Mass Calculations

1. Relative Atomic Mass (RAM)

- a. Define RAM
- b. Calculate RAM from isotopes and abundances
- c. Interpret mass spectra to find isotopes and abundances

2. Relative Formula Mass (Mr)

- a. Calculate Mr for a compound
- b. Calculate % mass for each element within a compound

3. Mole and mass

- a. Define the mole (Mr in grams)
- b. Interconvert mole and mass
- c. Derive mole = mass / Mr

4. Avagadro Constant

- a. Redefine the mole (Avagadro constant)
- b. Calculate numbers of atoms and molecules from mass

5. Calculations involving chemical reactions

- a. Empirical formula and molecular formula
- b. Mass calculations
- c. Percentage Yield

Mass Calculations

1. Relative Atomic Mass (RAM)

interconvert mass and amount

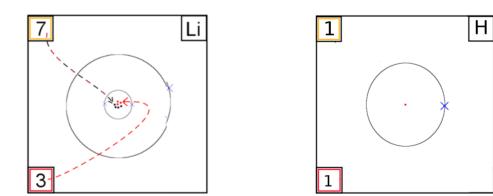
need mass of each atom

We are learning to:

- a. identify the slight discrepancy between mass number and actual mass
- b. explain this in terms of binding energy
- c. identify the presence of **isotopes** as having a far more significant effect upon mass
- d. calculate the average mass across all isotopes

...by which time we will have defined **Relative Atomic Mass** (RAM)

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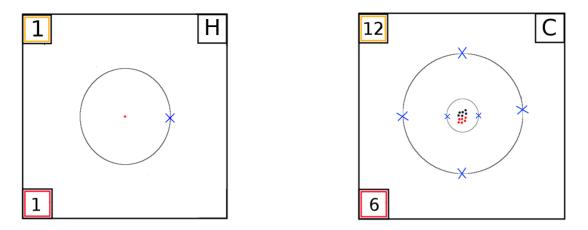


Would expect there to be a factor of x7 between the masses of these two atoms, but this isn't quite true, because the mass of protons and neutrons varies slightly from one atom to another.

Why does the mass of protons and neutrons vary?

Protons in the nucleus repel each other – they are all positively charged and like charges repel. To keep them stuck together there must be a force which binds them together. This binding energy causes a reduction in the mass of the nucleus, as some of the mass is turned into energy.

Therefore, generally the larger the atom, the smaller the average mass of the protons and neutrons, because more mass is converted into binding energy.



For example, if we compare carbon-12 and hydrogen, and set the *carbon* value as exactly 12 (and this *is* what we do; the carbon-12 atom is used as a reference), then we would expect the mass of the hydrogen to be 1, but...due to, in this case, the lack of binding energy, in fact its mass relative to the carbon is 1.007825.

| atom | mass number | mass relative to ¹² C |
|------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| 1H | 1 | |
| ¹² C | 12 | |
| ⁵⁶ Fe | 56 | |

Summary

- MASS OF PROTONS AND NEUTRONS IS <u>NOT THE SAME</u> IN ALL ATOMS.
- O THE ACTUAL MASS OF ATOMS <u>VARIES SLIGHTLY</u> FROM THE MASS NUMBER

Let's choose another example, to see how this builds up throughout the periodic table. We could do a similar comparison for iron-56 and carbon, and we find that the mass is not 56, but slightly less due to more binding energy, and is in fact 55.934934

1.007825 write as 1.008

12.00000 (by definition) write as 12.000

55.934934 write as 55.934

As you can see, these differences are rather small, and certainly cannot account for this;

"Relative atomic mass of copper is 63.55"

Such big deviations from whole numbers are not due to the slight change in mass of the protons and neutrons, they are caused by isotopes; atoms with the same number of protons, but a different number of neturons.

