

1. A sample of an organic compound with a mass of 1.634 g was completely burned in oxygen and found to produce 2.396 g of carbon dioxide and 0.981 g of water.

(a) Calculate the empirical formula of the organic compound.

(b) The molecular mass of the compound is 60. What is the molecular formula of the compound?

2. When 2.173 g of an organic compound is burned in oxygen 6.103 g of carbon dioxide and 1.248 g of water were formed.

Calculate the empirical formula of the compound.

3. Ferrocene is an organometallic compound which contain only the elements carbon, hydrogen, and iron. When 1.672 g of ferrocene was burned in oxygen, 3.962 g of carbon dioxide and 0.810 g of water is formed.

Calculate the empirical formula of ferrocene.

Elemental Analysis Ex 3.15

$$(a) \text{ mass of Carbon} = 2396 \times \frac{12}{44} = 0.6534$$

$$\text{mass of Hydrogen} = 0.981 \times \frac{2}{18} = 0.109$$

Since mass of carbon + mass of hydrogen is less than 1.634 oxygen must be present in the compound

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mass oxygen} &= 1.634 - (0.6534 + 0.109) \\ &= 0.8716 \end{aligned}$$

Empirical formula calculation

	C	H	O
mass	0.6534	0.109	0.8716
moles	$\frac{0.6534}{12}$	$\frac{0.109}{1}$	$\frac{0.8716}{16}$
=	0.05445	0.109	0.054475
ratio	$\frac{0.05445}{0.05445}$	$\frac{0.109}{0.05445}$	$\frac{0.054475}{0.05445}$
=	1	2.0018	1.00055

Empirical formula = $\text{C H}_2\text{O}$

1(b) Since mass of $\text{CH}_2\text{O} = 30$
 and molecular mass = 60
 molecular formula = 2 x empirical formula
 = $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2$

2. mass of carbon = $\frac{12}{44} \times 6.103 = 1.664$
 mass of hydrogen = $\frac{2}{44} \times 1.248 = 0.1387$
 mass of oxygen = $2.173 - (1.664 + 0.1387)$
 = 0.3703

	C	H	O
mass	1.664	0.1387	0.3703
moles	$\frac{1.664}{12}$	$\frac{0.1387}{1}$	$\frac{0.3703}{16}$
=	0.1387	0.1387	0.02314
ratio	$\frac{0.1387}{0.02314}$	$\frac{0.1387}{0.02314}$	$\frac{0.02314}{0.02314}$
	5.99	5.99	1

Empirical
 Formula = $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}$

3. same as in-text question