

Introduction to Physical Science

Molarity
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Solutions

- A solution is a homogeneous mixture
- Concentration
 - Relative amount of a given component of the solution
- Solvent
 - Component of solution that has a vastly greater quantity than other components (aqueous solution - dissolved in water)
- Solute
 - Component of the solution that is a much lower quantity
 - Dilute - low concentration
 - Concentrated - high concentration

Molarity

- Molarity is defined as the number of moles of solute in exactly 1 liter of solution
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Example

$$V = 355 \text{ mL} = 0.355 \text{ L}$$
$$0.133 \text{ mol sucrose}$$

$$M = \frac{\text{mol solute}}{\text{L solution}} = \frac{0.133 \text{ mol}}{0.355 \text{ L}}$$

- A 355 mL soft drink contains 0.133 mol of sucrose. What is the molar concentration of sucrose in the beverage?

$$M = 0.375 \text{ M}$$

Example

$$M = 0.375 \text{ M}; V = 10 \text{ mL} = 0.01 \text{ L}$$

$$M = \frac{\text{mol solute}}{\text{L solution}}$$

- How many moles of sugar are contained in a sip (10 mL) of the soft drink from the previous example?

$$\text{mol solute} = M \times \text{L solution}$$

$$\text{mol solute} = 0.375 \frac{\text{mol sugar}}{\text{L}} \times 0.01 \text{ L}$$

$$\text{mol solute} = 0.004 \text{ mol sugar}$$

Example

$$V = 0.500 \text{ L}; m = 25.2 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{C: } 2 \times 12.01; \text{ O: } 2 \times 16.00; \text{ H: } 4 \times 1.008$$

$$24.02 + 32.00 + 4.032 = 60.052 \text{ g/mol}$$

- White vinegar is acetic acid () in water. A 0.500 L vinegar solution contains 25.2 g of acetic acid. What is the molarity of the solution?

$$M = \frac{\text{mol solute}}{\text{L solution}}$$

$$M = \frac{25.2 \text{ g } \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol } \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}}{60.052 \text{ g } \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}}}{0.500 \text{ L solution}}$$

$$M = 0.839 \text{ M}$$

Example

$$V = 0.250 \text{ L}; M = 5.30 \text{ M}$$

$$M = \frac{\text{mol solute}}{\text{L solution}}; \text{mol solute} = M \times \text{L solution}$$

- How many grams of NaCl are contained in 0.250 L of a 5.30 M solution?

$$\text{mol solute} = 5.30 \frac{\text{mol NaCl}}{\text{L}} \times 0.250 \text{ L} = 1.325 \text{ mol NaCl}$$

$$\text{Na: } 1 \times 22.99; \text{ Cl: } 1 \times 35.45$$

$$\text{Formula mass} = 58.44$$

$$1.325 \text{ mol NaCl} \times \frac{58.44 \text{ g NaCl}}{\text{mol NaCl}} = 77.4 \text{ g NaCl}$$

Example

$$m = 75.6 \text{ g}; M = 0.839 \text{ M}$$

$$\text{g solute} \times \frac{\text{mol solute}}{\text{g solute}} = \text{mol solute}$$

- The molarity of an acetic acid solution is 0.839 M. What volume of vinegar contains 75.6 g of acetic acid?

$$\text{mol solute} \times \frac{\text{L solution}}{\text{mol solute}} = \text{L solution}$$

$$\text{g solute} \times \frac{\text{mol solute}}{\text{g solute}} \times \frac{\text{L solution}}{\text{mol solute}} = \text{L solution}$$

$$75.6 \text{ g } \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H} \times \frac{\text{mol } \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}}{60.05 \text{ g}} \times \frac{\text{L solution}}{0.839 \text{ mol } \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}}$$

$$1.50 \text{ L solution}$$

Dilution of solutions

- Dilution occurs when more solvent is added, lowering the concentration of the solution
 - Dilution equation
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 - C = concentration ; V = volume

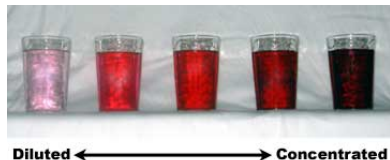


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Example

$$C_1 = 5.00 \text{ M}; V_1 = 0.850 \text{ L}; V_2 = 1.80 \text{ L}$$

$$C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$$

$$C_2 = \frac{C_1 V_1}{V_2}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{5.00 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}}{1.80 \text{ L}} = 2.36 \text{ M}$$

- If 0.850 L of a 5.00 M solution of copper nitrate () is diluted to a volume of 1.80 L by the addition of water, what is the molarity of the diluted solution?

Example

$$V_1 = 11 \text{ mL} = 0.011 \text{ L}$$
$$C_1 = 0.45 \text{ M}; C_2 = 0.12 \text{ M}$$

$$C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$$

$$V_2 = \frac{C_1 V_1}{C_2}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{(0.45 \text{ M})(0.011 \text{ L})}{(0.12 \text{ M})} = 0.041 \text{ L}$$

- What volume of 0.12 M HBr can be prepared from 11 mL of 0.45 M HBr?

Example

$$V_2 = 5.00 \text{ L}; C_2 = 0.100 \text{ M}; C_1 = 1.59 \text{ M}$$

$$C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$$

$$V_1 = \frac{C_2 V_2}{C_1}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{(0.100 \text{ M})(5.00 \text{ L})}{(1.59 \text{ M})} = 0.314 \text{ L}$$

- What volume of 1.59 M KOH is required to prepare 5.00 L of 0.100 M KOH?

Summary

- The relative amount of a given solution component is called its concentration
- The solvent has the significantly greater concentration ; the solute has a much smaller concentration
- The molarity of a solution is the number of moles of the solute in one liter of the solution