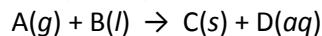


## Chapter 3 Stoichiometry: Calculations with Chemical Formulas and Equations

### 3.1 Chemical Equations

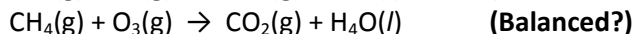
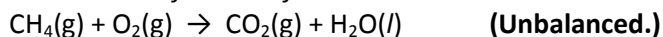
- A **chemical equation** describes a chemical reaction.

Reactants (states) → Products (states)

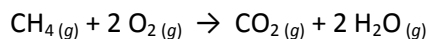


### Balancing Chemical Equations

- The number of atoms of each element must be the same on both sides of the arrow. (**Balancing a chemical equation**)



### Anatomy of a Chemical Equation



Coefficients are inserted to balance the equation.

### Subscripts and Coefficients Give Different Information

**Subscripts** tell the number of atoms of each element in a molecule.

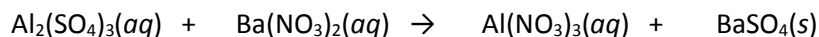
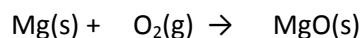
**Coefficients** tell the number of molecules.

### Balancing Chemical Equations

- The process is trial and error.
- General guidelines:
  - Balance each element in the equation starting with the most complex formula.
  - Balance polyatomic ions as a single unit if they appear on both sides of the equation.
  - The coefficients **must** be whole numbers.
  - Finally, check that you have the **smallest** whole number ratio of coefficients.

### Problem 1

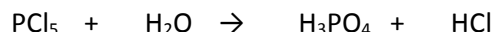
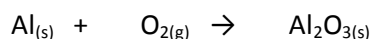
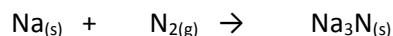
Balance the following equations:



**Note:** In a balanced chemical equation at least one of the coefficients will be an odd number.

### Problem 2

Balance the following equations:

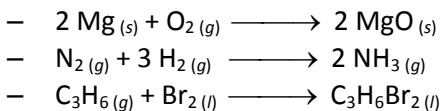


### 3.2 Some Simple Patterns of Chemical Reactivity

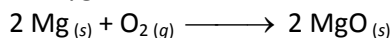
Combination Reactions  
Decomposition Reactions  
Combustion Reactions

**Combination Reactions** – In this type of reaction two or more substances react to form one product.

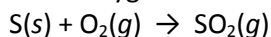
Examples:



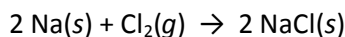
1. metal + oxygen  $\rightarrow$  metal oxide *(predictable)*



2. nonmetal + oxygen  $\rightarrow$  nonmetal oxide *(unpredictable)*



3. metal and a nonmetal  $\rightarrow$  ionic compound (binary) *(predictable)*

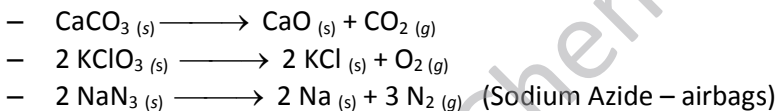


#### Problem 3

Aluminum reacts with bromine in a combination reaction. Predict the product and write the reaction.

**Decomposition Reactions** – In decomposition one substance breaks down into two or more substances.

Examples:



One reactant yields two or more products.

- Metal hydrogen carbonates *(predictable)*
  - $\text{Ni}(\text{HCO}_3)_2(s) \rightarrow \text{NiCO}_3(s) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(l) + \text{CO}_2(g)$
- Metal carbonates *(predictable)*
  - $\text{CaCO}_3(s) \rightarrow \text{CaO}(s) + \text{CO}_2(g)$

#### Combustion Reactions

- These are generally rapid reactions that produce a flame.
- Most often involve hydrocarbons reacting with oxygen in the air.
- Examples:
  - $\text{CH}_{4(g)} + 2 \text{O}_{2(g)} \longrightarrow \text{CO}_{2(g)} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(g)}$
  - $\text{C}_3\text{H}_{8(g)} + 5 \text{O}_{2(g)} \longrightarrow 3 \text{CO}_{2(g)} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(g)}$

#### Problem 4

Write and balance the equation for the combustion of:

a.  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$

b.  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$

### 3.3 Formula Weight (FW)

A formula weight is the sum of the atomic weights for the atoms in a chemical formula.

