

Calculating relative formula mass

- Look *carefully* at the compound.
 - CO_2
- Find out what elements you have and how many there are of each.
 - C = Carbon O = Oxygen (x2)
- Use the periodic table to check the mass number (relative atomic mass)
 - Carbon has a mass number of 12; Oxygen has a mass number of 16.
- Add up the mass numbers (remember to multiply if there is more than 1 element)
 - $12 + (16 \times 2) = 44$

Finding the relative formula mass:

Find the M_r of the following:

$$\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \quad (2 \times 56) + (3 \times 16) = 160$$

$$\text{CuCO}_3 \quad 63.5 + 12 + (3 \times 16) = 123.5$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \quad (2 \times 1) + 32 + (4 \times 16) = 98$$

Calculating Percentage Mass

Percentage mass = A_r of the element / M_r of the compound $\times 100$

e.g. Find the percentage of calcium in calcium carbonate, CaCO_3

- **Step 1: Work out the M_r of the compound**

$$M_r \text{ of } \text{CaCO}_3 = 40 + 12 + (3 \times 16) = 100$$

- **Step 2: Work out the A_r of all the atoms of the element you are interested in**

There is only 1 Ca atom so $1 \times 40 = 40$

- **Step 3: Divide the $A_r / M_r \times 100$**

$$40/100 \times 100 = 40\%$$

Calculating Percentage Mass

Find the percentage of iron in iron(III) oxide, Fe_2O_3

Step 1: Work out the M_r of the compound

- M_r of Fe_2O_3 =

Step 2: Work out the A_r of all the atoms of the element you are interested in

- There are atoms of Fe so the total A_r =

Step 3: Divide the $A_r / M_r \times 100$

Calculating Percentage Mass

Find the percentage of iron in iron(III) oxide, Fe_2O_3

- **Step 1: Work out the M_r of the compound**
 - M_r of $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 = (2 \times 56) + (3 \times 16) = 160$
- **Step 2: Work out the A_r of all the atoms of the element you are interested in**
 - There are **2** atoms of Fe so the total $A_r = 2 \times 56 = 112$
- **Step 3: Divide the $A_r / M_r \times 100$**
 - $(112 / 160) \times 100 = 70\%$

Calculate the minimum **mass of zinc** that needs to be added to **0.500 g of iodine** so that the iodine fully reacts.

The equation for the reaction is:



Relative atomic masses (M_r): **Zn = 65** **I = 127**

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2. Decide which equation you will need to use

$$\text{No. of moles} = \text{mass} / M_r$$

3. Use the equation to find the number of moles of I_2 used

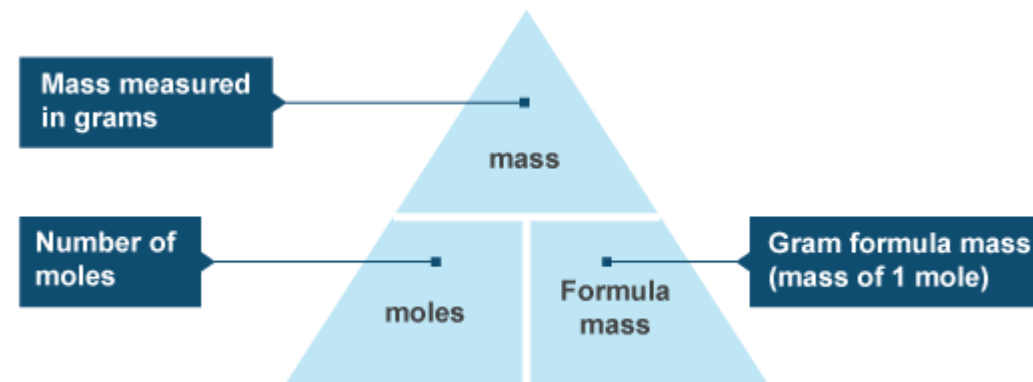
$$\text{No. of moles of } \text{I}_2 = 0.500\text{g} / (2 \times 127) \text{ g/mol} = 0.001968\ldots$$

4. Now you can use the mole ratio to find the number of moles of Zn

1:1 ratio so will be the same no. of moles of Zn

5. Rearrange the equation to find the mass of Zn

$$\text{Mass} = \text{no. of moles} \times M_r = 0.001968\ldots \times 65 = 0.128 \text{ g}$$



A student wanted to make 11.0 g of copper chloride.

