

Example of Work for Determining Theor/stoich. yield & Percent yield

Water, H_2O , can be made in the synthesis reaction,



I reacted 4.52g of elemental hydrogen gas (with enough O_2 so that all of the H_2 reacted) and experimentally determined that I obtained 31.8 g H_2O . Determine theoretical yield of H_2O and percent yield. (stoichiometric)

Theoretical/stoichiometric yield H_2O

$$mmH_2 = 2(1g) = \frac{2g H_2}{1 mol H_2}$$

$$mmH_2O = 2(1g) + 1(16g) = \frac{18g H_2O}{1 mol H_2O}$$

$$(4.52g H_2) \left(\frac{1 mol H_2}{2g H_2} \right) \left(\frac{2 mol H_2O}{2 mol H_2} \right) \left(\frac{18g H_2O}{1 mol H_2O} \right) = 40.68g H_2O$$

$$\% \text{ yield} = \frac{\text{actual/expt yield}}{\text{theor/stoichiometric yield}} \cdot 100\%$$

$40.7g H_2O$
theor. yield

$$= \frac{31.8g H_2O}{40.68g H_2O} \cdot 100\% = 78.17\%$$

$= 78.2\%$