

Task:

What is the oxygen concentration in parts per million of a sample of lake water that has a mass of 310g and contains 2.24mg of dissolved oxygen?

Solution:

ppm — parts per million;

$$\text{ppm}(\text{O}_2) = m(\text{O}_2)/m(\text{solution}) * 1000\ 000;$$

$m(\text{O}_2)$ — mass of dissolved oxygen [grams];

$m(\text{solution})$ — mass of solution [grams];

$$\text{ppm}(\text{O}_2) = 2.24 * 10^{-3} / 310 * 1000\ 000 = 7.2\ \text{ppm};$$

Answer: 7.2 ppm