

Mole and Mass Relationship in a Chemical Reaction

NaHCO₃ and HCl

Please read the following introduction as a review of concepts presented prior to this lab. Theoretical data has been provided for you to analyze if you were absent on the day this lab was performed. Please answer all of the questions related to this data.

INTRODUCTION

In a balanced chemical equation symbols and formulas represent all reactants and products. Coefficients are used on each side of the equation to satisfy the Law of Conservation of Mass – atoms never “disappear” during the reaction, but they are rearranged. Just as we can interpret coefficients on the *micro-* level (the ratio of individual atoms and molecules involved), we can also interpret the coefficients on the *macro-* level as the ratio of moles of all species involved in the reaction



2 molecules H₂ + **1 molecule** of O₂ yields **2 molecules** of H₂O
or, if you consider 6.02×10^{23} times as many molecules, then the interpretation is:

2 moles of hydrogen gas plus **1 mole** of oxygen gas yields **2 moles** of water
or any number of moles in a 2:1:2 ratio

In addition, because these reactants and products are gases, there is also a volume relationship:
2 (x 22.4) liters of H₂ + 1 (x 22.4) liters of O₂ yields 2 (x 22.4) liters of H₂O

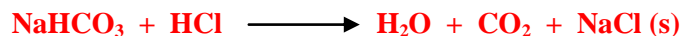
Since you can easily know the ratio of reacting *moles*, and since it is possible to convert between moles and grams when you know the formulas of reacting species, you can make accurate predictions about the amounts of all reactants and products involved in a reaction. This lab will illustrate the actual mole and mass relationship among reactants and products in a reaction.

Quantitative Data Table – Measured Data

| | Data | Calculations and/or Qualitative Observations |
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| Mass of glassware <u>and</u> watch glass | 86.28 g | |
| Mass of NaHCO ₃ used | 2.49 g | <i>NaHCO₃ is a white solid. When HCl was added, gas was released.</i> |
| Mass of glassware <u>and</u> watch glass <u>and</u> product | 88.00 g | |
| Mass of product | | |

QUESTIONS/CALCULATIONS:

1. Write the balanced equation for this reaction. Use appropriate symbols to identify the physical state of the each substances (you should know this based on your observations of reactants and products).



2. There are actually two types of reactions occurring here – identify them.

3. Referring to the coefficients in this equation,
 - a. what is the ratio of moles of NaHCO_3 reacted to moles of NaCl produced?

 - b. what is the ratio of moles of NaHCO_3 reacted to moles of H_2O produced?

 - c. what is the ratio of moles of NaHCO_3 reacted to moles of CO_2 produced?

4. What mass of NaHCO_3 did you use in this reaction? Convert this mass to moles.

5. Based on the actual number of moles used and the coefficients in the balanced equation, how many moles of NaCl would you expect to produce? Convert this number of moles of NaCl to mass in grams. This predicted value is known as the *theoretical yield*.

6. Based on the expected ratio, how many moles of H_2O would you expect to product? Convert this number of moles to number of molecules of H_2O .

7. How many moles of CO_2 gas would be expected? Convert this value to STP volume.

8. The acid you used was an aqueous solution of the compound hydrogen chloride. (In pure form, hydrogen chloride is a gas.) Only the molecules of HCl participated in the reaction – the water in the acid provided the environment in which the HCl was able to interact. How many moles of HCl were consumed by the NaHCO_3 as it reacted?

9. What mass of NaCl was actually produced? This is known as the *actual yield*.

10. Calculate the percent yield of your NaCl .
$$\% \text{ Yield} = \frac{\text{actual yield}}{\text{theoretical yield}} \times 100$$

11. **Practice:** If you started with 7.5 grams of NaHCO_3 and sufficient HCl for a complete reaction, what mass of NaCl would you expect to produce? (*besides the balanced equation, no numeric lab data is used*)

12. **Practice:** If you wanted to produce exactly 1.75 grams of NaCl , what mass of NaHCO_3 would you start with (assuming a “perfect” procedure)? (*besides the balanced equation, no numeric lab data is used*)