

HOTS (Higher Order Thinking Skills)

Q. 1. A colorless liquid is thought to be a pure compound. Analysis of three samples of the material yield the following results.

	Mass of Sample	Mass of carbon	Mass of Hydrogen
Sample 1	1.0 g	0.862 g	0.138 g
Sample 2	1.549 g	1.335 g	0.214 g
Sample 3	0.988 g	0.852 g	0.136 g

Could the material be a pure compound?

Ans. Analysis

	Mass of Carbon	+	Mass of Hydrogen	=	Mass of Sample
Sample 1	0.862 g	+	0.138 g	=	1.0 g
Sample 2	1.335 g	+	2.214 g	=	1.549 g
Sample 3	0.852 g	+	0.136 g	=	0.988 g

Yes, the material is a pure compound as all the three samples have the same composition.

Q. 2. A big drop has volume 1.0 mL. How many molecules of water are there in this drop, If the density of water is 1g/mL?

Ans. Volume of drop of water = 1.0 mL

Density of water = 1.0 g/mL

∴ Mass of drop of water = Volume × Density = 1.0 g

Molecular mass of H₂O = 2 × 1 u + 1 × 16 u = 18 u

Gram molecular mass of water = 18 g/mol

18 g of water contains = 6.022×10^{23} molecules

∴ 1 g of water contains = $\frac{6.022 \times 10^{23}}{18}$ = molecules

= 3.34×10^{22} molecules

Q. 3. What is the fraction of the mass of water due to neutrons?

Ans. Mass of one mole (Avogadro Number) of neutrons ~ 1 g

$$\text{Mass of the one neutrons} = \frac{1}{\text{Avogadro Number } (N_A)} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Mass of 8 molecule of water} = \frac{\text{Molar mass}}{N_A} = \frac{18}{N_A} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{There are 8 neutrons of water} = \frac{18}{N_A}$$

$$\text{Mass of one molecule of water} = \frac{\text{Molar mass}}{N_A} = \frac{18}{N_A} \text{ g}$$

$$\text{Fraction off mass of the water due to neutrons} \sim \frac{8}{18}.$$

Q. 4. You are provided with a fine white coloured powder which is either sugar or salt. How would you identify it without tasting?

Ans. On heating the powder, it will char if it is a sugar.

Alternatively, the powder may be dissolved in water and checked for its conduction of electricity. If it conducts, it is a salt.

Q. 5. Calculate the number of electrons present in 15.4 of carbon tetrachloride (CCl_4).

$$\text{Ans. Number of moles of } \text{CCl}_4 = \frac{\text{Mass of } \text{CCl}_4}{\text{Molecular mass of } \text{CCl}_4} = \frac{15.4 \text{ g}}{154 \text{ g}}$$

$$\therefore = 0.1 \text{ mole}$$

$$1 \text{ mole of } \text{CCl}_4 = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules of } \text{CCl}_4$$

$$\therefore 0.1 \text{ mole of } \text{CCl}_4 = 0.1 \times 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules of } \text{CCl}_4$$

$$= 6.022 \times 10^{22} \text{ molecules of } \text{CCl}_4$$

We know that one atom of carbon has 6 electrons and one atom of chlorine has 17 electrons.

Therefore, one molecule of CCl_4 will contain $6 + (4 \times 17) = 74$ electrons.

$$\therefore \text{Number of electrons in } 6.022 \times 10^{22} \text{ molecules of } \text{CCl}_4$$

$$= 74 \times 6.022 \times 10^{22} \text{ electrons}$$

$$= 445.6 \times 10^{22} \text{ electrons}$$

$$= 4.456 \times 10^{24} \text{ electrons}$$