

Chemistry 11 Calculating Molar Mass

Atoms are so small that in order to calculate mass, we will need a large number of them. Amedeo Avogadro (1776 - 1856), a famous lawyer-turned-mathematician-physicist, concluded that **1 mole of a substance** is the number of atoms of ¹²carbon in 12 grams of ¹²carbon. Scientists have now calculated that the number of atoms in 12.0 grams of carbon was 6.02×10^{23} atoms. This became known as "Avogadro's Number".

Note: the picture on the left is NOT Avogadro – the picture on the right is!



HOW BIG IS A MOLE?

- A **mole** of marbles spread over the Earth's surface would cover it to a depth of 80km!
- If you spent one billion dollars a day, you couldn't spend a **mole** of dollars in a trillion years!
- A **mole** of Coke cans would cover the surface of the earth to a depth of over 450km!
- If you had a **mole** of unpopped popcorn kernels, and spread them across the United States of America, the country would be covered in popcorn to a depth of over 15km!
- If we were able to count atoms at the rate of 10 million per second, it would take about 2 billion years to count the atoms in one **mole!**

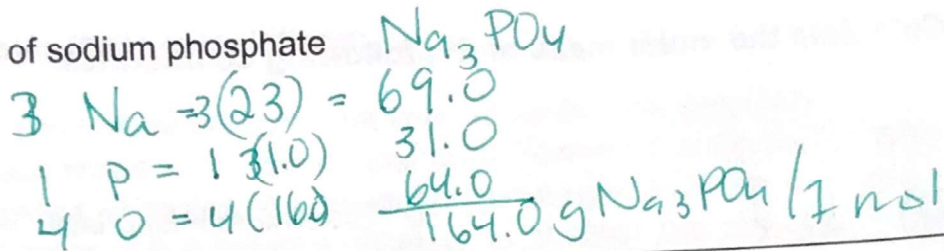
Molar Mass – the amount of mass (g) per mole of substance (units are g/mol)
Molar mass is calculated by using the mass values on the Periodic Table.
Look for the atomic mass and multiply by the number of atoms in the element or compound, then add the values together. Always expressed the answer to one decimal place with the units g/mol.

For example: H₂O

$$\begin{aligned} 2(H) &= 2(1.0) = 2.0 \\ 1(O) &= 1(16.0) = 16.0 \\ \hline &18.0 \text{ g H}_2\text{O} / 1 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

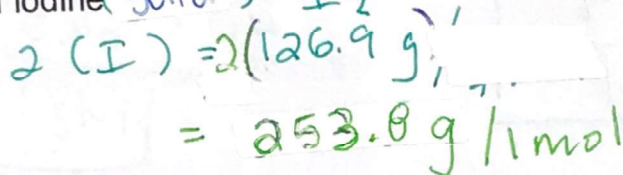
PART B: Calculate the mass (g) for the following substances.

1. 1.5 mol of sodium phosphate



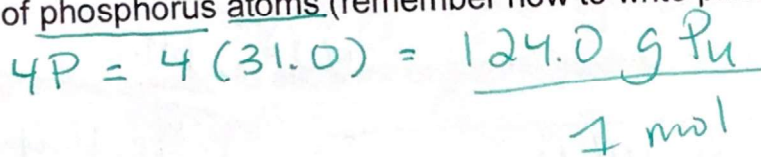
1.5 mol	$\frac{164.0 \text{ g Na}_3\text{PO}_4}{1 \text{ mol}}$	=	250 g Na_3PO_4
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2. 1.25 mol of iodine solid $\rightarrow \text{I}_2$



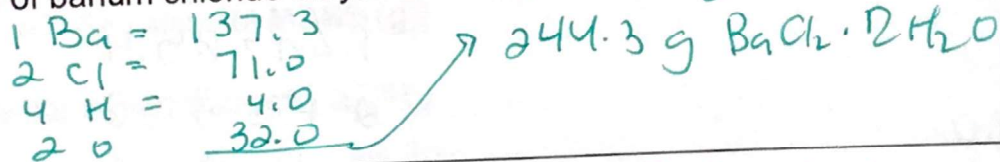
1.25 mol I_2	$\frac{253.8 \text{ g I}_2}{1 \text{ mol}}$	=	317 g I_2
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3. 20.0 mol of phosphorus atoms (remember how to write phosphorus!)



