

## ANSWERS TO "TRY YOURSELF" PROBLEMS FROM STUDY SECTION 2.8

### Try Yourself 2.18

What is the percent composition of Cl in  $\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$ ?

#### Answer:

You will need the molar masses of Cl and that of the whole compound.

$$M_{\text{Cl}} = 35.45 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \text{ and } M_{\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2} = 300.04 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mass \% of Cl in Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2 &= [2(M_{\text{Cl}}) / M_{\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2}] \times 100/1 \text{ (Remember there are 2 Cl atoms).} \\ &= (70.9 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} / 300.04 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}) \times 100/1 = \underline{23.63 \% \text{ Cl in the compound.}} \end{aligned}$$

So, you can say that 23.63% of the compound is chlorine, the rest will be platinum, nitrogen and hydrogen. You can also say that for every 100 grams of the compound, 23.63 grams will be chlorine.

### Try Yourself 2.19

What mass of lead is present in 10.0 g of PbS?

#### Answers:

You will need the molar mass of PbS as well as S.

$$M_{\text{S}} = 32.1 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \text{ and } M_{\text{PbS}} = 239.3 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$$

$$\% \text{ S in PbS} = (32.1 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} / 239.3 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}) \times 100/1 = 13.41 \% \text{ S in PbS.}$$

Therefore: In 10.0 g of PbS there will be 13.41 % (or 1.34 gram) of Sulphur, the rest (8.66 gram) will be lead (Pb).

### **Try Yourself 2.20**

Eugenol is the major component in oil of cloves. It has a molar mass of 164.2 g/mol and is 73.14% C and 7.37% H; the remainder is oxygen. Calculate the empirical and molecular formulas of eugenol.

#### **Answer:**

$$73.14 \% \text{ C} = 73.14 \text{ g C} = 73.14 \text{ g} / 12 \text{ g.mol}^{-1} = 6.10 \text{ mol C}$$

$$7.37 \% \text{ H} = 7.37 \text{ g H} = 7.37 \text{ g} / 1.01 \text{ g.mol}^{-1} = 7.30 \text{ mol H}$$

$$19.49 \% \text{ O} = 19.49 \text{ g O} = 19.49 \text{ g} / 16 \text{ g.mol}^{-1} = 1.22 \text{ mol O}$$

#### **Calculate the mol ratios between all the elements:**

$$6.10 \text{ mol C} / 1.22 \text{ mol O} : 7.30 \text{ mol H} / 1.22 \text{ mol O} : 1.22 \text{ mol O} / 1.22 \text{ mol O}$$

$$= 5 \text{ mol C} : 5.98 \text{ mol H} : 1 \text{ mol O}$$

$$= 5\text{C} : 6\text{H} : 1\text{O}$$

**Empirical formula = C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O** with a molar mass of 82.06 g.mol<sup>-1</sup>

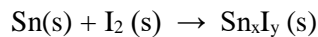
The given molar mass is 164.2 g.mol<sup>-1</sup> which is two times the molar mass of the empirical formula.

Therefore: **The molecular formula** will be 2x the empirical formula, which will be **C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>**

### Try Yourself 2.21

Formula from mass (data from lab experiments)

Tin metal (Sn) and purple iodine (I<sub>2</sub>) combine to form orange, solid tin iodide with an unknown formula.



Mass of Sn reacted = 0.455 g

Mass of I<sub>2</sub> reacted = 1.947 g

Calculate the values of x and y (in other words calculate the formula of the compound).

**Answer:**

Handwritten solution for finding the formula of tin iodide from mass data. The solution shows two methods: one using mono-atomic iodine (I) and one using di-atomic iodine (I<sub>2</sub>).

*Both methods are accepted.*

$M_{\text{Sn}} = 118.71 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$   
 $M_{\text{I}} = 126.90 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow n_{\text{Sn}} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.455 \text{ g}}{118.71 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}$   
 $(3.83 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol Sn})$

$\Rightarrow$  For mono-atomic Iodine (I)  
 $\Rightarrow n_{\text{I}} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{1.947 \text{ g}}{126.90 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.0153 \text{ mol I}$   
 $(1.53 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol I})$

mol Ratio between Sn and I

$$\frac{0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}}{0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}} ; \frac{0.0153 \text{ mol I}}{0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}}$$
$$= 1 \text{ mol Sn} ; 3.99 \text{ mol I}$$

