Answer on question #41841, Chemistry, Physical Chemistry

Question.

What is the molarity of an 86.0 mL ethanol solution containing 3.17 g of ethanol?

Solution.

Molar concentration, c_i is defined as the amount of a constituent n_i (usually measured in moles – hence the name) divided by the volume of the mixture *V*:

$$c_i = rac{n_i}{V}$$
 $n_i = rac{m_i}{M_i}$

Where m_i - mass of the sample and M_i is molar mass of the substance.

Let's calculate the amount of ethanol:

$$n_i = \frac{3.17}{46.07} = 0.0688 \ mol$$

Molar concentration of ethanol is:

$$c_i = \frac{0.0688}{0.086} = 0.8 \; \frac{mol}{L}$$

Answer: 0.8 mol/L