

# **Preparation of Solutions (Concentrations)**

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## Concentration

What is concentration?

- Refers to the amount of a substance per defined space.
- Is the ratio of solute in a solution to either solvent or total solution.
- Is the amount of solute dissolved in a given amount of solvent.

$$\text{Concentration of a solution} = \frac{\text{amount of solute}}{\text{amount of solution}}$$

## Types of concentration

- Molarity: number of moles per liter of solution
- Molality: number of moles per mass of solvent
- Normality: grams active solute liters of solution
- Percent solutions: amount of solute/amount of solution x 100%

## Molarity

$$\text{Molarity (M)} = \frac{\text{moles of solute}}{\text{one liter of solution}}$$

$$\text{Moles} = \frac{\text{weight (g)}}{\text{molecular weight g/mole}}$$

An amount of 58.5 g of NaCl was dissolved in 1 liter of water. What is the molarity of this solution?

Note: MW of Na=23, MW of Cl=35.5

$$\text{Answer: moles} = \frac{58.5\text{g}}{58.5\text{ g/mole}} = 1\text{ mole}$$

$$M = 1/1 = 1M$$

❖ How many moles of NaOH are in 38ml of 0.50mol/L NaOH?

## Molality

$$\text{Molality (m)} = \frac{\text{moles of solute}}{\text{one Kg of solvent}}$$

An amount of 75.0 g of NaCl is dissolved in 1 Kg of water. Find molality.

$$\text{Mole} = 75.0 / 58.5 = 1.28$$

$$m = \frac{1.28}{1 \text{ Kg H}_2\text{O}} = 1.28 \text{ m}$$

10g of NaOH is dissolved in 500g of water. What is the molality of the solution ?

$$\text{Na} = 23 \quad \text{O} = 16 \quad \text{H} = 1$$

## Normality

- The normality of a solution is the gram equivalent weight of a [solute](#) per liter of [solution](#).
- Common units of normality include N, eq/L, or meq/L.
- Normality is not the most common unit of concentration, nor is its use appropriate for all chemical solutions. Typical situations when you might use normality include acid-base chemistry, redox reactions, or precipitation reactions. For most other situations, molarity or molality are better options for units.
- **Equivalent weight = molar mass / (H<sup>+</sup> or OH<sup>-</sup> per mole)**
- Equivalent weight of **HCl** is  $36.5 / 1 = 36.5 \text{ g}$
- Equivalent weight of **H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>** is  $96 / 2 = 48 \text{ g}$
- Equivalent weight of **KOH** is  $56 / 1 = 56 \text{ g}$

Find the N of 3M HCl

$$N = M * n \quad (n = \text{number of H}^+ \text{ in acids or OH}^- \text{ in bases})$$

$$N = 3 * 1 = 3 \text{ N}$$

Find the N of 6M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

$$N = 6 * 2 = 12 \text{ N}$$

Find the N of 2M NaOH

$$N=2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ N}$$

The normality of a solution is NEVER less than its molarity!

What is the normality of a solution that contains 50g of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  dissolved in 15L?

H=1 S=32 O=16 .

### Percent concentrations

- Percent solutions can take the form of weight/volume % (w/v %), for preparing (5%) NaCl. Dissolve (5) gram of sodium chloride in water and complete the volume to 100 ml.
- Weight/weight % (w/w %), for preparing (5%) NaCl. Dissolve (5) gram of sodium chloride in (95) gram of water.
- Volume/volume % (v/v %) for preparing (5%) from Ethanol. Dissolve (5) ml of Ethanol in (95) ml of water

$$\text{Mass/volume percent (m/v)} = \frac{\text{grams of solute}}{\text{milliliters of solution}} \times 100\%$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mass percent (m/m)} &= \frac{\text{mass of solute (g)}}{\text{mass of solute (g) + mass of solvent (g)}} \times 100\% \\ &= \frac{\text{mass of solute (g)}}{\text{mass of solution (g)}} \times 100\% \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Volume percent (v/v)} = \frac{\text{volume of solute}}{\text{volume of solution}} \times 100\%$$

- Dissolve 10g of NaCl in 60 ml of water, find the percentage of NaCl in the solution?
- 15g of NaOH was dissolved in 225g of water, what is the mass percent of NaCl in the solution?
- 25ml of methanol is mixed with 150ml of water, what is the volume percent of methanol?

## Dilution

- From more concentrated to less concentrated solution
- The newly calculated concentration always smaller than the original.
- There are:
  - $C_1 \cdot V_1 = C_2 \cdot V_2$
  - $M_1 \cdot V_1 = M_2 \cdot V_2$
  - $N_1 \cdot V_1 = N_2 \cdot V_2$
- How many ml of a 2.50M of NaOH solution are required to make 525ml of a 0.150M NaOH solution?