

### Answer on Question #50329, Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry

How many grams of nitrogen and oxygen are dissolved in 125 g of water at 20°C when the water is saturated with air, in which  $P_{\text{nitrogen}}$  equals 593 torr and  $P_{\text{oxygen}}$  equals 159 torr? At 1.00 atm pressure, the solubility of pure oxygen in water is 0.00430 g O<sub>2</sub>/100.0 g H<sub>2</sub>O, and the solubility of pure nitrogen in water is 0.00190 g N<sub>2</sub>/100.0 g H<sub>2</sub>O?

#### Solution:

Henry's law can be put into mathematical terms (at constant temperature) as

$$p = k_H \times c$$

where **p** is the partial pressure of the gaseous solute above the solution,

**c** is the concentration of the dissolved gas and

**k<sub>H</sub>** is a constant with the dimensions of pressure divided by concentration. The constant, known as the Henry's law constant, depends on the solute, the solvent and the temperature.

$$\begin{aligned} k_H &= \frac{p_0}{c_0} = \frac{1 \text{ atm} \times 100 \text{ g}}{m_{\text{gas}0}} \\ k_H &= \frac{p_{\text{partial}}}{c} = \frac{p_{\text{partial}}}{\frac{m_{\text{gas}}}{m_{\text{water}}}} = \frac{p_{\text{partial}} \times m_{\text{water}}}{m_{\text{gas}}} \\ \frac{1 \text{ atm} \times 100 \text{ g}}{m_{\text{gas}0}} &= \frac{p_{\text{partial}} \times m_{\text{water}}}{m_{\text{gas}}} \\ m_{\text{gas}} &= \frac{p_{\text{partial}} \times m_{\text{water}} \times m_{\text{gas}0}}{1 \text{ atm} \times 100 \text{ g}} \end{aligned}$$

Conversion of torr into atm:

$$p_{\text{atm}} = \frac{p_{\text{torr}} \times 1 \text{ atm}}{760 \text{ torr}}$$

So:

$$m_{\text{gas}} = \frac{\frac{p_{\text{torr}} \times 1 \text{ atm}}{760 \text{ torr}} \times m_{\text{water}} \times m_{\text{gas}0}}{1 \text{ atm} \times 100 \text{ g}} = \frac{p_{\text{torr}} \times m_{\text{water}} \times m_{\text{gas}0}}{760 \text{ torr} \times 100 \text{ g}}$$

**Oxygene:**

$$m_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{159 \text{ torr} \times 125 \text{ g} \times 0.00430 \text{ g}}{760 \text{ torr} \times 100 \text{ g}} = \frac{85.4625 \text{ g}}{76000} = 0.0011245 \text{ g}$$

**Nitrogene:**

$$m_{\text{O}_2} = \frac{593 \text{ torr} \times 125 \text{ g} \times 0.00190 \text{ g}}{760 \text{ torr} \times 100 \text{ g}} = \frac{140.8375 \text{ g}}{76000} = 0.001853125 \text{ g}$$

**Answer:**

**0.0011245 g of Oxygene (O<sub>2</sub>)**

**0.001853125 g of Nitrogene (N<sub>2</sub>)**