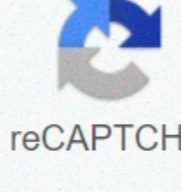


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Percent composition by mass of a compound

4a. Method of calculating the percentage by mass of elements in compounds The mass composition of a compound in terms of its essential elements is calculated in three simple steps Chemistry calculations 4. How do you calculate the percentage (%) the weight of the element in the compound formula? How do you calculate the percentage (%) weight of water or ion in the formula? i) Calculate the formula or molecular weight of the compound see section 2.2. Calculation of the relative formula/molecular weight (master) of the compound (ii) Calculate the mass of the specified element (for its %) in a compound, taking into account the number of element atoms in the composite formula (iii) Calculate (ii) as a percentage (i) the relative atomic mass of element x number of element atoms in the formula % of element in the compound = $\frac{\text{mass of element}}{\text{molecular weight}} \times 100$ relative mass of the formula compound % by mass $Z = 100 \times \frac{Ar(Z) \times \text{atoms } Z}{M(\text{compound})}$ It always seems difficult when indicated in this formal way, but the calculations are actually quite simple .. as long as you can properly read the formula! Calculation of % composition Example 4a.1 Calculate % copper in copper sulphate, CuSO4 Relative atomic mass: Cu = 64, S = 32 and O = 16 relative mass of the formula = 64 + 32 + (4x16) = 160 only one copper atom of relative atomic mass 64 Cu = $100 \times \frac{64}{160} = 40\%$ by weight of copper in the compound Note that similarly, you can calculate % of the other elements in the compound, e.g. copper. Calculation of % composition Example 4a.2 Calculate % oxygen in aluminium sulphate, Al2(SO4)3 Relative atomic masses: Al = 27, S = 32 and O = 16 relative mass of the formula = 2x27 + 3x (32 + 4x16) = 342 are 4 x 3 = 12 atoms of oxygen, each of a relative atomic mass of 16, indicating the total oxygen mass in formula 12 x 16 = 192 % O = $100 \times \frac{192}{342} = 56.1\%$ by weight of oxygen in aluminium sulphate calculation of % composition Example 4a.3 The following two examples extend the idea of % element composition to include % composition of part of the compound, in these cases water in hydrated salt and sulphate ion in potassium salt. Calculate % water in hydrated magnesium sulphate MgSO4.7H2O Relative atomic masses: Mg = 24, S = 32, O = 16 and H = 1 relative mass of the formula = 24 + 32 + (4 x 16) + [7 x (1 + 1 + 16)] = 246.7 x 18 = 126 is the weight of water so that % water = $100 \times \frac{126}{246} = 51.2\%$ H2O Note: Determination and calculation of hydrated salt formula, such as MgSO4.7H2O is included in the calculations of section 14.4. Calculation of % composition 4a.4 Calculate the percentage by mass of sulphate ions in sodium sulphate formula Na2SO4, atomic matter: Na = 23, S = 32, O = 16 Mass of formula Na2SO4 = (2 x 23) + 32 + (4 x 16) = 142 Mass of formula sulphate ions SO42- (or only SO4 will do for calculation) = 32 + (4 x 16) = 96 Therefore, % sulfate ion in sodium sulphate = $\frac{96}{142} \times 100 = 67.6\%$ SO4 Self-assessment Quiz: enter the QUIZ or more top of page 4b in the answer. Other calculations of the percentage composition by weight including % of any component in the compound or mixture Atomic masses used for 4b. questions: C = 12, Cl = 35.5, Fe = 56, H = 1, Mg = 24, N = 14, Na = 23, O = 16, S = 32, Now I assume that you can do a calculation of the weight of the formula and read the formula without problems, so all the details of these calculations is not displayed, just bare basics! Example 4b.1 Ammonium sulphate (NH4)2SO4 is an important component of many fertilisers which supply plants with essential mineral elements of nitrogen and sulphur. (a) Calculate the nitrogen percentage and the percentage of sulphur in ammonium sulphate. mass of ammonium sulphate formula = (2 x 18) + 32 + 64 = 132. with two nitrogen atoms in the formula; % nitrogen by mass = $100 \times \frac{28}{132} = 21.2\%$ N with one sulphur atom in the formula, % by weight of sulphur = $100 \times \frac{32}{132} = 24.2\%$ S b) Calculate the percentage of sulphate ion in ammonium sulphate. To calculate the percentage of 'part' compounds, just use the weight formula that 'part' the mass of sulphate in formula SO4 is 32 + (4 x 16) = 96 therefore % by weight of sulphate = $100 \times \frac{96}{132} = 72.7\%$ SO4 Note: If the question concerns sulphate ion itself, SO42-, its same calculation of weight % by weight! Example 4b.2 What is the percentage of carbonate ions in sodium carbonate? (Na2CO3) mass of the formula of the carbonate = 46 + 12 + 48 = 106 mass of the carbonate formula, CO3 = 12 + (3 x 16) = 60 % by weight of carbonate ions = $100 \times \frac{60}{106} = 56.6\%$ CO3 (for CO32-ion) Example 4b.3 Calculate the percentage of water crystallisation