So, the formula weight of calcium chloride,  $\text{CaCl}_2$ , would be:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Ca: } 1(40.1 \text{ amu}) \\ + \text{Cl: } 2(35.5 \text{ amu}) \\ \hline 111.1 \text{ amu} \end{array}$$

Formula weights are generally reported for ionic compounds.

### Molecular Weight (MW)

A molecular weight is the sum of the atomic weights of the atoms in a molecule.

The MW of ethane ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ) would be:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{C: } 2(12.0 \text{ amu}) \\ + \text{H: } 6(1.0 \text{ amu}) \\ \hline 30.0 \text{ amu} \end{array}$$

### Percent Composition

One can find the percentage of the mass of a compound that comes from each of the elements in the compound by using this equation:

$$\% \text{ element} = \frac{(\text{number of atoms})(\text{atomic weight})}{(\text{FW of the compound})} \times 100$$

So the percentage of carbon in ethane is:

$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{C} &= \frac{(2)(12.0 \text{ amu})}{(30.0 \text{ amu})} \\ &= \frac{24.0 \text{ amu}}{30.0 \text{ amu}} \times 100 \\ &= 80.0\% \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 5

Calculate the mass of each element in Iron (III) sulfate.

### 3.4 Avogadro's Number and the Mole

How do we count small things?

Two options (e.g. paper clips):

- a. One by one. (Too painful!!)
- b. Using the average weight.

Counting atoms by weighing

1. Atoms are too small to count individually. (So we have to count them by weighing)
2. Not all atoms are identical (remember isotopes...?).

Atomic mass unit (amu)

Atoms are tiny, so we use this 'amu' unit to work with their masses.

$$1 \text{ amu} = 1.66 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$$

- 1 H atom weighs 1.008 amu.

- 1 C atom weighs 12.01 amu.

- 1 Fe atom weighs 55.85 amu.

## The Mole

1 dozen = 12

1 gross = 144

1 ream = 500

**1 mole =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  (items) "Avogadro's number"**

Think of the mole as the chemist's "dozen".

In theory we could have a mole of whatever thing!!

1 mole of paper clips =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  paper clips

1 mole of tortillas =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  tortillas

1 mole of cars =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  cars

1 mole of carbon atoms =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  C atoms

1 mole of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$   $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules

1 mole of  $\text{NaCl}$  =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$   $\text{NaCl}$  formula units

But just how big is Avogadro's Number ( $N_A$ )?

How much time would it take to travel a distance equal to  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  mm moving at a rate of 100.0 km/hr ( $\approx 60$  mi/hr)?

**$9.821 \times 10^9$  lifetimes** (assuming 70 years)

The volume occupied by one mole of softballs would be about the size of the Earth.

Putting it all together:

- Masses of atoms are tiny:

1 amu =  $1.66 \times 10^{-24}$  g

- $N_A$  is very large!

$6.022 \times 10^{23}$  items

What happens when we combine both?

And the trick is...

1 H atom weighs 1.008 amu.

1 mol of H atoms weighs 1.008 grams!

1 C atom weighs 12.01 amu.

1 mol of C atoms weighs 12.01 grams!

Get the picture??

1 Fe atom weighs 55.85 amu.

1 mol of Fe atoms weighs... ?

### Molar masses of compounds

**Molecular Weight** =  $12.01 \text{ amu} + 4(1.008 \text{ amu}) = 16.04 \text{ amu/molecule}$

**Molar Mass** =  $12.01 \text{ g} + 4(1.008 \text{ g}) = 16.04 \text{ g/mol}$

New Conversion Factors

1 mole =  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  particles

Molar mass = #g/1 mole (*Depending on the material*)

**We now can relate the following:**

#atoms  $\Leftrightarrow$  #moles  $\Leftrightarrow$  #grams

### Problem 6

How many moles of cobalt are there in 10.5 g Co? (Co: 58.93 g/mol)

### Problem 7

What is the mass of  $3.06 \times 10^{20}$  carbon atoms?