$\therefore$  Formula = SnI<sub>4</sub>

\* You can also do the calculation for di-atomic iodine  $\Rightarrow$  I<sub>2</sub>

$$n_{\text{I}_2} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{1.947 \text{ g}}{2(126.90 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1})} = \frac{1.947 \text{ g}}{253.8 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}}$$
$$= 0.00767 \text{ mol I}_2$$

Ratio:

$$\frac{0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}}{0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}} ; \frac{0.00767 \text{ mol I}_2}{0.00383 \text{ mol Sn}}$$
$$= 1 \text{ mol Sn} ; 2.00 \text{ mol I}_2$$

$\therefore$  Formula = SnI<sub>4</sub>  $\therefore 2(\text{I}_2) = 4\text{I}$

### Try Yourself 2.22

Elemental sulfur (1.256 g) is combined with fluorine,  $F_2$ , to give a compound with the formula  $SF_x$ , a very stable, colorless gas. If you have isolated 5.722 g of  $SF_x$ , what is the value of  $x$ ?

### Answer:

1.256 g S and  $M_s = 32.1 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$   
5.722 g  $SF_x$  isolated

Using the Law of mass conservation we can deduce the following:

5.722 g of  $SF_x$  - 1.256 g of S = 4.466 g of F

$\therefore$  4.466 g of Fluorine were used in the reaction.

\* mol amount of S:  $n = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{1.256 \text{ g}}{32.1 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.0391 \text{ mol S}$

\* Using mono-atomic Fluorine (F),  
 $n_F = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{4.466 \text{ g}}{18.99 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.235 \text{ mol F}$

Ratio between S and F  
 $\frac{0.0391 \text{ mol S}}{0.0391 \text{ mol S}} : \frac{0.235 \text{ mol F}}{0.0391}$   
1 S : 6 F  
 $\Rightarrow$  Formula is  $SF_6$  ( $x=6$ )

\* Using diatomic fluorine ( $F_2$ )  
 $n_{F_2} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{4.466 \text{ g}}{2(18.99 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1})} = \frac{4.466 \text{ g}}{37.98 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.118 \text{ mol } F_2$

Ratio between S and  $F_2$   
 $\frac{0.0391 \text{ S}}{0.0391 \text{ S}} : \frac{0.118 F_2}{0.0391} = 1 \text{ S} : 3 F_2$   
 $\therefore SF_6$  ( $x=6$ )

*in total there are 6 F-atoms*

**Try Yourself 2.23**

Given  $\text{RuCl}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

If you heat 1.056 g of the hydrated salt and find that only 0.838 g of  $\text{RuCl}_3$  remains when all of the water has been driven off. Calculate the value of  $x$  from this information.

**Answer:**

You will need the following molar masses:  $M_{\text{RuCl}_3} = 207.42 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ;  $M_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 18.02 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$

**Calculate the mol amount of water lost during heating:**

Mass of water lost during heating =  $1.056 \text{ g} - 0.838 \text{ g} = 0.218 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}$

$n_{\text{water}} = m_{\text{water}} / M_{\text{water}} = 0.218 \text{ g} / 18.02 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} = 0.0121 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}$  ( $1.21 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}$ )

**Calculate the mol amount of anhydrous  $\text{RuCl}_3$  left over after heating:**

$n_{\text{RuCl}_3} = m_{\text{RuCl}_3} / M_{\text{RuCl}_3} = 0.838 \text{ g} / 207.42 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} = 0.00404 \text{ mol RuCl}_3$  ( $4.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol RuCl}_3$ )

**Calculate the mol ratio between water and anhydrous  $\text{RuCl}_3$ :**

Ratio of Anhydrous  $\text{RuCl}_3$  :  $\text{H}_2\text{O} = 0.0121 \text{ mol} / 0.00404 \text{ mol} = 2.99 \text{ H}_2\text{O} : 1 \text{ RuCl}_3 = 3 \text{ H}_2\text{O} : 1 \text{ RuCl}_3$

(Remember for a ratio calculation you will divide the smallest mol amount into the larger mol amount(s)).

**Conclusion:**

$X = 3$ ; therefore the formula is:  $\text{RuCl}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$

(Rutinium(III) chloride trihidraat. / Ruthenium(III) chloride trihydrate).