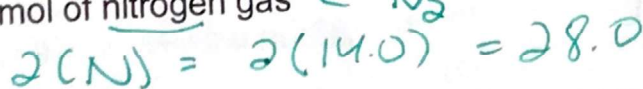
20.0 mol P	$\frac{124.0 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol}}$	=	2480 g P_4
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4. 0.15 mol of barium chloride dihydrate $\rightarrow \text{BaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$



0.15 mol	$\frac{244.3 \text{ g BaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mol}}$	=	37 g $\text{BaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
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5. 0.0020 mol of nitrogen gas $\leftarrow \text{N}_2$



0.0020 mol	$\frac{28.0 \text{ g N}_2}{1 \text{ mol}}$	=	0.056 g N_2
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1. CO₂

$$1 \text{ (C)} = 1(12.0) = 12.0$$

$$2 \text{ (O)} = 2(16.0) = 32.0$$

$$\frac{44.0 \text{ g CO}_2}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

2. SrCl₂ · 4H₂O

$$1 \text{ (Sr)} = 87.6$$

$$2 \text{ (Cl)} = 71.0$$

$$8 \text{ (H)} = 8.0$$

$$4 \text{ (O)} = 64.0$$

$$\frac{230.6 \text{ g SrCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

3. NH₄NO₃

$$1 \text{ N} = 14.0$$

$$4 \text{ H} = 4.0$$

$$1 \text{ N} = 14.0$$

$$3 \text{ O} = 48.0$$

$$\frac{80.0 \text{ g NH}_4\text{NO}_3}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

4. PbO

$$1 \text{ Pb} = 207.2$$

$$1 \text{ O} = 16.0$$

$$\frac{223.2 \text{ g PbO}}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

5. Chromium II sulphate → Cr (SO₄)

$$1 \text{ Cr} = 52.0$$

$$1 \text{ S} = 32.1$$

$$4 \text{ O} = 64.0$$

$$\frac{148.1 \text{ g CrSO}_4}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

6. phosphoric acid → H₃PO₄

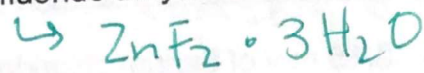
$$3 \text{ H} = 3.0$$

$$1 \text{ P} = 31.0$$

$$4 \text{ O} = 64.0$$

$$\frac{98.0 \text{ g H}_3\text{PO}_4}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

7. zinc fluoride trihydrate



$$1 \text{ Zn} = 65.4$$

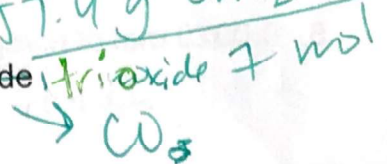
$$2 \text{ F} = 38.0$$

$$6 \text{ H} = 6.0$$

$$3 \text{ O} = 48.0$$

$$\frac{157.4 \text{ g ZnF}_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

8. carbon dioxide



$$1 \text{ C} = 12.0$$

$$3 \text{ O} = 3(16.0) = 48.0$$

$$\frac{60.0 \text{ g CO}_2}{1 \text{ mol}}$$

PART C: Calculate the number of moles (mol) in each of the compounds.

1. 4.8 g of aluminum ←

$$1 \text{ (Al)} = 27.0 \text{ g} / 1 \text{ mol}$$

4.8 g	1 mol Al	0.18 mol Al
	27.0 g	

2. 485 g of oxygen gas ← O₂

$$2 \text{ (O)} = 2 \text{ (16)} = 32.0 \text{ g} / 1 \text{ mol}$$

485 g	1 mol	15.2 mol O ₂
	32.0 g	

3. 3.0 g of silver bromide ← AgBr

$$1 \text{ Ag} = 107.9$$

$$1 \text{ Br} = 79.9$$

$$187.8 \text{ g} / 1 \text{ mol}$$

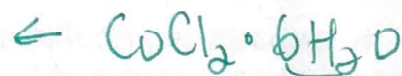
3.0 g AgBr	1 mol	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mol AgBr
	187.8 g	

4. 34.0 g of sodium phosphate ← Na₃PO₄ (from Part B #1)

$$164.0 \text{ g} / 1 \text{ mol}$$

34.0 g	1 mol	0.207 mol Na ₃ PO ₄
	164.0 g	

5. 100.0 g of Cobalt II Chloride hexahydrate molecules ←



$$1 \text{ Co} = 58.9$$

$$2 \text{ Cl} = 71.0$$

$$129.9$$

$$12 \text{ H} = 12.0$$

$$6 \text{ O} = 96.0$$

$$+ 108.0 \text{ g}$$

$$= 237.9 \text{ g}$$

100.0 g $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1 mol	0.4203 mol $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$
	237.9 g	