: 16.00 amu)

# Molecular Formulas

- Meaningful only molecular compounds
- The molecular formula is a multiple of the empirical formula
- To determine the molecular formula you need to know the empirical formula and the molar mass (molecular weight) of the compound

$$\frac{\text{Molar Mass}_{\text{molecular formula}}}{\text{Molar Mass}_{\text{empirical formula}}} = \text{multiplying factor, } n$$

# Find the molecular formula of butanedione

**Given:** emp. form. =  $C_2H_3O$ ;

MM = 86.03 g/mol

**Find:** molecular formula

Benzopyrene has a molar mass of 252 g/mol and an empirical formula of  $C_5H_3$ . What is its molecular formula? (AM C = 12.01 amu, H=1.0 amu)

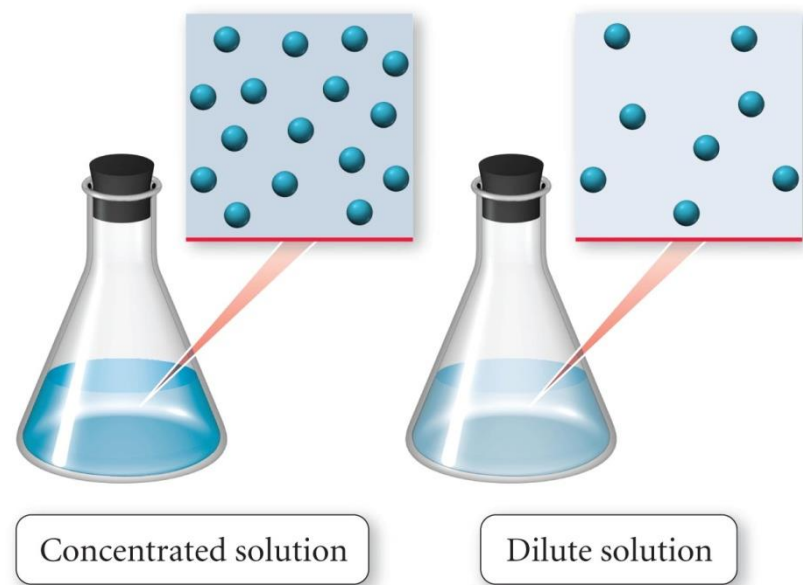
# Solution: Solute (Table Salt) + Solvent (Water)





# Solution Concentration

- Qualitatively, solutions are often described as dilute or concentrated
- **Dilute solutions** have a small amount of solute compared to solvent
- **Concentrated solutions** have a large amount of solute compared to solvent