**Problem 8**

How many atoms of helium are there in 25.0 g He?

**Problem 9**

How many moles of  $\text{SO}_3$  are there in 10.0g of  $\text{SO}_3$ ?

**Problem 10**

How many oxygen atoms are there in 25.0mg of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$  (glucose)?

**3.5 Finding Empirical Formulas**

The **empirical formula** of a compound is the simplest whole number ratio of atoms of each element in a molecule. Formula units for ionic compounds are equal to their empirical formulas

One can calculate the empirical formula from the percent composition.

1. Convert masses to moles (if you are given mass %, assume 100 grams of sample).
2. Find the mole ratio – divide by the lowest number of moles.
3. Make sure it is a whole number ratio.

**Example 1**

Determine the empirical formula of acetic anhydride if its percent composition is: 47% carbon, 47% oxygen, and 6.0% hydrogen.

Assume 100 g of sample: 47 g C, 47 g O, and 6.0 g H.

Convert the grams to moles

$$47\text{ g C} \times \frac{1\text{ mol C}}{12.01\text{ g}} = 3.92\text{ mol C}$$

$$47\text{ g O} \times \frac{1\text{ mol O}}{16.00\text{ g}} = 2.94\text{ mol O}$$

$$6.0\text{ g H} \times \frac{1\text{ mol H}}{1.008\text{ g}} = 5.95\text{ mol H}$$

**Note:** Keep an extra digit...

Divide each by the smallest number of moles. (For this example, 2.9 is the smallest.)

$$3.91\text{ mol C} \div 2.94 = 1.33$$

$$5.95\text{ mol H} \div 2.94 = 2.0$$

$$2.94\text{ mol O} \div 2.94 = 1$$

If any of the ratios is not a whole number, multiply all the ratios by a factor to make it a whole number.

$$3.91\text{ mol C} \div 2.94 = 1.33 \times 3 = 4$$

$$5.95\text{ mol H} \div 2.94 = 2.0 \times 3 = 6$$

$$2.9\text{ mol O} \div 2.9 = 1 \times 3 = 3$$

Use the ratios as the subscripts in the empirical formula:



### Example 2

The compound *para*-aminobenzoic acid (you may have seen it listed as PABA on your bottle of sunscreen) is composed of carbon (61.31%), hydrogen (5.14%), nitrogen (10.21%), and oxygen (23.33%). Find the empirical formula of PABA.

Assuming 100.00 g of *para*-aminobenzoic acid,

Calculate the mole ratio by dividing by the smallest number of moles:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \text{C:} & 61.31 \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{12.01 \text{ g}} & = 5.105 \text{ mol C} \\ \text{H:} & 5.14 \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{1.01 \text{ g}} & = 5.09 \text{ mol H} \\ \text{N:} & 10.21 \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{14.01 \text{ g}} & = 0.7288 \text{ mol N} \\ \text{O:} & 23.33 \text{ g} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{16.00 \text{ g}} & = 1.456 \text{ mol O} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \text{C:} & \frac{5.105 \text{ mol}}{0.7288 \text{ mol}} & = 7.005 \approx 7 \\ \text{H:} & \frac{5.09 \text{ mol}}{0.7288 \text{ mol}} & = 6.984 \approx 7 \\ \text{N:} & \frac{0.7288 \text{ mol}}{0.7288 \text{ mol}} & = 1.000 \\ \text{O:} & \frac{1.456 \text{ mol}}{0.7288 \text{ mol}} & = 2.001 \approx 2 \end{array}$$

These are the subscripts for the empirical formula:  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$

### Molecular Formulas from Empirical Formulas

- Is always a multiple of the empirical formula.
- Divide the molar mass known for the compound(given in the problem) by the molar mass calculated for the empirical formula. Then round your answer to the nearest whole number.

### Example

Determine the molecular formula of benzopyrene if it has a molar mass of 252 g and an empirical formula of  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_3$

Determine the empirical formula (if it is not given).

