

Answer on Question #80442 – Chemistry – Other

Task:

How many grams of CO₂ are contained in 22.4 L of CO₂ gas at STP?

Solution:

Standard temperature at STP is zero degrees Celsius (273.15 K) and pressure of the gas at STP is 1 atmosphere (101 kPa).

$$R = 8.314 \text{ J}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} = 0.0821 \text{ L}\cdot\text{atm}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}.$$

So if the gas in question happens to be at STP then the calculation would be:

$PV = nRT$, where P is pressure, V is volume, T is temperature in Kelvin and R is the ideal gas constant.

$$n = m/M;$$

$$M(\text{CO}_2) = \text{Ar}(\text{C}) + 2\cdot\text{Ar}(\text{O}) = 12 + 2\cdot 16 = 44 \text{ g/mol}$$

Then,

$$pV = \frac{m}{M} RT;$$

$$pVM = mRT;$$

$$m = \frac{pVM}{RT};$$

$$m = \frac{1 \cdot 22.4 \cdot 44}{0.0821 \cdot 273.15} = 43.95 \text{ g}$$

Answer: 43.95 grams of CO₂.