

### 4.3 the Mole and Molar Mass

#### Definitions:

- Avogadro's constant
- Mole
- Molar mass
- Diatomic

#### Basics

- Need a manageable amount of a compound to work with. (About a tablespoon of carbon.)
- When I want to know the average mass of a penny. I would not weigh a single penny. I would weigh out 100 pennies and divide by 100 to get the average mass of a penny.

#### Avogadro's Constant and the Mole

- $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  particles/mole
- $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  particles/mole = Avogadro's constant =  $N_A$

#### Molar Mass

- Molar mass =  $M = \text{g/mol}$
- 1 atom of carbon-12 = 12u
- $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  atoms of carbon-12 = 12g
- Molar mass is related to the atomic mass. For one mole the value of the atomic mass is the same value for the molar mass.
  - E.g. 1 mole of carbon = 12g  
1 mole of oxygen = 16 g
- This also works with molecules
- E.g. 1 molecule of water = 18u  
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- Watch out for molecular formula
- E.g. 1 atom of oxygen = 16u  
Oxygen exists as  $\text{O}_2 = 32\text{u}$   
Therefore 1 mole of  $\text{O}_2 = 32\text{g}$

#### Homework

- Practice Questions: 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13
- Section Questions: 1,2,3,4,5