of magnesium sulphate crystals, MgSO4.7H2O, known as Epsom salt. mass of epsom salt formula = 24 + 32 + 64 + (7 x 18) = 246 weight of the water formula = 18, the mass of the seven molecules of water is 7 x 18 = 126, therefore, % of crystallisation water = $100 \times \frac{126}{246} = 51.2\%$ H2O Example 4b.4 Rock salt is mainly sodium chloride, NaCl Based on analysis of an unclean rock salt sample, it was found to contain 57.5 % chlorine as chloride ion. a. Calculate the percentage purity of salt. the weight of the sodium chloride formula is 58.5, the weight of the chloride of the formula is 35.5, therefore it is necessary to reduce from % by weight of chloride ions to % by weight of sodium chloride. the coefficient of scale must be $\frac{58.5}{35.5} = 1.648$, hence the percentage of sodium chloride in rock salt = $57.5 \times 1.648 = 94.8\%$ NaCl (b) What is the assumption you made in this case make this a valid calculation? You assumed that the nechlorities contained sodium ion or chloride. Other sodium or chloride salts may be mixed with rock salts. Example 4b.5 Sand mixture and iron sulphae compounds (II) (*), FeSO4. is used to treat grass, e.g. lawns and bowling greens to promote plant growth and kill mache. What percentage by weight of iron sulphane (II) is required in a mixture to include 15 % by weight of iron ions (II) (Fe2+)? You must scale from the weight of iron ions to the mass of the FeSO4 compound. mass of the formula FeSO4 = 56 + 32 + 64 = 152 atomic mass of iron Fe or iron (II) of fe2+ ion = 56 (note that the atom and ion have the same mass!), therefore the factor to increase is $\frac{152}{56} = 2.714\%$ s iron sulphate (II) required in the mixture = $15 \times 2.714 = 40.7\%$ FeSO4 Note (*). The actual iron compound used in lawn treatment is ammonium sulphate crystals(II), (NH4)2Fe(SO4)2.6H2O, the old name of ammonium sulphate, it's double salt, but I'm just calculating the iron (II) sulfate part. Example 4b.6 Baking powder mixture contains sodium hydrogen carbonate, NaHCO3. It should contain at least 50 % carbonate ions (CO32-) to obtain a sufficient increasing proportion of the carbon dioxide (CO2) gas produced by baking. Calculate the minimum percentage of soda carbonate that should be in the mixture. You need to increase from the formulae of carbonate ions and the mass of sodium carbonate. mass of the carbonate formula, CO3 = 12 + 48 = 60 (same for carbonate ion) mass of the formula sodium bicarbonate = 23 + 1 + 60 = 84. therefore, the coefficient of scale is $\frac{84}{60} = 1.4$, so that the minimum percentage of soda carbonate in the mixture should be $50 \times 1.4 = 70\%$ NaHCO3 Example 4b.7 In the experiment 5.0 g of M metal was burned in a crucible, heating into the air until more weight gain occurred. In addition to the weight of the crucible, the final weight of the residue was 10.0 g. Oxide O was formed as an essential component of ceramic pigment mix P for glazing ceramics. a) What % O oxide is M. $100 \times \frac{5.0}{10.0} = 60\%$ M in oxide O b) Mixture P must contain 25 % by weight of metal M. 25% of 12 g is 12 x 25/100 = 3.0 g, so it's the weight of metal M in 12 g of mix P as oxide O Now you need to scale up to the weight of the necessary oxide O, which contains 60% M. Increase gives $3.0 \times \frac{100}{60} = 5.0$ g of M oxide is needed. Example 4b.8 WARNING: Above is a typical periodic table used in science and chemistry courses for use in chemical calculations, and I have usually used these values in my exemplary calculations to cover most of the curriculum, however, for calculating the percentage composition (and any other quantitative chemistry calculations) note: (i) At GCSE level, relative atomic atomic are given as integers (integers) e.g. C = 12, Fe = 56, Ag = 108, etc. (but still before university) the relative atomic matter shall be given to one decimal place, e.g. UPPER SIDE OTHER ASPECTS OF CALCULATION What is relative atomic mass? relative isotopic mass and calculation of relative atomic mass Calculation of relative formula/molecular weight of compound or element molecule Law on weight maintenance and simple mass response calculations Composition of percentage weight of elements in the compound (this page) Empirical formula and mass of the formula compound from mass response (easy start, non-use tortkok) Reacting to the mass ratio calculations of reactants and products from equations (we do not use moles) and a brief mention of the actual percentage % yield and theoretical yield, atom economics and formula mass determination Introduction of moles: The connection between moles, weight and formula weight - the basis for responding both ratio calculations (related to the responsive mass and form weight) Use moles to calculate empirical formulae and derive molecular formula compounds/molecules (starting with reactive matter or % composition) Moles and molar volume of gas, Avogadro Law Gas Volume