Guided Notes: Limiting Reactants and Percent Yield

Limiting Reactants:

 Reactions stop when •Limiting reactant (reagent) -- _____

- •Determines how much ______. •Excess reactant (reagent) -- _____

Steps to Finding the Limiting Reactant:

- 1. Convert from each reactant to the other using dimensional analysis (DA).
- 2. Begin your calculations with initial amounts of each substance.
- 3. If your answer (what you need) is greater than what you have (given), that is your limiting reactant.
- 4. If your answer (what you need) is less than what you have (given), that is your excess reactant.

Practice:

- 1. What is the limiting reactant when 25.0 mole of iron (III) oxide reacts with 30.0 moles of carbon monoxide?
- 2. What is the limiting reactant if 3.50 grams of hydrogen reacts with 5.00 grams of nitrogen?

Amount of Product Formed:

- 1. Start your calculation with the amount of the limiting reactant given in the problem
- 2. Limiting reactants always determine the amount of product formed.

Practice:

- 1. $6 \text{ CO}_2 + 6 \text{H}_2 \text{O} --> \text{C}_6 \text{H}_{12} \text{O}_6 +$ 6 O₂
 - a. What is the limiting reactant?
 - b. How many moles of glucose will be produced by this reaction?
- 2. $P_4(s) + 5 O_2(g) --> P_4O_{10}(s)$
 - a. What is the limiting reactant?
 - b. How many grams of P_4O_{10} will be produced by this reaction?

Percent Yield:

- -- Not all chemical reactions go _____
- -- Because of this, we have a mathematical way to ______

Actual Yield:

Theoretical Yield:

Equation:



Practice:

1. Antacids often contain aluminum hydroxide to neutralize stomach acid (HCl). If a tablet contains 14.0g of aluminum hydroxide, determine the theoretical yield of AlCl₃ produced in the reaction with stomach acid.

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- a. If the actual yield of aluminum chloride is 22.0 g, what is the percent yield?
- Ethanol (C₂H₅OH) is produced from the fermentation of sucrose in the presence of enzymes. Determine the theoretical and percent yields of ethanol if 684 g of sucrose undergoes fermentation and 349 g of ethanol is obtained.

 $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}(aq) + H_2O(I) --> 4C_2H_5OH(I) + 4CO_2(g)$