# Lecture Notes: More Limiting Reactant Practice and Percent Yield

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### More Involved Limiting Reactant Problems

### Problem 1: Limiting Reactant Problems "in disguise":

A potential fuel for rockets involves the reaction of  $B_5H_9$  and  $O_2$ . They react according to the following balanced chemical equation:

$$2 B_5 H_9(l) + 12 O_2(g) \longrightarrow 5 B_2 O_3(s) + 9 H_2 O(g)$$

If one tank in a rocket holds  $126 \text{ g B}_5\text{H}_9$  and another tank holds  $192 \text{ g O}_2$ , what mass of water will be produced in this process.

#### Problem 2: Dealing With More Than Two Reactants

Titanium tetrachloride (TiCl<sub>4</sub>) is an important intermediate in the production of titanium metal. It is a major product of the following reaction:

$$3 \operatorname{TiO}_2(s) + 4 \operatorname{C}(s) + 6 \operatorname{Cl}_2(s) \longrightarrow 3 \operatorname{TiCl}_4(s) + 2 \operatorname{CO}_2 + 2 \operatorname{CO}_3$$

Given that 12.0 g of TiO<sub>2</sub> and 14.5 g of C react in a cylinder containing 30.0 g of Cl. How much titanium tetrachloride will be produced in this process?

## Percent Yield

Theoretical Yield: The amount of a product formed when the limiting reactant is completely consumed

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

### Problem 3: Calculating Percent Yield When Given Actual Yield

For the balanced equation shown below, if the reaction of 20.7 grams of CaCO<sub>3</sub> produces 6.81 grams of CaO, what is the percent yield?

$$CaCO_3 \longrightarrow CaO + CO_2$$

### Problem 4: Calculating Necessary Amount of Reactant Given Percent Yield

Consider the following unbalanced reaction:

$$P_4(s) + F_2(s) \longrightarrow PF_3(s)$$

What mass of F<sub>2</sub> is needed to produce 120 g of PF<sub>3</sub> if the reaction has a 78.1% yield?

### Problem 5: Calculating Amount of Product Formed Given Percent Yield

For the balanced equation shown below, if the reaction of 40.8 grams of  $C_6H_6O_3$  produces a 39.0% yield, how many grams of  $H_2O$  would be produced?

$$C_6H_6O_3 + 6O_2 \longrightarrow 6CO_2 + 3H_2O$$

### Problem 6: Calculating Percent Yield Given Volume and Density

Aluminum reacts with bromine to produce aluminum bromide:

$$2 \operatorname{Al}(s) + 3 \operatorname{Br}_2(l) \longrightarrow 2 \operatorname{AlBr}_3(s)$$

In a certain experiment, 20.0 mL of bromine (density = 3.10 g/mL) was reacted with excess aluminum to yield 50.3 g of aluminum bromide. What is the percent yield for this experiment?