

1. The empirical formula of a compound is found to be P_2O_5 . Experiments show that the molar mass of the compound is 283.9 g/mol. What is the molecular formula of the compound?

$$P_2O_5 = 141.94 \text{ g/mol} \quad \frac{283.9 \text{ g/mol}}{141.94 \text{ g/mol}} = 2$$

Molecular Formula P_4O_{10}

2. A compound has the following % composition—76.54 % C, 12.13 % H, and 11.33 % O. If its molar mass is 282.5 g/mol, what is its molecular formula?

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol C} \mid 76.54 \text{ g C}}{12.01 \text{ g C}} = \frac{6.3730 \text{ mol C}}{0.70813} = 9$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol H} \mid 12.13 \text{ g H}}{1.01 \text{ g H}} = \frac{12.010 \text{ mol H}}{0.70813} = 17$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol O} \mid 11.33 \text{ g O}}{16.00 \text{ g O}} = \frac{0.70813 \text{ mol O}}{0.70813} = 1$$

Empirical

$$C_9H_{17}O = 141.26 \text{ g/mol}$$

$$\frac{282.5 \text{ g/mol}}{141.26 \text{ g/mol}} = 2$$

Molecular Formula $C_{18}H_{34}O_2$

3. What is the formula for a hydrate which consists of 90.7 % SrC_2O_4 and 9.30 % H_2O ?

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol } SrC_2O_4 \mid 90.7 \text{ g } SrC_2O_4}{175.64 \text{ g } SrC_2O_4} = \frac{0.51640 \text{ mol } SrC_2O_4}{0.51610} = 1$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol } H_2O \mid 9.30 \text{ g } H_2O}{18.02 \text{ g } H_2O} = \frac{0.51610 \text{ mol } H_2O}{0.51610} = 1$$

$SrC_2O_4 \cdot H_2O$

1. What is the molecular formula of the molecule that has an empirical formula of CH₂O and a molar mass of 120.1 g/mol?

$$\text{CH}_2\text{O} = 30.03 \text{ g/mol} \quad \frac{120.1 \text{ g/mol}}{30.03 \text{ g/mol}} = 4$$

Molecular Formula C₄H₈O₄

2. What is the molecular formula of the molecule that has an empirical formula of CH₂Cl and a molar mass of 247.5 g/mol?

$$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl} = 49.48 \text{ g/mol} \quad \frac{247.5 \text{ g/mol}}{49.48 \text{ g/mol}} = 5$$

Molecular Formula C₅H₁₀Cl₅

3. Determine the formula for the hydrate from the given information:

a. 0.391 g Li₂SiF₆, 0.0903 g H₂O

Li₂SiF₆ · 2H₂O

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol Li}_2\text{SiF}_6}{155.97 \text{ g Li}_2\text{SiF}_6} \quad \frac{0.391 \text{ g Li}_2\text{SiF}_6}{155.97 \text{ g Li}_2\text{SiF}_6} = \frac{2.5069 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol Li}_2\text{SiF}_6}{2.5069 \times 10^{-3}} = 1$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{18.02 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}} \quad \frac{0.0903 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}}{18.02 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{5.011 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{2.5069 \times 10^{-3}} = 2$$

b. 76.9 % CaSO₃, 23.1 % H₂O

CaSO₃ · 2H₂O

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol CaSO}_3}{120.15 \text{ g CaSO}_3} \quad \frac{76.9 \text{ g CaSO}_3}{120.15 \text{ g CaSO}_3} = \frac{0.64003 \text{ mol CaSO}_3}{0.64003} = 1$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{18.02 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}} \quad \frac{23.1 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}}{18.02 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{1.2819 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{0.64003} = 2$$