Isotopes

"Relative atomic mass of copper is 63.55"

| Isotope | Mass | % |
|------------------|-------|----|
| ⁶³ Cu | 62.93 | 69 |
| ⁶⁵ Cu | 64.93 | 31 |

If we put a sample of copper in a mass spectrometer, we get the following result:

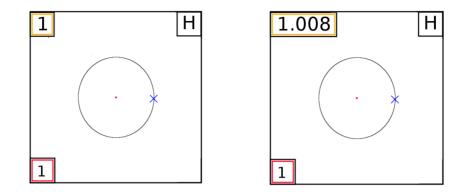
We can work out a weighted average across all isotopes:

 $62.93 \times 69\% + 64.93 \times 31\% = 63.55$

Summary

O WEIGHTED AVERAGE ACROSS ALL ISOTOPES

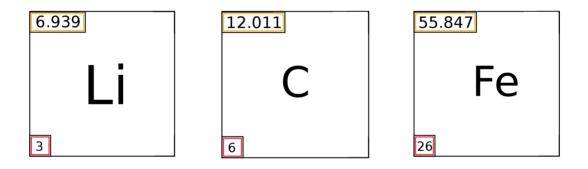
summary: the weighted average across all isotopes gives us a useful value for the mass of copper atoms. If we have an amount of copper, it will include both isotopes and we must account for this when interconverting mass and numbers of atoms.



RELATIVE ATOMIC MASS

to 12C

averaged across all isotopes



Assessment

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1. Cobalt exists only as the ⁵⁹Co isotope. What would you expect the relative atomic mass of cobalt to be?

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| A. | slightly higher than 59 due to more binding energy than ¹² C | В. | slightly lower than 59 due to more binding energy than ¹² C |
|----|--|----|--|
| C. | slightly lower than 59 due to less binding energy than ¹² C | D. | slightly higher than 59 due to less binding energy than ¹² C |

2. If approximately 20% of boron is the 10 B isotope and 80% is the 11 B isotope, estimate the relative atomic mass of boron

| А. | (0.2 x 10) + (0.8 x 11) = | 10.2 | В. | (0.2 x 11) + (0.8 x 10) = | 10.2 |
|----|---------------------------|------|----|---------------------------|------|
| C. | (0.2 x 10) + (0.8 x 11) = | 10.8 | D. | (0.2 x 11) + (0.8 x 10) = | 10.8 |

Answers 1. B, 2. C

Mass Calculations

1. Relative Atomic Mass (RAM)

2. Relative Formula Mass (Mr)

- a. Calculate Mr for a compound
- b. Calculate % mass for each element within a compound
- 3. Mole and mass
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What is the relative formula mass of MgCl₂?

We can look at the periodic table to find the relative atomic mass for each element, but what if we wanted to find the relative mass of a compound? Easy! Add up the relative atomic massess of each of the elements.

For example; what is the relative formula mass of MgCl₂?

RAM (Mg) 24.312 RAM (Cl) 35.453

for MgCl₂ 24.312 + 2 x 35.453 = 95.218

Using the notation Mr to mean either relative atomic mass or relative formula mass, we have:

 $M_r (Mg) = 24.312$ $M_r (Cl) = 35.453$ $M_r (MgCl_2) = 95.218$

Mass Calculations

2. Relative Formula Mass (Mr)

b. Calculate % mass for each element within a compound

For the compound MgO, what percentage of its mass is made up of Mg atoms, and what percentage is made up of O atoms?

 $Mr(Mg) = 24.312 \qquad Mr(O) = 16.000$ therefore Mr(MgO) is 24.312 + 16.000 = <u>40.312</u> 24.312 / 40.312 = <u>60.3%</u> mass due to Mg 16.000 / 40.312 = 39.7% mass due to O

It's 50:50 isn't it? MgO, 1:1, same number of each type of atom.

This is *true* in terms of number of atoms, but <u>not</u> int terms of mass because the Mg and O atoms have different weights. Specifically,

Mr(Mg) is 24.312

Mr (O) is 16.000

therefore Mr (MgO) is 24.312 + 16.000

= <u>40.312</u>

Of this 40.312, 24.312 comes from Mg and 16.000 comes from oxygen.

In percentage terms, 24.312 / 40.312 = 60.3% of the mass comes from Mg atoms

16.000 / 40.312 = 39.7% of the mass comes from oxygen atoms.

Mass Calculations 2. Relative Formula Mass (Mr)

Assessment

1. Match each molecule to its $\ensuremath{\mathsf{M}}_{\ensuremath{\mathsf{r}}}$ using these relative atomic masses:

 $M_r(H) = 1, M_r(O) = 16, M_r(C) = 12$

| CH_4 | 32 |
|-----------------------|----|
| H ₂ O | 26 |
| O ₂ | 16 |
| C_2H_2 | 18 |

2. Calcium carbonate, $CaCO_3$, has M_r of 100. Using the following relative atomic masses, match the percentage mass of each element within calcium carbonate.

