

Answer on Question #84361 – Chemistry – Other

Task:

Determine the weight of Na_2SO_4 dissolved in 700 grams of water if the solution has a concentration of 54.5% by weight?

Solution:

Mass percentage is the number of parts of mass of solute per hundred parts by mass of solution. If m_x is the mass of solute X and m_s is the mass of solvent S, then

$$\text{Mass \%} = \frac{m_x}{m_x + m_s} * 100$$

Water (H_2O) is solvent.

Na_2SO_4 is solute.

Then,

$$\text{Mass \%} = \frac{m(\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4)}{m(\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4) + m(\text{H}_2\text{O})} * 100;$$

$$\text{Mass \%} * [m(\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4) + m(\text{H}_2\text{O})] = m(\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4) * 100;$$

$$54.5 * (x + 700) = x * 100;$$

$$54.5x + 38150 = 100x;$$

$$38150 = 100x - 54.5x;$$

$$38150 = 45.5x;$$

$$x = m(\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4) = 838.46 \text{ g}$$

Answer: 838.46 grams of Na_2SO_4