Stoichiometry - Limiting Reactants

- 1. Hydrogen gas can be produced in the laboratory by the reaction of magnesium metal with hydrochloric acid.
 - a) How many grams of hydrogen can be produced when 4.00 g of hydrochloric acid are added to 3.00 g of magnesium?
 - b) What is the volume of this hydrogen at standard conditions?
- Potassium nitrate is widely used as a fertilizer because it provides two essential elements, potassium and nitrogen. It is made by mixing potassium chloride and nitric acid in the presence of oxygen according to the equation:

$$4KCI + 4HNO_3 + O_2 \rightarrow 4KNO_3 + 2CI_2 + 2H_2O_3$$

How many kilograms of potassium nitrate will be produced from 50.0 kg of potassium chloride and 50.0 kg of nitric acid? An important by-product is chlorine. How many kilograms of chlorine will be produced?

 Phosphorus forms a compound similar to ammonia. The compound has the formula PH₃ and is called phosphine. It can be prepared by the reaction:

 P_4 + 3NaOH + 3H₂O \rightarrow PH₃ + 3NaH₂PO₂

If 20.0 g of phosphorus and 50.0 g of sodium hydroxide are reacted with excess water, how many grams of phosphine will be obtained?

- 4. Bromine can be prepared by adding chlorine to an aqueous solution of sodium bromide. How many grams of bromine are formed if 25.0 g of sodium bromide and 25.0 g of chlorine are reacted?
- 5. Silver tarnishes in the presence of hydrogen sulfide, a gas that originate from the decay of food, because of the reaction:

 $4Ag + 2H_2S + O_2 \rightarrow 2Ag_2S + 2H_2O$

The black product, silver sulfide, is the "tarnish". If 25.00 g of silver, 5.00 g of hydrogen sulfide, and 4.00 g of oxygen are present in a reaction mixture, which one is the limiting reactant, and what mass of silver sulfide is produced?

- 6. Sulfur dioxide can be produced from the reaction of hydrogen sulfide and oxygen as shown by the following reaction: $2H_2S + 3O_2 \rightarrow 2SO_2 + 2H_2O$
 - a) How many grams of sulfur dioxide can be produced from 70.0 g of hydrogen sulfide and 125 g of oxygen.
 - b) How many grams of excess reactant are left over after the reaction is complete?
- 7. What mass of carbon disulfide is produced when 17.5 g of carbon are reacted with 39.5 g of sulfur dioxide according to the equation:

$$5C(s) + 2SO_2(g) \rightarrow CS_2(s) + 4CO(g)$$

8. What mass of P4 is produced when 41.5 g of Ca3(PO4)2, 26.5 g of SiO2 and 7.80 g of C

are reacted according to the equation:

 $2Ca_3(PO_4)_2 + 6SiO_2 + 10C \rightarrow P_4 + 6CaSiO_3 + 10CO$

- 9. What volume of carbon dioxide, measured at STP, can be produced when 15.65 g of pentane is reacted with 40.0 L of oxygen, measured at STP, according to the equation: C₅H₁₂(1) + 8O₂(q) → 5CO₂(q) + 6H₂O(1)
- 10. What mass of hydrogen chloride gas is produced when 4.50 g of hydrogen and 140.0 g of chlorine are reacted. Which reactant is in excess and how much remains unreacted?
- 11. The roasting of siderite ore, FeCO3, produces ferric oxide:

$$4FeCO_3(s) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2Fe_2O_3(s) + 4CO_2(g)$$

What mass of ferric oxide is produced when 55.0 g of siderite is reacted with 40.0 L of oxygen gas? Which reactant is in excess and how much remains unreacted?

- 12. A manufacturer of bicycles has 5050 wheels, 3013 frames, and 2455 handlebars.
 - a) How many bicycles can be manufactured using these parts?
 - b) How many parts of each kind are left over?
 - c) Which part is like a limiting reactant in that it limits the production of bicycles?
- 13. The fizz produced when an Alka-Seltzer tablet is dissolved in water is due to the reaction between sodium bicarbonate and citric acid:

3NaHCO3(aq) + H3C6H5O7(aq) → 3CO2(g) + 3H2O(I) + Na3C6H5O7(aq)

In a certain experiment 1.00 g of sodium bicarbonate and 1.00 g of citric acid are allowed to react.

- a) What volume of carbon dioxide is formed?
- b) Which reactant is the limiting reactant?
- c) How much of the excess reactant remains after the limiting reactant is completely consumed?
- 14. One of the steps in the commercial process for converting ammonia to nitric acid involves the conversion of ammonia to nitrogen monoxide:

2NH₃(g) + 5O₂(g) → 4NO(g) + 6H₂O(g)

In a certain experiment 2.50 g of ammonia reacts with 2.85 g of oxygen.

- a) What mass of nitrogen monoxide is formed?
- b) Which reactant is the limiting reactant?
- c) How much of the excess reactant remains after the limiting reactant is completely consumed?