 $M_r(Ca) = 40, M_r(C) = 12, M_r(O) = 16$

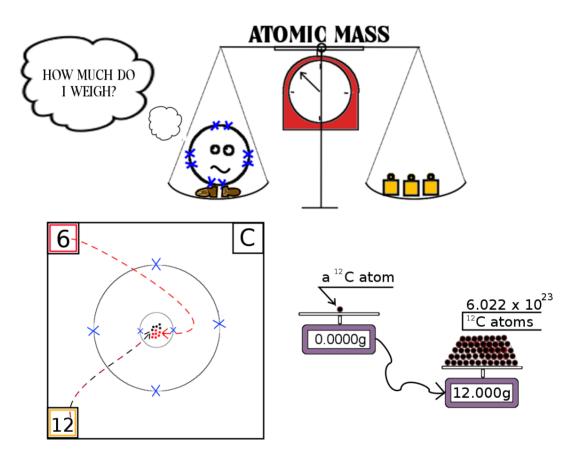
| calcium | 12% |
|---------|-----|
| oxygen | 40% |
| carbon | 48% |

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The overall aim of this topic on mass calculations is to interconvert mass and amount, i.e. number of atoms, but so far we haven't mentioned any masses.

Let's put our carbon-12 atoms on the scales and see how much it weights...



...hmmm not much. So let's keep on adding atoms until the mass in grams is the same as the relative mass. The Mr of carbon-12, is of course, exactly 12.

This number is given a name, "the mole"; but it is just a number and has a fixed value of 6.022 x1023.

In other words we had to put 6.022 x 1023 carbon-12 atoms on the scale to have a 'mole of carbon12 atoms".

So we can define a mole as the amount of substance when the Mr is given in a unit of grams.

Now we are ready to interconvert mass and amount in mol.

Mass Calculations 3. Mole and mass b. Interconvert mole and mass

Example 1: If I have 1 mol of Cu, what mass has this? Mr (Cu) is 63.55

therefore, mass of 1 mol of Cu is 63.55g

Example 2: What is the mass of 1 mol of CuO?

Mr (CuO) = 63.55 + 16.00 = 79.55

therefore, mass of 1 mole of CuO is 79.55g

We can think of this as a ratio

| <u>mole</u> | : | <u>mass</u> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| 1 | : | Mr |

Example 3: What is the mass of 0.23mol of Cu?

| | <u>mole</u> | : | mass |
|----|-------------|---|-----------------|
| | 1 | : | Mr |
| Cu | 1 | : | 63.55g |
| | 0.23 | : | 63.55 x 0.23 |
| | | | = <u>14.62g</u> |

And we can also work backwords in these calculations

Example 4: I have 10.6g of Cu, how many moles of copper is this?

| | <u>mole</u> : | <u>mass</u> |
|----|----------------|-------------|
| | 1 : | Mr |
| Cu | 1 : | 63.55g |
| | 1/63.55: | 1g |
| | <u>0.167</u> : | 10.6g |

Mass Calculations

3. Mole and mass

c. Derive mole = mass / Mr

How do I get the mass from the number of moles?

multiply by Mr

therefore <u>mass = mol x Mr</u>

Mr as the subject

What are the units of Mr?

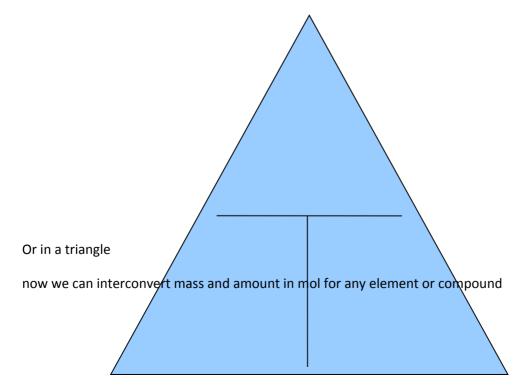
grams per mol

therefore <u>Mr = mass /mol</u>

Or, as a formula;

