

Answer on Question #85196 – Chemistry – General Chemistry

A mixture contains 20 cm³ of hydrogen, 35 cm³ of oxygen, 15 cm³ of carbon monoxide and 10 cm³ of nitrogen at STP. Which of the following gives the mole fraction of hydrogen in this mixture?

Solution:

$$V(\text{H}_2) = 20 \text{ cm}^3 = 20 \text{ mL} = 0.020 \text{ L}$$

$$n(\text{H}_2) = V(\text{H}_2)/V_M(\text{H}_2) = 0.020 \text{ L} / 22.4 \text{ L/mol} = 8.90 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

$$V(\text{O}_2) = 35 \text{ cm}^3 = 35 \text{ mL} = 0.035 \text{ L}$$

$$n(\text{O}_2) = V(\text{O}_2)/V_M(\text{O}_2) = 0.035 \text{ L} / 22.4 \text{ L/mol} = 1.56 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$V(\text{CO}) = 15 \text{ cm}^3 = 15 \text{ mL} = 0.015 \text{ L}$$

$$n(\text{CO}) = V(\text{CO})/V_M(\text{CO}) = 0.015 \text{ L} / 22.4 \text{ L/mol} = 6.69 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

$$V(\text{N}_2) = 10 \text{ cm}^3 = 10 \text{ mL} = 0.010 \text{ L}$$

$$n(\text{N}_2) = V(\text{N}_2)/V_M(\text{N}_2) = 0.010 \text{ L} / 22.4 \text{ L/mol} = 4.46 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol}$$

$$n(\text{mixture}) = 4.46 \times 10^{-4} + 6.69 \times 10^{-4} + 1.56 \times 10^{-3} + 8.90 \times 10^{-4} = 3.565 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$$

$$\chi(\text{H}_2) = n(\text{H}_2) / n(\text{mixture}) = 8.90 \times 10^{-4} / 3.565 \times 10^{-3} = 0.25$$

$$\chi(\text{H}_2) = 0.25$$

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