May need to calculate it as previously  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_3$

Determine the molar mass of the empirical formula:  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_3$

$$5 \text{ C} = 60.05 \text{ g}, 3 \text{ H} = 3.024 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{C}_5\text{H}_3 = 63.07 \text{ g}$$

Divide the given molar mass of the compound by the molar mass of the empirical formula.

$$\text{Round to the nearest whole number: } \frac{252 \text{ g}}{63.07 \text{ g}} = 4$$

Multiply the empirical formula by the calculated factor to give the molecular formula:  $(\text{C}_5\text{H}_3)_4 = \text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{12}$

### Combustion Analysis

Compounds containing C, H and O are routinely analyzed through combustion in a chamber like this.

- C is determined from the mass of  $\text{CO}_2$  produced.
- H is determined from the mass of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  produced.
- O is determined by difference after the C and H have been determined.

### Example

Isopropyl alcohol, sold as rubbing alcohol, is composed of C, H and O. Combustion of 0.255 g of isopropyl alcohol produces 0.516 g of  $\text{CO}_2$  and 0.306 g of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Determine the empirical formula of isopropyl alcohol.

- From the mass of  $\text{CO}_2$  we calculate the mass of C, and from the mass of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  we calculate the mass of H. The difference with the total mass of the sample will give us the mass of O.

$$\text{grams of C} = (0.516 \text{ g CO}_2) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol CO}_2}{44.0 \text{ g CO}_2} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol C}}{1 \text{ mol CO}_2} \right) \left( \frac{12.0 \text{ g C}}{1 \text{ mol C}} \right) = 0.153 \text{ g C}$$

$$\text{grams of H} = (0.306 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{18.0 \text{ g H}_2\text{O}} \right) \left( \frac{2 \text{ mol H}}{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}} \right) \left( \frac{1.01 \text{ g H}}{1 \text{ mol H}} \right) = 0.0343 \text{ g H}$$

$$\text{Mass of O} = \text{mass of sample} - (\text{mass of C} + \text{mass of H})$$

$$\text{Mass of O} = 0.255 \text{ g} - (0.153 \text{ g} + 0.0343 \text{ g})$$

- The empirical formula of isopropyl alcohol is:

$$\text{moles of C} = (0.153 \text{ g C}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol C}}{12.0 \text{ g C}} \right) = 0.0128 \text{ mol C}$$

$$\text{moles of H} = (0.0343 \text{ g H}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol H}}{1.01 \text{ g H}} \right) = 0.0340 \text{ mol H}$$

$$\text{moles of O} = (0.068 \text{ g O}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol O}}{16.0 \text{ g O}} \right) = 0.0043 \text{ mol O}$$

$$\text{C: } \left( \frac{0.128}{0.0043} \right) = 3.0 \quad \text{H: } \left( \frac{0.340}{0.0043} \right) = 7.9 \quad \text{O: } \left( \frac{0.0043}{0.0043} \right) = 1$$



### 3.6 Quantitative Information from Balanced Equations

The coefficients in a balanced equation give the relative numbers of molecules.

A **balanced** chemical equation is like a recipe.

Cheesecake recipe: 3 blocks cream cheese + 5 eggs + 1 cup sugar → 1 cake

Given that the balanced equation is: 3 blocks cream cheese + 5 eggs + 1 cup sugar → 1 cake

How many eggs are required to bake 2 cakes?

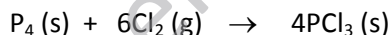
- What we want: How many eggs
- What we are given: 2 cakes

$$2 \text{ cakes} \times (\text{conversion factor}) = ? \text{ eggs}$$

The conversion factor, 5 eggs / 1 cake, comes directly from the balanced equation.

$$2 \text{ cakes} \times (5 \text{ eggs} / 1 \text{ cake}) = 10 \text{ eggs}$$

The coefficients from a balanced equation can be put in the form of **mole ratios** (conversion factors for factor-label calculations). Example:



$$\frac{1 \text{ mol P}_4}{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2} \text{ or } \frac{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2}{1 \text{ mol P}_4} \text{ or } \frac{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2}{4 \text{ mol PCl}_3} \text{ or } \frac{4 \text{ mol PCl}_3}{1 \text{ mol P}_4}, \text{ etc.}$$