The equation for the reaction is:



Relative atomic masses, A_r : H = 1; C = 12; O = 16; Cl = 35.5; Cu = 63.5

Calculate the mass of copper carbonate the student should react with dilute hydrochloric acid to make 11.0 g of copper chloride.

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2. Decide which equation you will need to use

$$\text{No. of moles} = \text{mass} / M_r$$

3. Use the equation to find the number of moles of CuCl_2 used

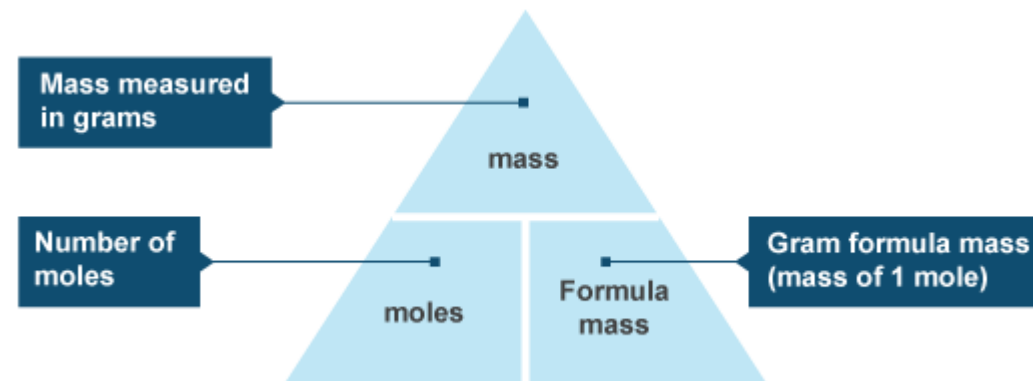
$$\text{No. of moles of CuCl}_2 = 11.0\text{g} / (63.5 + 2(35.5)) = 11.0 / 134.5 = 0.08178\ldots$$

4. Now you can use the mole ratio to find the number of moles of Zn

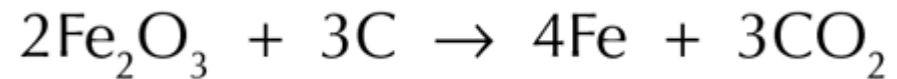
$$\text{No. of moles of CuCl}_2 = \text{no. of moles of CuCO}_3 = 0.08178\ldots$$

5. Rearrange the equation to find the mass of CuCO_3

$$\text{Mass of CuCO}_3 = \text{no. of moles} \times M_r = 0.08178\ldots \times (65 + 12 + 3(16)) = 10.1\text{ g}$$

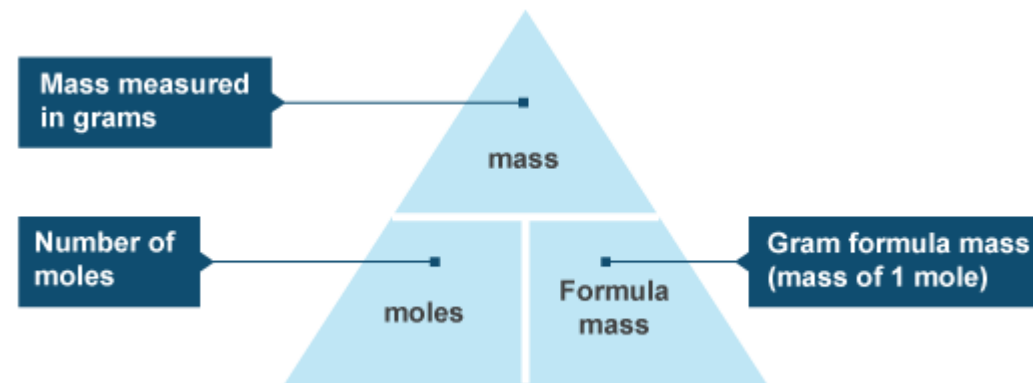


Iron oxide (Fe_2O_3) can be reduced with carbon to form iron (Fe) and carbon dioxide, as shown by the equation below.