Response, Avogadro Act and Gay-Lussac Act (Ratio of Gaseous Reactants-Products) Molarity, volumes and concentrations of solutions (and diagrams of apparatus) How to do acid-alkaline titration calculations, diagrams of apparatus, details of procedures Calculations of electrolysis products (negative cathodes and positive anodes products) Other calculations eg% purity, % percentage ∓ theoretical yield, dilution of solutions (and diagrams of apparatus), water crystallization, amount of required reactants, atomic economy Energy transfers in physical/chemical changes, exothermic/endothermic reaction Gas calculations involving PVT relationships, Boyle's and Charles Laws Radioactivity ∓ half-life calculations including dating materials by Doc Brown School of Science website how to do percent by mass calculations Revision KS4 Science review how to do percent by mass calculations Another Science Triple Award Science Separate Science courses help how to do percent by mass calculation textbook revision GCSE/IGCSE/O Level Chemistry how to do percent by Mass Calculation Information Study Notes for review for AQA GCSE Science, how to do percent weight calculations, Edexcel GCSE Science/IGCSE Chemistry how to percent by mass calculations ∓ OCR 21st Century Science, OCR Gateway Science how to percent by mass calculations WJEC gcse science chemistry how to percent by mass calculations CEA/CEA gcse science chemistry O Level Chemistry (revise courses equal to American class 8, grade 9 grade 10, how to do percent weight calculations) level notes for GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level how to do percent by mass calculations AS Advanced Level A2 IB Revision how to do percent according to mass calculations AQA GCE Chemistry OCR GCE Chemistry, how to do percent according to mass calculations Edexcel GCE Chemistry Salters Chemistry, how to do percent according to mass calculations, WJEC GCE AS A2 Chemistry, how to do percent mass calculations, CCEA/CEA GCE AS A2 Chemistry revise how to do percent by mass calculation courses for pre-university students (equals U.S. Grade 11 and Class 12 and AP Honors/Honors level, how to do percent according to mass calculation revision guide on how to calculate percentage by mass calculations GCSE chemistry revision free detailed notes on how to calculate % compound composition to help revise igcse chemistry igcse chemistry revision notes on this how to calculate % compound composition O level of chemistry revision free detailed notes on how how to calculate % compound composition to help revise GCSE chemistry free detailed notes on how to calculate percentage by weight of elements in the compound to help revise gcs Chemistry free detailed notes on how to calculate percentage by weight of elements in the compound to help revise about the level of chemistry free online website to help revise about chemistry level free online website to help revise how to calculate % compound composition for GCSE chemistry free online website to help revise how to calculate % compound composition for igcse chemistry free online website to help revise O level, how to calculate % compound composition for AS/A2/IB level. These revision notes and practice questions about how to do chemical calculations and worked examples should prove useful for new AQA, Edexcel and OCR GCSE (9-1) chemistry science courses. Have you seen any careless mistakes? E-mail query? comments or ask for a type of GCSE calculation that is not covered? (i) e.g. Mg + 2HCl ==> MgCl2 + H2 1 mole magnesium gives 1 mole hydrogen, mole Mg = 2 + 24.3 = 0.0823 so mole H2 = 0.0823, so volume H2 = 0.0823 x 24 = 1.975 dm3 (h) both 1 mole of Na2CO3 or NaHCO3 will give 1 mole of CO2 (i) VCO2 = mol Na2CO3 x 24000 = 0.76 x 106 x 24000 = 172cm3 (2) VCO2 = mol NaHCO3 x 24000 = 0.76 x 84 x 24000 = 217cm3 (j) Zn + 2HCl ==> ZnCl2 + H2, mole H2 = mole HCl = 2 mol HCl = 50 + 1000 x 0.2 = 0.01 mol so mole H2 = 0.005, VH2 = 0.005 x 24000 = 120cm3 (j) CaCO3 + 2HCl ==> CaCl2 + H2O + CO2 mole CO2 = mole HCl + 2, mol HCl = 75 + 1000 x 0.05 = 0.00375 mol so mole CO2 = 0.001875, VCO2 = 0.001875 x 24000 = 45cm3 Above is typical periodic table used in GCSE science-chemistry specifications in doing chemical calculations, and I 'usually' used these values in my example calculations to cover most of the curriculum doc brown school science website TOP OF PAGE What is relative atomic matter?, relative isotopic mass and calculation of relative atomic mass Calculation of the relative formula/molecular weight of the compound or molecule of the element Act on weight maintenance and simple calculations of mass response Composition by percentage weight of elements in the compound Empirical formula and mass of the formula compound from mass response (easy start, non-use of moles) Responding to the mass ratio of calculations of reactants and equation products (do not use moles) and a brief reference to the actual