#### Problem 11

How many moles of  $\text{P}_4$  are needed to react with 1.50 moles of  $\text{Cl}_2$ ?  $\text{P}_4 (\text{s}) + 6\text{Cl}_2 (\text{g}) \rightarrow 4\text{PCl}_3 (\text{s})$

#### Problem 12

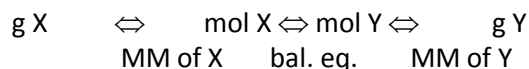
How many moles of  $\text{PCl}_3$  can be formed starting with 5.00 moles of  $\text{P}_4$ ?  $\text{P}_4 (\text{s}) + 6\text{Cl}_2 (\text{g}) \rightarrow 4\text{PCl}_3 (\text{s})$

#### Problem 13

How many moles of  $\text{Cl}_2$  are needed to produce 7.00 moles of  $\text{PCl}_3$ ?  $\text{P}_4 (\text{s}) + 6\text{Cl}_2 (\text{g}) \rightarrow 4\text{PCl}_3 (\text{s})$

## Stoichiometry

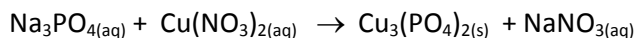
The process of using a chemical equation to calculate the relative masses of reactants and products involved in a reaction is called **stoichiometry**.



The balanced equation tells us the ratio of moles of compounds that react and/or are produced.

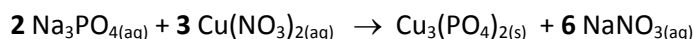
### Example 1

Given the equation:



**Q.** If 30.0 g  $\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4$  reacts with enough  $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ , what mass of copper (II) phosphate will be formed?

1. We need to balance the equation!



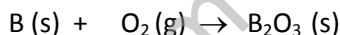
2. We need the molar mass of the compounds involved:

- $\text{MM Na}_3\text{PO}_4 = 3(22.99) + 30.97 + 4(16.00) = 163.94 \text{ g/mol}$
- $\text{MM Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2 = 3(63.55) + 2(30.97) + 8(16.00) = 380.59 \text{ g/mol}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{g X} & \Leftrightarrow & \text{mol X} & \Leftrightarrow & \text{mol Y} & \Leftrightarrow & \text{g Y} \\ \text{MM of X} & & \text{bal. eq.} & & \text{MM of Y} & & \end{array} \quad 30.0 \text{g Na}_3\text{PO}_4 \left( \frac{1 \text{mol Na}_3\text{PO}_4}{163.94 \text{g Na}_3\text{PO}_4} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{mol Cu}_3\text{PO}_4}{2 \text{mol Na}_3\text{PO}_4} \right) \left( \frac{380.59 \text{g Cu}_3\text{PO}_4}{1 \text{mol Cu}_3\text{PO}_4} \right) = 34.8 \text{g Cu}_3\text{PO}_4$$

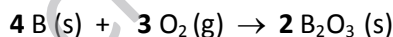
### Example 2

Given the equation:



**Q.** When 3.00 moles of Boron reacts with enough  $\text{O}_2$ , what mass of  $\text{B}_2\text{O}_3$  is formed?

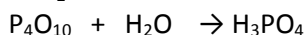
We need to balance the equation!



$$3.00 \text{mol B} \left( \frac{2 \text{mol B}_2\text{O}_3}{4 \text{mol B}} \right) \left( \frac{69.62 \text{g B}_2\text{O}_3}{1 \text{mol B}_2\text{O}_3} \right) = 104 \text{g B}_2\text{O}_3$$

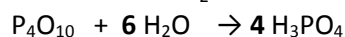
### Problem 14

What mass of  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  is needed to react with 25.0 g of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ?



### Problem 15

What mass of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is needed to produce 50.0g of  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  in the same reaction?





### 3.7 Limiting Reactant

Say you are going to 'react' bicycle frames with bicycle wheels to 'form' bicycles

– If you have 20 bicycle frames and 42 wheels

Which 'reactant' is in excess?

Which 'reactant' is limiting?

Which 'reactant' is completely 'consumed' in this reaction?

How many of the excess reactants are left over.



