Answer on Question #66381 - Chemistry - General Chemistry

Task:

How much heat is produced by the complete combustion of 244 g of CH4? $CH_4(g)+2O_2(g)\rightarrow CO_2(g)+2H_2O(g)$, $\Delta H \circ r = -802.3kJ$

Solution:

Reaction:

$$CH4(g) + 2 O2(g) \rightarrow CO2(g) + 2 H2O(g)$$

ΔHor=-802.3kJ . The negative sign just means that it is releasing energy.

The enthalpy as a conversion factor:

$$\frac{-802\,kJ\;energy}{1\,mol\,CH_4\,reacted}$$

So,

$$n(CH_4) = \frac{m(CH_4)}{M(CH_4)} = \frac{244 g}{16 \frac{g}{mol}} = 15.25 mol.$$

Then,

$$15.25 \, mol \, CH_4 \bullet \frac{-802 \, kJ \, energy}{1 \, mol \, CH_4 \, reacted} = -12230.5 \, kJ \, energy$$

Answer: -12230.5 kJ energy produced by the complete combustion of 244 g of CH4