

Chemistry Unit 03: The Mathematics of Chemical Reactions

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Grades:

12

Subjects:

Science

Unit Focus

In this unit, students will learn that atoms and molecules can be counted through determining the mass of a pure substance and that this ability to count atoms and molecules plays an important role in many aspects of chemistry. Students explore the mole concept and how it applies to quantitative relationships in chemistry and stoichiometry. Summative assessments may include: written quizzes and tests that include application problems where students demonstrate the quantitative relationships of substances in chemical reactions; models of balanced equations; and lab reports that include experimental design, data analysis, and laboratory practice. Instructional materials include a traditional textbook, numerous teacher-generated readings and handouts, guided inquiry learning activities, and online tutorials/simulations/problem sets.

Stage 1: Desired Results - Key Understandings

Established Goals	Transfer	
Next Generation Science Standards (DCI) Science: 8 • The total number of each type of atom is conserved, and thus the mass does not change. PS1.6.B2	Integrate knowledge from a variety of disciplines and apply it to new situations to make sense of information, formulate insightful questions, and/or solve problems T2	
Science: 12 Both physical models and computers can be used in various ways to aid in the engineering design process. Computers	Design an investigation or model using appropriate scientific tools, resources, and methods T3 Collect, analyze and evaluate the quality of evidence in relation to a question	

are useful for a variety of purposes, such as running simulations to test different ways of solving a problem or to see which one is most efficient or economical; and in making a persuasive presentation to a client about how a given design will meet his or her needs. *ETS1.9.B2*

T4

Develop a valid scientific conclusion, assess its validity and limitations, and determine future course of actions to inspire further questions

T5

Communicate scientific information clearly, thoroughly, and accurately.

T6

Use mathematics to represent physical variables and their relationships, to make quantitative predictions, and to solve problems.

Meaning				
Understandings	Essential Questions			
The fact that atoms are conserved, together with knowledge of the chemical properties of the elements involved, can be used to describe and predict chemical reactions. [PS1.B] U2 (U201) Designs can be conveyed through sketches, drawings, computer simulations, or physical models. These representations are useful in communicating possible solutions to others.	Q1 (Q404) What happens to substances when they react? Q2 (Q411) How do we predict and explain why specific substances react, what they will form, and how much product will result? Q3 (Q200) How do you approach an engineering problem in a systematic way in order to design an effective solution?			
Acquisition of Knowledge and Skill				
Knowledge	Skills			
K1	S1			
Balanced equations represent mole ratios which can be used to apply stoichiometric calculations	Determine the limiting reactant and theoretical yield of a reaction			
K2 Amounts of reactants consumed and	Determine the percent yield of a product			

products formed can be determined from the	S3
k3 Atoms are counted by measuring a mass of a sample. To relate mass and the number of atoms, the average atomic mass is required. The mass of one mole of an element equals the atomic mass in grams	Given the moles or grams of a reaction component, calculate the moles or grams of a different reaction component 54 Given the mass or moles of a substance, students can apply avogadro's number to
K4	determine the number of atoms/molecules in the sample
The molar mass of one mole of a compound	S5
is obtained by finding the sum of the average masses of its constituent atoms	Given experimental data, determine the empirical formula of a compound
K5	S6
Avogadro's number (6.022 x 10^{23}) represents the number of particles in a mole	Create and interpret models of chemical reactions