How Many Cookies Can I Make?

You can make cookies until you run out of one of the ingredients.

Once this family runs out of sugar, they will stop making cookies (at least any cookies you would want to eat).

#### Limiting Reactants

The limiting reactant is the reactant present in the smallest stoichiometric amount.

In other words, it's the reactant you'll run out of first.

#### There are two ways to find the limiting reactant:

1. Converting the mass or moles of all reactants to mass of one (any) of the products; the one that yields the least amount is the LR.

#### Example 1

If we have the reaction:

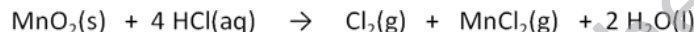


a. When 10.2 g  $\text{MnO}_2$  react with 18.3 g  $\text{HCl}$ , which one is the limiting reactant?

b. What mass of chlorine gas can be produced?

c. How many molecules of water can be produced?

(\*Read the whole problem so you can simplify your work.)



a. When 10.2 g  $\text{MnO}_2$  react with 18.3 g  $\text{HCl}$ , which one is the limiting reactant?

$$10.2 \text{g MnO}_2 \frac{1 \text{mol MnO}_2}{86.94 \text{g MnO}_2} \frac{1 \text{mol Cl}_2}{1 \text{mol MnO}_2} = 0.117 \text{mol Cl}_2$$

$$18.3 \text{g HCl} \frac{1 \text{mol HCl}}{36.46 \text{g HCl}} \frac{1 \text{mol Cl}_2}{4 \text{mol HCl}} = 0.125 \text{mol Cl}_2$$

$\text{MnO}_2(\text{s})$  is the limiting reactant.

b. What mass of chlorine gas can be produced?

(Notice we already know what is the maximum amount of chlorine produced – in moles – from point a.)

The maximum amount will be the one produced by the limiting reactant.

$$0.117 \text{mol Cl}_2 \frac{70.90 \text{g Cl}_2}{1 \text{mol Cl}_2} = 8.30 \text{g Cl}_2$$

c. How many molecules of water can be produced?

(\*Notice how everything is related to the LR.)

$$10.2 \text{g MnO}_2 \left( \frac{1 \text{mol MnO}_2}{86.94 \text{g MnO}_2} \right) \left( \frac{2 \text{mol H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{mol MnO}_2} \right) \left( \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{molecules H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{mol H}_2\text{O}} \right) = 1.41 \times 10^{23} \text{molecules H}_2\text{O}$$

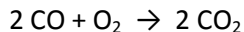
**Remember, there are two ways to find the limiting reactant:**

**2.** Compare the mass (or number of moles) of reactants that we *actually have*, to those that we would need in *theory* for the reaction.

### Example 2

Determine the number of moles of carbon dioxide produced when 3.2 moles oxygen reacts with 4.0 moles of carbon monoxide.

Write the balanced equation:



The amounts of reactants we actually have are: 3.2 moles  $\text{O}_2$  and 4.0 moles  $\text{CO}$ .

Now we calculate what we would need in theory:

$$3.2 \text{ moles O}_2 \times \frac{2 \text{ moles CO}}{1 \text{ mole O}_2} = 6.4 \text{ moles CO}$$

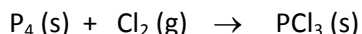
Since the calculated moles of  $\text{CO}$  (6.4 moles) needed to react with all the oxygen is greater than the given 4.0 moles of  $\text{CO}$  we can say that  $\text{CO}$  is the **limiting reactant**.

Finally, use the limiting reactant ( $\text{CO}$  in this case) to determine the moles of product:

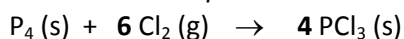
$$4.0 \text{ moles CO} \times \frac{2 \text{ moles CO}_2}{2 \text{ mole CO}} = 4.0 \text{ moles CO}_2$$

### Example 3

If you combine 10.0 g  $\text{P}_4$  and 10.0 g  $\text{Cl}_2$ , what mass of  $\text{PCl}_3$  can be formed? What mass of the excess reactant remains?



