


ANSWERS TO SECTION 4.4 QUESTIONS

Example 4.4a

Question  1g of Coal ^{sample} containing some sulfur. \rightarrow Sulfur = .

Calculate the %S in above coal sample.

* The 1g coal sample was treated with a reducing reagent to reduce ~~the~~ all the sulfur in the sample to H_2S , which was isolated and found to weigh 0.0130g of H_2S .

Answer:

If we know how much H_2S we have, we can calculate the amount of sulfur by calculating the mass % of S in H_2S

$$\therefore \% \text{S in } \text{H}_2\text{S} = ?$$

$$M_{\text{S}} = 32.1 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$$

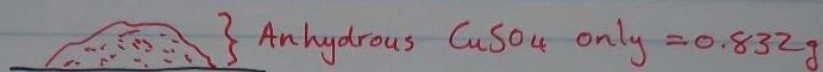
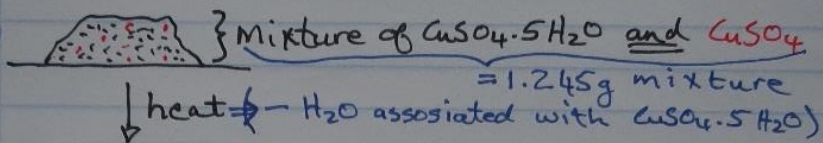
$$M_{\text{H}_2\text{S}} = 34.12 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \% \text{S} &= \frac{\text{Molar mass of S}}{\text{Molar mass of } \text{H}_2\text{S}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{32.1 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}}{34.12 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}} \times 100 \\ &= 94.08 \% \text{S in } \text{H}_2\text{S} \end{aligned}$$

Now: If we have 0.0130g of H_2S , we will have: $94.08 \% (0.0130) = 0.0122 \text{g S}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \% \text{S in 1g of Coal} &= \frac{0.0122 \text{g S}}{1 \text{g Coal}} \times 100 \\ &= 1.22 \% \text{S in 1g Coal} \end{aligned}$$

Try yourself 4.4b



question \rightarrow Calculate mass % of $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in original mixture (sample).

Answer:

By calculating the amount of H_2O lost we can work out the ratio between the anhydrous CuSO_4 and hydrated $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in the original mixture, because all the water can only be associated with the $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

$$\therefore \text{H}_2\text{O lost} = 1.245\text{g} - 0.832\text{g} = 0.413\text{g of H}_2\text{O lost during heating}$$
$$\therefore n_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.413\text{g}}{18.02\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.0229\text{ mol H}_2\text{O}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ratio of H}_2\text{O} : \text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$$
$$5 : 1$$

$$\therefore n_{\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{0.0229}{5} = 0.00458\text{ mol of CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O in origin. mixture.}$$

$$\therefore m_{\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}} = n \times M = (0.00458\text{ mol})(249.6\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}) = 1.144\text{g CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O in the original sample.}$$

$$\therefore \text{mass \% of CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O in original sample}$$
$$= \frac{1.144\text{g}}{1.245\text{g}} \times 100 = 91.89\%$$

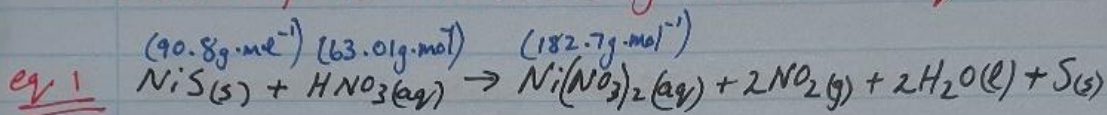
\therefore 91.89% of the original mixture was $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$
the rest (8.11%) was anhydrous CuSO_4 .

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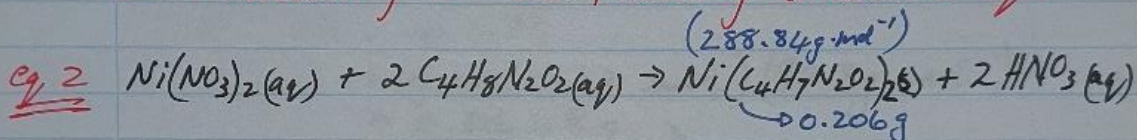
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0.468g mineral sample containing some NiS. $\text{NiS} = \bullet$

The mineral sample containing the NiS was dissolved in HNO_3 which converted all the NiS to $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ according to the following balanced eq.



The aqueous $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ was then reacted with $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ to yield $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2$ as one of the products and according to the following balanced eq.



Answer: Suppose a 0.468g sample containing some NiS produced 0.206g of $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2$.

Calculate the %NiS in the original sample.

* We will work with what we have and work backwards to the answer.

We know the mass of $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2$ and the molar mass of the compound (worked out from P.T.)

$$\therefore n_{\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.206\text{g}}{288.84\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.0007132\text{mol}$$

Mol Ratio between $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2$: $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2$
from eq 2 = 1 : 1

$$\therefore n_{\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2} = 0.0007132\text{mol}$$

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$$n_{\text{Ni(NO}_3)_2} = 0.0007132 \text{ mol}$$

From eq. 1 the ratio between $\text{Ni(NO}_3)_2$ and NiS = 1 : 1

* Therefore: $n_{\text{NiS}} = 0.0007132 \text{ mol}$

* mass NiS in original mineral sample (mixture)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore m &= n \times M \\ &= (0.0007132 \text{ mol}) (90.8 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}) \\ &= 0.0648 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore In the original mineral sample there is 0.0648 g of NiS .


* \therefore % NiS in 0.468 g of sample:

$$= \frac{0.0648 \text{ g NiS}}{0.468 \text{ g sample}} \times 100$$

$$= 13.85\%$$

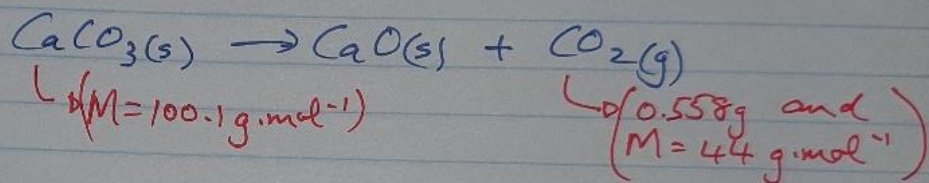
\therefore 13.85% of the original NiS containing sample is NiS .

Try yourself 4.4 d

 → Mixture of limestone (CaCO_3) and other soil materials = 1.506g
↳ limestone = 0

Decomposing the limestone ^{containing sample} at high temp. yielded 0.558g of CO_2 .

Quest → Calculate the mass % of CaCO_3 in the original sample mixture.



$$n_{\text{CO}_2} = \frac{m}{M} = \frac{0.558 \text{ g}}{44 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}} = 0.0127 \text{ mol CO}_2 \rightarrow$$

From the balanced eq the mol ratio between CaCO_3 and $\text{CO}_2 = 1:1$

$$\therefore n_{\text{CaCO}_3} = 0.0127 \text{ mol CaCO}_3 \rightarrow$$

$$m_{\text{CaCO}_3} = n \times M = (0.0127 \text{ mol})(100.1 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}) = 1.271 \text{ g CaCO}_3 \rightarrow$$

\therefore mass % CaCO_3 in mixture:

$$= \frac{m \text{ of CaCO}_3}{m \text{ of sample}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{1.271 \text{ g}}{1.506 \text{ g}} \times 100 = 84.39\% \rightarrow$$

\therefore 84.4% of the sample is CaCO_3 .