# 1. Empirical Formula <br> 2. Percent Composition 

## Empirical Formula

## Molecular Formula:

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## Structural Formula:

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| Molecular Formula | Empirical Formula |
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| $\mathrm{P}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{10}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{22}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{O}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ |  |

1. Vinegar is a dilute solution of acetic acid. The molar mass of acetic acid is $60.06 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$ and it has an empirical formula of $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. What is the molecular formula of acetic acid?
2. A compound has an empirical formula of $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{4}$. Which of the following are possible molar masses of the compound? $20 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}, 55 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}, 80 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}, 120 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$.
3. A compound has an empirical formula of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ and a molar mass of $42.09 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$. Determine its molecular formula.
4. A compound is $48.65 \%$ carbon, $8.11 \%$ hydrogen and $43.24 \%$ oxygen. Determine the empirical formula. $\Rightarrow$ Think about having 100.0 g of the substance rather than as a $\% \ldots$
$\Rightarrow$ Convert \% into moles...
$\Rightarrow$ Divide each molar quantity by the smallest one
$\Rightarrow$ Multiply by whatever factor is necessary to get a whole number ratio.
5. A compound contains $9.93 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{C}, 58.6 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{Cl}$, and 31.4 g F. Determine its empirical formula.
6. A small sample of antifreeze was analyzed. It contained $4.51 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{C}, 1.13 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{H}$ and 6.01 g 0 . It was determined that the molar mass is $62.0 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$. What is the molecular formula of antifreeze?
7. A hydrocarbon is a compound containing only carbon and hydrogen. One particular hydrocarbon is $92.29 \%$ carbon by mass. If the compound's molar mass is $78.0 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$ then what is its molecular formula?

## Percent Composition

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- The percent of a compound's mass contributed by each type of atom in the compound.
- Determined from the formula.

8a. Find the percent of carbon by mass in ethane, $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{6}$.
$8 b$. Find the percent of hydrogen by mass in ethane, $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{6}$.
9. What is the percent composition of each type of a sugar with the formula $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{O}_{11}$ ?

## Practice:

10. Calculate the \% composition of the following compounds:
a. $\mathrm{FeCl}_{2}$
b. $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}$
c. $\mathrm{CaCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
d. $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$
e. NaOH
f. $\mathrm{Ag}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Cl}$
g. $\mathrm{K}_{3} \mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{CN})_{6}$
h. $\mathrm{CaCO}_{3}$
11. Calculate the \% of the bold species in the following compounds:
a. $\mathrm{CaCl}_{2} 2 \mathbf{H}_{2} \mathbf{O}$
b. $\mathrm{Al}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{3} \cdot \mathbf{1 8 \mathbf { H } _ { 2 } \mathbf { O }}$
c. $\mathrm{Cr}\left(\mathbf{N H}_{3}\right)_{6} \mathrm{Cl}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
d. $\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathbf{S O}_{4}\right)_{3} \cdot 9 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
e. $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathbf{C}_{2} \mathbf{H}_{3} \mathbf{O}_{2}\right)_{2} .2 \mathrm{NH}_{3}$
f. $\mathrm{NiSO}_{4} .7 \mathbf{H}_{2}$
12. $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2} 2.80 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$ and $120 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol} 3 . \mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ 4. $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ 5. $\mathrm{CCl}_{2} \mathrm{~F}_{2}$ 6. $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ 7. $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6} 8 \mathrm{Ba} .79 .85 \%$ b. 20.15\%
13. $42.098 \%$ C, $6.491 \%$ H, $51.411 \%$ O 10a. Fe: $44.06 \%$ Cl: $55.94 \%$ b. C: $39.99 \%$ H: $6.73 \%$ O: $53.28 \%$
c. Ca:27.26\% Cl: 48.22\% H: 2.75\% O: 21.77\% d. N: 28.19\% H: 8.13\% P: 20.77\% O: 42.92\%
e. Na: $57.48 \%$ 0: $40.00 \%$ H: $2.53 \%$ f. Ag: $60.81 \%$ N: $15.79 \%$ H: $3.42 \%$ Cl: $19.98 \%$
g. K: $35.62 \%$ Fe: $16.96 \%$ C: $21.88 \%$ N: $25.53 \%$ h. Ca: $40.04 \%$ C: $12.00 \%$ 0: $47.96 \%$

11a. $24.51 \%$ b. $48.66 \%$ c. $36.70 \%$ d. $51.27 \%$ e. $54.74 \%$ f. $8.37 \%$