Amount in mol = mass / Mr

mass = mol x Mr



Mass Calculations 3. Mole and mass

Assessment

1. Choose **a** or **b** then **i** or **ii** $M_r(AI) = 26.9$, $M_r(Co) = 58.9$

| 1 mol of Al atoms | a) more than | 1 mol of Co atoms | i) more heavy | than each Co |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| weighs | b) less than | because each Al atom is | ii) less heavy | atom. |

Answers: 1 b) ii)

2. Match the amounts to the masses $M_r(CO_2) = 44$, $M_r(CaCO_3) = 100$

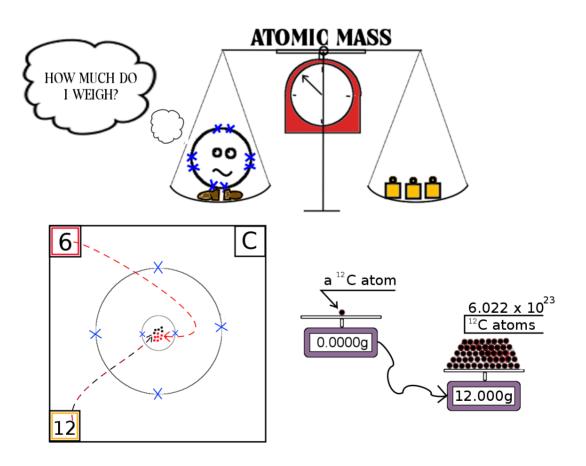
| amount | mass |
|-------------------------------|------|
| 0.25 mol of CO_2 | 110g |
| 0.25 mol of CaCO ₃ | 25g |
| 1.1 mol of CO ₂ | 11g |
| 1.1 mol of CaCO ₃ | 55g |

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Amount of Substance – Mole Calculations

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Mass Calculations

4. Avagadro Constant

b. Calculate numbers of atoms and molecules from mass



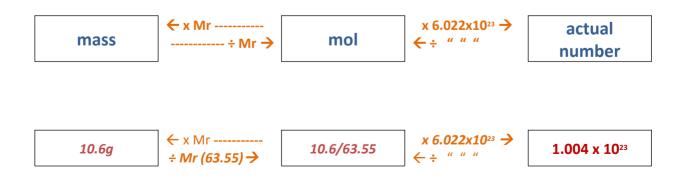
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Mass Calculations

4. Avagadro Constant

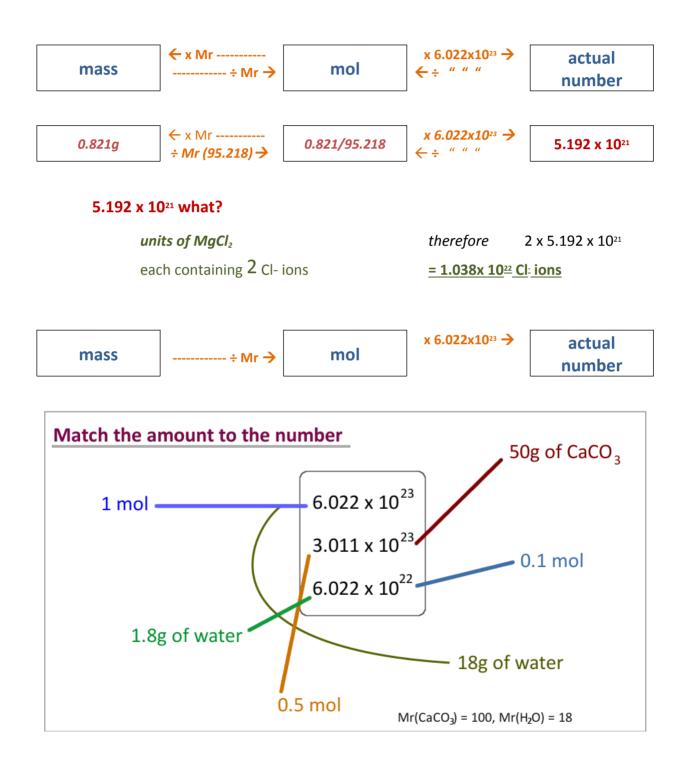
b. Calculate numbers of atoms and molecules from mass

Example 4: *I have 10.6g of Cu, how many atoms of copper is this?*



Mass Calculations

Example 5: I have 0.821g of MgCl₂, how many chloride ions are in this?



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