

limiting reactant & percent yield

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KEY

1. (Circle answers). You calculate the theoretical yield by converting the amount of each of the reactants / products into the amount of just one of the (reactants / products).

2. The reactant that gives the least product is called the **LIMITING REACTANT**

3. The formula for finding percent yield is:

$$\% \text{YIELD} = \frac{\text{ACTUAL YIELD}}{\text{THEORETICAL YIELD}} \times 100$$

The balanced reaction we used in lab:



4. Using a periodic table and *the information above*, fill in these conversion factors:

FROM PER. TABLE: $39.10 + 16.00 + 1.01 \leftarrow$ 1 mole of potassium hydroxide = 56.11 grams

FROM THE REACTION \rightarrow 4 mole of H_2SO_4 = 3 moles of H_2

K: $1 \times (39.10) = 39.10$
 Al: $1 \times (26.98) = 26.98$
 S: $2 \times (32.06) = 64.12$
 O: $20 \times (16) = 320.00$
 H: $24 \times (1.00) = 24.24$

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 \rightarrow 1 mole of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O} =$ 474.44 grams $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$

5. In a perfect world, if you react 808 moles of H_2SO_4 in the above reaction how many moles of H_2 will you get?

$$808 \text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 \times \frac{3 \text{ mol H}_2}{4 \text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4} = 606 \text{ mol H}_2$$

6. In the real world, Bobby Brown does the above reaction with 808 moles of H_2SO_4 and he only gets 501 moles of H_2 . What was Mr. Brown's % yield?

$$808 \text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4 \times \left(\frac{3 \text{ mol H}_2}{4 \text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4} \right) = 606 \text{ mol H}_2 \text{ theoretical}$$

$$\% = \frac{501 \text{ mol H}_2}{606 \text{ mol H}_2} = 82.7\%$$

7. If Mr. Brown tries the experiment again, 123 grams of aluminum and 123 grams of KOH and more than enough of the other reactants, ANSWER: ~~KOH~~ KOH is LIMITING

a. which will be the limiting reactant?

#1 $123 \text{ g Al} \times \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol Al}}{26.98 \text{ g Al}} \right) \times \left(\frac{2 \text{ mol ALUM}}{2 \text{ mol Al}} \right) \times \left(\frac{474 \text{ g ALUM}}{1 \text{ mol ALUM}} \right) = 2160 \text{ grams ALUM}$

#2 $123 \text{ g KOH} \times \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol KOH}}{56.11 \text{ g KOH}} \right) \times \left(\frac{2 \text{ mol ALUM}}{2 \text{ mol KOH}} \right) \times \left(\frac{474 \text{ g ALUM}}{1 \text{ mol ALUM}} \right) = 1040 \text{ g ALUM}$

b. How many grams of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$ will be his theoretical yield?

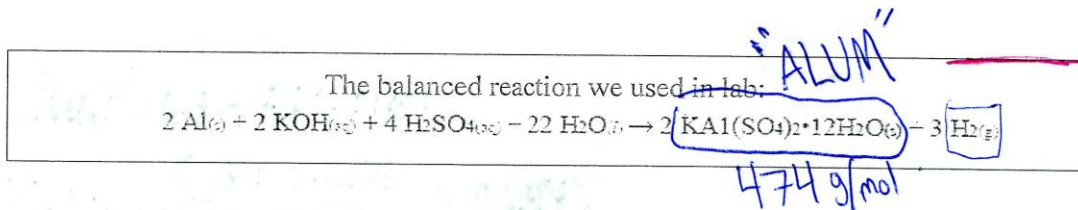
Answer 1040 grams Alum

c. If he only gets 208 g of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$, what was his % yield?

$$\% \text{ yield} = \frac{208 \text{ g Alum}}{1040 \text{ g Alum}} \times 100 = 20.0\%$$

8. Calculate the answer writing both number and correct UNIT.

$$\left(\frac{4 \text{ grams Zn}}{7 \text{ mL Zn}}\right) \times \left(\frac{3 \text{ mL H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mL Zn}}\right) \times \left(\frac{5 \text{ mL Zn}}{2 \text{ mL H}_2\text{O}}\right) = 4 \frac{\text{grams}}{\text{mL}}$$



9. In a perfect world, if you react 40.8 grams of Al in the above reaction how many moles of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$ will you get?

$$40.8 \text{ g Al} \times \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol Al}}{26.98 \text{ g Al}}\right) \times \left(\frac{2 \text{ mol ALUM}}{2 \text{ mol Al}}\right) = 1.51 \text{ moles ALUM}$$

10. In the real world you attempt the above reaction with 40.8 grams of Al and you only get 680. grams of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$

a. What was your % yield? **THEORETICAL YIELD = 1.51 mol ALUM** $\times \left(\frac{474 \text{ g ALUM}}{1 \text{ mol ALUM}}\right) = 717 \text{ g ALUM}$

$$\% \text{ yield} = \frac{680 \text{ g ALUM}}{717 \text{ g ALUM}} \times 100 = 94.8\%$$

b. List three things that might have caused your yield to be so low:

- spilled chemicals?
- incomplete reaction
- OLD/DIRTY REACTANTS
- accident during measuring

11. If you try the above reaction again, using 3.00 grams of aluminum and 16.5 grams of KOH and more than enough of the other reactants, **ANSWER: the limiting reactant is ALUMINUM**

a. which will be the limiting reactant?*

#1 $\frac{3.00 \text{ g Al}}{1} \times \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol Al}}{26.98 \text{ g Al}}\right) \times \left(\frac{2 \text{ mol ALUM}}{2 \text{ mol Al}}\right) \times \left(\frac{474 \text{ g ALUM}}{1 \text{ mol ALUM}}\right) = 52.8 \text{ g "ALUM"}$

#2 $\frac{16.5 \text{ g KOH}}{1} \times \left(\frac{\text{mol KOH}}{\text{g KOH}}\right) \times \left(\frac{\text{mol ALUM}}{\text{mol KOH}}\right) \times \left(\frac{\text{g ALUM}}{\text{mol ALUM}}\right) = 139 \text{ g ALUM}$

b. How many grams of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$ will be your theoretical yield?*

Answer: 52.8 g ALUM

c. If you only get 30.6 g of $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$, what was your % yield?

$$\% \text{ yield} = \frac{30.6 \text{ g ALUM}}{52.8 \text{ g ALUM}} \times 100 = 58.0\%$$

*Strategy: Try converting grams of the first reactant into grams of product, Then do the same for the second reactant. The limiting reactant will be whichever reactant gives the least product

**Strategy: Do a conversion, using the grams of your limiting reactant as the starting point and trying to finish up in grams of your product.