$M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$ ... the "DILUTION EQUATION"

M_1 = molarity of concentrated solution

V_1 = volume of concentrated solution

M_2 = molarity of dilute solution

V_2 = volume of dilute solution (total volume, not volume of added solvent!)

The volumes don't HAVE to be in liters, as long as you use the same volume UNIT for both volumes!

Example: Take the 0.500 M sodium sulfate we discussed in the previous example and dilute it to make 150. mL of 0.333 M solution. How many mL of the original solution will we need to dilute?

$M_1V_1 = M_2V_2$

$M_1 = 0.500\,M \quad M_2 = 0.333\,M$

$V_1 = ? \quad V_2 = 150.\,mL$

$(0.500\,M)V_1 = (.333\,M)(150.\,mL)$

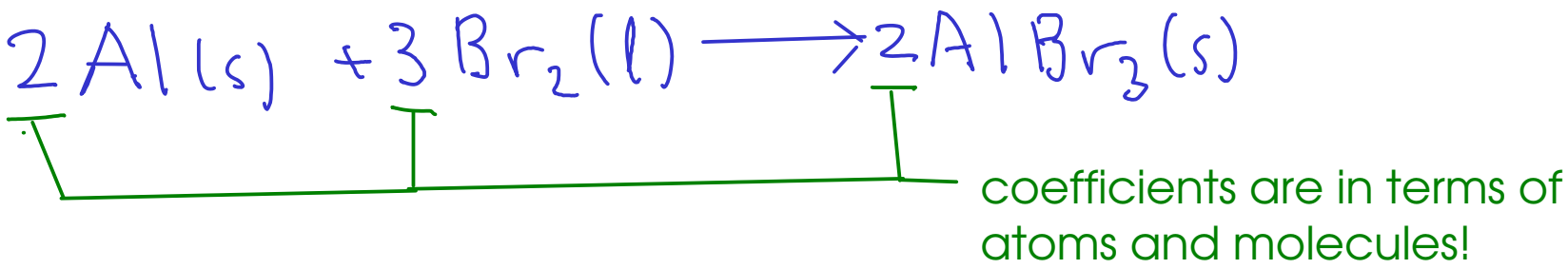
$V_1 = 99.9\,mL$

Take 99.9 mL pf 0.500 M sodium sulfate, and add enough water to make 150. mL of solution!

CHEMICAL CALCULATIONS CONTINUED: REACTIONS

- Chemical reactions proceed on an ATOMIC basis, NOT a mass basis!

- To calculate with chemical reactions (i.e. use chemical equations), we need everything in terms of ATOMS ... which means MOLES of atoms



2 atoms Al = 3 molecules Br_2 = 2 formula units $AlBr_3$

2 mol Al = 3 mol Br_2 = 2 mol $AlBr_3$

- To do chemical calculations, we need to:
  - Relate the amount of substance we know (mass or volume) to a number of moles
  - Relate the moles of one substance to the moles of another using the equation
  - Convert the moles of the new substance to mass or volume as desired