

A sample of cyclobutane, C_4H_8 , contains 0.104 mole of the compound. What is the mass of the sample, in grams?

First, we need the molar mass of cyclobutane

$$4(12.011 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}) + 8(1.0079 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}) = 56.107 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$$

Next, we use molar mass to convert moles to mass

$$(56.107 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1})(0.104 \text{ mol}) = 5.835 \text{ g}$$

What is the mass percent composition of each element in hydrogen sulfite, H_2SO_3 ?

Where to begin? Mass percent: need to know the mass of each element and the whole

Assume 1 mole of the compound. Calculate the mass of the compound and of the stoichiometric number of moles of each element.

Molar Mass of H_2SO_3

$$[2(1.0097) + 1(32.066) + 3(15.9994)]g \cdot mol^{-1} = 82.084 g \cdot mol^{-1}$$

Masses in 1 mole

Mass Percent

$$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3 \quad (1 \text{ mol})(82.084 g \cdot mol^{-1}) = 82.084 g$$

$$\text{H} \quad (2 \text{ mol})(1.0097 g \cdot mol^{-1}) = 2.019 g \quad \left(\frac{2.019}{82.084}\right)100\% = 2.46\%$$

$$\text{S} \quad (1 \text{ mol})(32.066 g \cdot mol^{-1}) = 32.066 g \quad \left(\frac{32.066}{82.084}\right)100\% = 39.1\%$$

$$\text{O} \quad (3 \text{ mol})(15.9994 g \cdot mol^{-1}) = 47.998 g \quad \left(\frac{47.998}{82.084}\right)100\% = 58.5\%$$

The energy required to break the C-C bond in graphite is 500 kJ mol^{-1} . What is the longest wavelength of light capable of breaking a C-C bond?

$$\Delta E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = 500 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{500 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}} \quad 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ 'things'} = 1 \text{ mol}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s})(3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1})}{500 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}} \frac{\text{kJ}}{10^3 \text{ J}} \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23}}{\text{mol}}$$

$$\lambda = 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \frac{10^9 \text{ nm}}{\text{m}} = 239 \text{ nm}$$