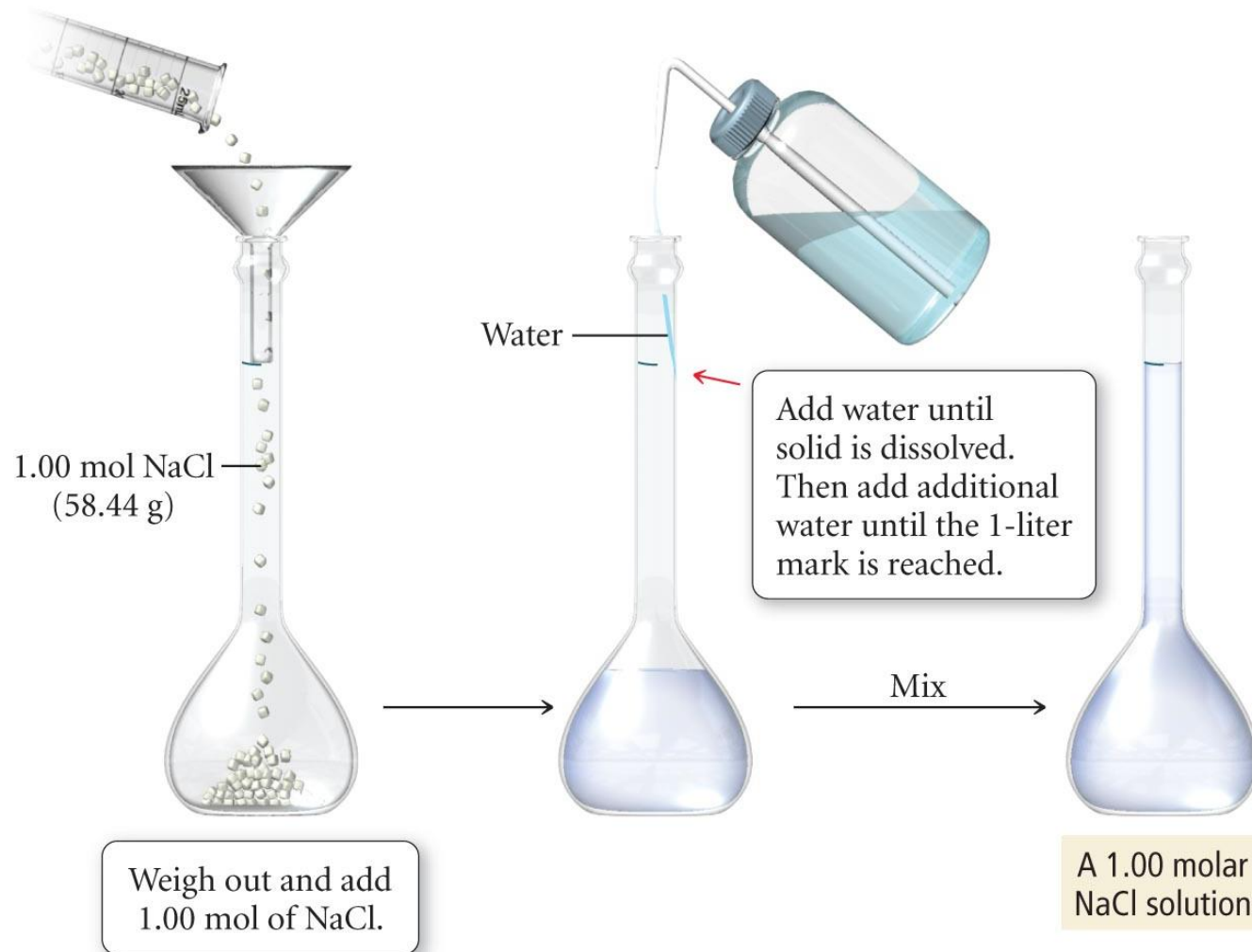
# Solution Concentration

## Molarity (M)

- Moles of solute per 1 liter of solution
- Used because it describes how many molecules of solute in each liter of solution

$$\text{molarity, } M = \frac{\text{amount of solute (in moles)}}{\text{amount of solution (in L)}}$$

# Preparing 1 L of a 1.00 M NaCl Solution



Find the molarity (M) of a solution that has 25.5 g KBr (FM, 119 amu) dissolved in 1.75 L of solution

Practice — What Is the molarity (M) of a solution containing 3.4 g of  $\text{NH}_3$  (MM 17.03 amu) in 200.0 mL of solution?

# Using Molarity (M) in Calculations

- Molarity shows the relationship between the moles of solute and liters of solution
- If a sugar solution concentration is 2.0 M, then 1 liter of solution contains 2.0 moles of sugar

- 2 liters = 4.0 moles sugar
- 0.5 liters = 1.0 mole sugar

$$\frac{2 \text{ mol sugar}}{1 \text{ L solution}}$$

How many liters (L) of 0.125 M NaOH contain  
0.255 mol NaOH?

Determine the mass of  $\text{CaCl}_2$   
(FM = 110.98 amu) in 1.75 L of 1.50 M solution



Practice – How would you prepare 250.0 mL of 0.150 M  $\text{CaCl}_2$  (FM = 110.98 amu)?

# Dilution

- To make solutions of lower concentrations from these stock solutions, more solvent is added
  - the amount of solute (mole) doesn't change, just the volume of solution
- The concentrations and volumes of the stock and new solutions are inversely proportional

$$M_1 \cdot V_1 = M_2 \cdot V_2$$

To what volume should you dilute 0.200 L of 15.0 M NaOH to make 3.00 M NaOH?

What is the concentration of a solution prepared by diluting 45.0 mL of 8.25 M  $\text{HNO}_3$  to 135.0 mL?

# Concentration: percent (%), parts per million (ppm), and parts per billion (ppb)

- Definitions:

$$\text{mass \%} = \frac{\text{mass of component in solution (g)}}{\text{total mass of solution (g)}} \times 100$$

$$\text{ppm of component} = \frac{\text{mass of component in solution (g)}}{\text{total mass of solution (g)}} \times 10^6$$

$$\text{ppb of component} = \frac{\text{mass of component in solution (g)}}{\text{total mass of solution (g)}} \times 10^9$$

# %, ppm, ppb

(a) A solution made by dissolving 13.5 g of glucose in 0.1 kg of water

(b) A 2.5 g sample of ground water containing 5.4  $\mu\text{g}$  of  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$

# Example

Sea water is typically 3.5% salt and has a density of  $1.03 \text{ gmL}^{-1}$ . How many grams of salt is required to fill 62.5 L of aquarium?

# Homework

To be announced