

## Notes: Avogadro's Number

**Representative Particle:** The smallest part of a substance that retains the properties of the substance.

For a **molecular compound** ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), a representative particle is a **molecule**.

For an **ionic compound** ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), a representative particle is a **formula unit**.

For an **atomic substance** (He, Fe), a representative particle is an **atom**.

There are  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  representative particles in a mole of a substance.

**Examples:**

1. How many molecules are in 4.32 moles of  $\text{CO}_2$ ?

$$\frac{4.32 \text{ mole}}{1} \times \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mlc}}{1 \text{ mole}} = 2.60 \times 10^{24} \text{ mlc}$$

2. How many atoms of oxygen are in 22.1 g of  $\text{CO}_2$

$$\frac{22.1 \text{ g CO}_2}{1} \times \frac{1 \text{ mole}}{44.0 \text{ g}} \times \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mlc}}{1 \text{ mole}} \times \frac{2 \text{ atoms O}}{1 \text{ mlc CO}_2} =$$

$$6.05 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms of oxygen.}$$