

For the following reaction, 4.63 grams of oxygen gas are mixed with excess carbon (graphite) . Assume that the percent yield of carbon dioxide is 94.8 %.

carbon (graphite)(s) + oxygen(g) carbon dioxide(g)

What is the theoretical yield of carbon dioxide ?

grams

What is the actual yield of carbon dioxide ?

grams

**Solution:**

$$1. C + O_2 = CO_2;$$

$$2. n(O_2) = m(O_2) / M(O_2); M(O_2) = 32 \text{ gram/mole}$$

$$n(O_2) = 4.63 / 32 = 0.145 \text{ mol}$$

$$3. n(O_2) = n(CO_2), \text{ for the equation of reaction;}$$

$$\text{So, } n(CO_2) = 0.145 \text{ mol}$$

$$4. m(CO_2) = n(CO_2) \times M(CO_2);$$

$$M(CO_2) = 44 \text{ gram/mole;}$$

$$m(CO_2) = 0.145 \times 44 = 6.38 \text{ gram. It is theoretical yield.}$$

$$5. m'(CO_2) = m(CO_2) \times 94.8\% / 100\%$$

$$m'(CO_2) = 6.38 \times 94.8\% / 100\% = 8.89 \text{ gram. It is actual yield.}$$

**Answer:**  $m(CO_2) = 6.38 \text{ gram}; m'(CO_2) = 8.89 \text{ gram.}$

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