## Answer on Question #69858, Chemistry, General Chemistry

The carbon content of steel can be determined by burning the steel and measuring the CO<sub>2</sub> produced according to:

C(dissolved in steel) +  $O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g)$ 

If a 7.10 g sample of steel possesses 0.56 mass % C, how many grams of  $CO_2$  should be produced? I got 0.03976g for Carbon in steel by using mass percent but how do i find how much grams  $CO_2$  is?

## **Solution:**

In the following chemical reaction:

C(dissolved in steel) +  $O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g)$ 

The mass of pure Carbon is:

$$Xg - 0.56\%$$

So:

$$X = \frac{0.56 \cdot 7.10}{100} = 0.03976$$
 (g)

According to chemical reaction, we can write a proportion:

$$C + O_2(g) \rightarrow CO_2(g)$$

Where:

$$X = \frac{0.03976 \cdot 44}{12} = 0.1458$$
 (g)

Thus, mass of Carbon dioxide CO<sub>2</sub>, which should be produced, equals 0.1458 grams.

**Answer:**  $m(CO_2) = 0.1458 g$ .