Answer on Question #59898 - Chemistry - General Chemistry

Question:

A sample of 3.00 g of an unknown substance was dissolved in 10.0 g of ethanol. This solution was found to have a freezing point 4.5 °C lower than pure ethanol. Find the molar mass of the unknown substance.

Answer:

$$M_1 = \frac{K_k \cdot m_1}{\Delta T \cdot m_2}$$

 m_1 : mass of the dissolved substance in g, m_2 : mass of the solvent in g, M_1 : molar mass of the dissolved substance in g/mol, ΔT : the freezing-point depression, K_k : the cryoscopic constant (characteristic of every solvent). $K_k = 1990 \text{ K} \cdot \text{g/mol}$.

$$M_1 = 1990 \cdot 3/(4.5 \cdot 10) = 132.67 \text{ g/mol}$$