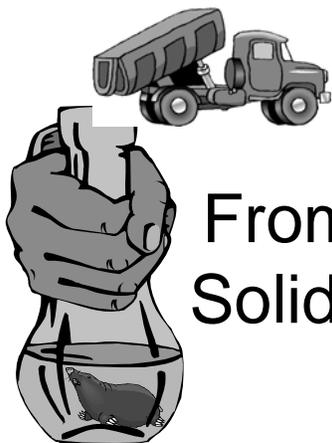


Making Molar Solutions



From Solids

What are molar solutions?

A molar solution is one that express "concentration" in moles per volume. Usually the units are in mol/L

mol/L can be abbreviated as M or []

Molar solutions are prepared using:

- a balance to weigh moles (as gram)
- a volumetric flask to measure litre

L refers to entire volume, not water!

Because the units are mol/L, we can use the equation $M = n/L$

Alternatively, we can use the factor label method



Calculations with molar solutions

Q: How many moles of NaCl are required to make 7.5 L of a 0.10 M solution?

$$M = n/L, \quad n = 0.10 \text{ M} \times 7.5 \text{ L} = 0.75 \text{ mol}$$

$$\# \text{ mol NaCl} = 7.5 \cancel{\text{L}} \times \frac{0.10 \text{ mol NaCl}}{1 \cancel{\text{L}}} = 0.75 \text{ mol}$$

But in the lab we weigh grams not moles, so ...

Q: How many grams of NaCl are required to make 7.5 L of a 0.10 M solution?

$$\# \text{ g NaCl} = 7.5 \cancel{\text{L}} \times \frac{0.10 \text{ mol NaCl}}{1 \cancel{\text{L}}} \times \frac{58.44 \text{ g NaCl}}{1 \text{ mol NaCl}} = 43.83 \text{ g}$$

Read pages 288 – 290. Do Q 19 - 22

Practice making molar solutions

1. Calculate # of grams required to make 100 mL of a 0.10 M solution of NaOH (see above).
2. Get volumetric flask, plastic bottle, 100 mL beaker, eyedropper. Rinse all with tap water.
3. Fill a beaker with distilled water.
4. Pour 20 - 30 mL of H₂O from beaker into flask.
5. Weigh NaOH. Add it to flask. ***Do step 5 quickly.***
6. Mix (by swirling) until the NaOH is dissolved.
7. Add distilled H₂O to just below the colored line.
8. Add distilled H₂O to the line using eyedropper.
9. Place solution in a bottle. Place label (tape) on bottle (name, date, chemical, molarity). Place bottle at front. Rinse & return equipment.

More Practice Questions

1. How many grams of nitric acid are present in 1.0 L of a 1.0 M HNO₃ solution?
2. Calculate the number of grams needed to produce 1.00 L of these solutions: a) 1.00 M KNO₃
b) 1.85 M H₂SO₄ c) 0.67 M KClO₃
3. Calculate the # of grams needed to produce each:
a) 0.20 L of 1.5 M KCl b) 0.160 L of 0.300 M HCl
c) 0.20 L of 0.09 mol/L AgNO₃
d) 250 mL of 3.1 mol/L BaCl₂
4. Give the molarity of a solution containing 10 g of each solute in 2.5 L of solution: a) H₂SO₄ b) Ca(OH)₂
5. Describe how 100 mL of a 0.10 mol/L NaOH solution would be made.

Answers & Notes