1. Balance the Eq.



2. Find the moles of each reactant.

$$10.0 \text{ g Cl}_2 \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol Cl}_2}{70.90 \text{ g Cl}_2} \right) = 0.1410 \text{ mol Cl}_2$$

$$10.0 \text{ g P}_4 \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol P}_4}{123.88 \text{ g P}_4} \right) = 0.08072 \text{ mol P}_4$$

3. Using the balanced eq., find the LR:

a. By converting the moles of reactants to moles of one of the products (we have just one option here:  $\text{PCl}_3$ )

$$0.1410 \text{ mol Cl}_2 \left( \frac{4 \text{ mol PCl}_3}{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2} \right) = 0.09400 \text{ mol PCl}_3 \quad \text{LR}$$

$$0.08072 \text{ mol P}_4 \left( \frac{4 \text{ mol PCl}_3}{1 \text{ mol P}_4} \right) = 0.3228 \text{ mol PCl}_3$$

b. By comparing what we actually have with the theoretical amount needed.

$$0.08072 \text{ mol P}_4 \frac{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2}{1 \text{ mol P}_4} = 0.484 \text{ mol Cl}_2 \text{ (Needed)}$$

Since we already calculated we have only 0.1410 mol of  $\text{Cl}_2$ , this is the **LR** (Same as above.)

4. Once the LR has been identified, use its number of moles to calculate the amount of product obtained, and the amount of the other reactants that is used.

$$0.1410 \text{ mol Cl}_2 \left( \frac{4 \text{ mol PCl}_3}{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2} \right) \left( \frac{137.32 \text{ g PCl}_3}{1 \text{ mol PCl}_3} \right) = 12.9 \text{ g PCl}_3 \text{ (form)}$$

$$0.1410 \text{ mol Cl}_2 \left( \frac{1 \text{ mol P}_4}{6 \text{ mol Cl}_2} \right) \left( \frac{123.88 \text{ g P}_4}{1 \text{ mol P}_4} \right) = 2.911 \text{ g P}_4 \text{ (reacted)}$$

To find what is left of the reactant in excess:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 10.0 \text{ g P}_4 & - 2.911 \text{ g P}_4 & = 7.088 \text{ g P}_4 \rightarrow 7.1 \text{ g P}_4 \\ \text{(start)} & \text{(reacted)} & \text{(left)} \end{array}$$

### Example 3 (Alternate Method)

Use a table of amounts in moles after determining the LR:

Substance	P <sub>4</sub>	+	6 Cl <sub>2</sub>	→	4 PCl <sub>3</sub>
Initial	0.08072 mol		0.1410 mol		0 mol
Change	-x		-6x		+4x
Final	0.08072 - x		0.1410 - 6x		4x

Since Cl<sub>2</sub> is the LR, completely used up, final Cl<sub>2</sub> = 0. Therefore:

$$0.1410 - 6x = 0; \quad x = 0.1410/6 = 0.0235 \text{ mol Cl}_2.$$

$$\text{PCl}_3 \text{ formed} = 4x = 4(0.0235 \text{ mol}) = 0.0940 \text{ mol PCl}_3$$

$$\text{P}_4 \text{ left} = 0.08072 - x = 0.08072 \text{ mol} - 0.0235 \text{ mol} = 0.0940 \text{ mol P}_4$$

With the molar masses we can convert these results in moles to grams.

### Problem 16

If 100. g of butane (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>) is burned in 390. g oxygen gas, what mass of CO<sub>2</sub> is produced? What mass of the excess reactant is left over? Use a table of amounts to answer.

### Theoretical Yield

The theoretical yield is the maximum amount of product that can be made.

– In other words it's the amount of product possible as calculated through the stoichiometry problem.

This is different from the actual yield, which is the amount one actually produces and measures.

One finds the percent yield by comparing the amount actually obtained (actual yield) to the amount it was possible to make (theoretical yield).

$$\text{Percent Yield} = \frac{\text{Actual Yield}}{\text{Theoretical Yield}} \times 100$$

### Percent Yield

$$92\% \text{ yield means } \frac{92 \text{ g actual}}{100 \text{ g theoretical}}$$

### Problem 17

If a synthesis has an 87% yield, what theoretical yield is needed to produce 75 g of product?

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