Calculate the mass of iron oxide needed to form 32.0 g of iron.

Relative atomic masses, A_r : Fe = 56; O = 16



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2. Decide which equation you will need to use

$\text{No. of moles} = \text{mass} / M_r$

3. Use the equation to find the number of moles of Fe used

$\text{No. of moles of Fe} = 32.0\text{g} / 56 = 0.5714\ldots$

4. Now you can use the mole ratio to find the number of moles of Fe_2O_3

Mole ratio is 2:4, simplified to 1:2 so there are $\frac{1}{2}$ the number of moles of $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 = 0.5 \times 0.5714\ldots$

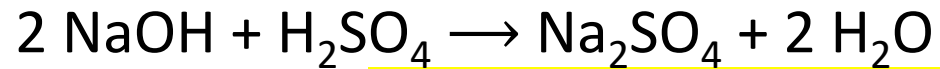
5. Rearrange the equation to find the mass of Fe_2O_3

$\text{Mass of Fe}_2\text{O}_3 = \text{no. of moles} \times M_r = 0.2857\ldots \times (2(56) + 3(16)) = 0.2857\ldots \times 160 = 45.7\text{g}$

A student titrated 25.0 cm³ portions of dilute sulfuric acid with a 0.105 mol/dm³ sodium hydroxide solution.

The table below shows the student's results.

The equation for the reaction is:



Calculate the concentration of the sulfuric acid in mol/dm³

Use only the student's concordant results.

Concordant results are those within 0.10 cm³ of each other.

Titration 1	Titration 2	Titration 3	Titration 4	Titration 5
23.50	21.10	22.10	22.15	22.15

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2. Decide which equation you will need to use

No. of moles = concentration x volume

3. Calculate the volume of sodium hydroxide (NaOH) from the concordant results

Average volume from concordant titres = $(22.10 + 22.15 + 22.15) / 3 = 22.13 \text{ cm}^3$

4. Use the equation to find the number of moles of NaOH used

No. of moles of NaOH = $0.105 \text{ mol/dm}^3 \times (22.13/1000) \text{ dm}^3 = 0.002324 \text{ mol}$

5. Now you can use the mole ratio to find the number of moles of H₂SO₄

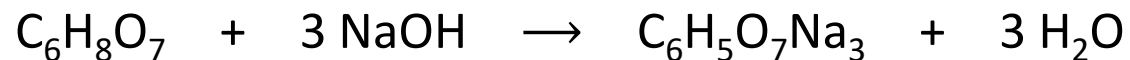
Mole ratio is 2:1, so there are ½ the number of moles of H₂SO₄ = 0.001162 mol

6. Rearrange the equation to find the concentration of H₂SO₄

Conc of H₂SO₄ = no. of moles / vol = $0.001162 / (25/1000) = 0.0465 \text{ mol/dm}^3$

A student titrated 25cm³ citric acid with sodium hydroxide solution.

The equation for the reaction is:



The concentration of the sodium hydroxide was 0.102 mol / dm³

Concordant results are those within 0.10 cm³ of each other.

Calculate the concentration of the citric acid in mol / dm³

Use only the concordant results from the table in your calculation.

You must show your working.

Titration 1	Titration 2	Titration 3	Titration 4	Titration 5
13.50	12.10	11.10	12.15	12.15

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2. Decide which equation you will need to use

No. of moles = concentration x volume

3. Calculate the volume of sodium hydroxide (NaOH) from the concordant results

Average volume from concordant titres = (12.10 + 12.15 + 12.15) / 3 = 12.13 cm³

4. Use the equation to find the number of moles of NaOH used

No. of moles of NaOH = 0.102 mol/dm³ x (12.13/1000) dm³ = 0.0012376 mol

5. Now you can use the mole ratio to find the number of moles of C₆H₈O₇

Mole ratio is 3:1, so there are 1/3 the number of moles of C₆H₈O₇ = 0.0004125333.... mol

6. Rearrange the equation to find the concentration of C₆H₈O₇

Conc of C₆H₈O₇ = no. of moles / vol = 0.0004125... / (25/1000) = 0.0165 mol/dm³