CHM 110 – Gases – Practice Problems SOLUTIONS

Solve the problems.

1) 17.5 g of uranium is converted to the gas uranium (VI) fluoride in the following reaction:

$$U(s) + 3F_2(g) \rightarrow UF_6(g)$$

What volume of gas is produced at 0.983 atm by this reaction if the temperature is 50.0 °C?

Complete solution:

First, find out how many moles of UF₆ gas are produced using the formula weight of uranium and stoichiometry.

$$17.5 \,\mathrm{g\,U} \times \frac{1 \,\mathrm{mol}}{238.0 \,\mathrm{g}} \times \frac{1 \,\mathrm{mol\,UF}_{6}}{1 \,\mathrm{mol\,U}} = 0.0735294 \,\mathrm{mol\,UF}_{6}$$

Next, use the ideal gas law, PV=nRT, to find the volume.

$$P = 0.983 \text{ atm}$$
 $n = 0.0735294 \text{ mol}$ $V = ?$ $T = 50^{\circ}C = 323 \text{ K}$

$$V = \frac{(0.0735294 \text{ mol}) \times (0.08206 \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{atm}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}) \times (323 \text{ K})}{(0.983 \text{atm})} = 1.98 \text{ L}$$

2) One method for refining iron ore (primarily Fe₂O₃) involves using a blast furnace to react the iron ore with carbon monoxide to produce iron.

$$Fe_2O_3(s) + 3 CO(g) \rightarrow 2 Fe(s) + 3 CO_2(g)$$

What volume of carbon dioxide gas (at 2.50 atm and 300.0°C) is produced when 6413 grams of pure Fe is made?

Complete solution:

First, find the number of moles of carbon dioxide gas produced using the formula weight of iron and stoichiometry.

$$6413 \,\mathrm{g} \,\mathrm{Fe} \times \frac{1 \,\mathrm{mol}}{55.85 \,\mathrm{g}} \times \frac{3 \,\mathrm{mol} \,\mathrm{CO}_2}{2 \,\mathrm{mol} \,\mathrm{Fe}} = 172.2381 \,\mathrm{mol} \,\mathrm{CO}_2$$

Next, use the ideal gas law to find the volume of the CO₂ gas.

$$P = 2.50 \text{ atm}$$
 $n = 172.2381 \text{ mol}$ $V = ?$ $T = 300.0 ^{\circ}\text{C} = 573.2 \text{ K}$

$$V\!=\!\!\frac{(172.2381\,\text{mol})\!\times\!\!(0.08206\frac{\text{L}\!\cdot\!\text{atm}}{\text{mol}\!\cdot\!\text{K}})\!\!\times\!\!(573.2\,\text{K})}{(2.50\,\text{atm})}\!=\!3240\,\text{L}$$

- 3) What pressure would be produced by 15.5 grams of chlorine gas (Cl₂) contained in a 10.0L container kept at 21.0 °C?
- 0.528 atm pressure from the Cl_2 .

Complete solution:

Use the formula weight to find out how many moles of Cl₂ gas are present, then use PV=nRT to find the pressure.

$$15.5 \,\mathrm{g\,Cl}_2 \times \frac{1 \,\mathrm{mol\,Cl}_2}{70.90 \,\mathrm{g}} = 0.21862 \,\mathrm{mol\,Cl}_2$$

$$P = ?$$

$$V = 10.0 \,\mathrm{L}$$

$$n = 0.021862 \,\mathrm{mol}$$

$$T = 21.0 \,\mathrm{^{\circ}C} = 294.2 \,\mathrm{K}$$

$$P = \frac{(0.21862 \,\mathrm{mol}) \times (0.08206 \,\frac{\mathrm{L} \cdot \mathrm{atm}}{\mathrm{mol} \cdot \mathrm{K}}) \times (294.2 \,\mathrm{K})}{(10.0 \,\mathrm{L})} = 0.528 \,\mathrm{atm}$$