Answer to Question #50963, Chemistry, Physical Chemistry

How many moles of silver (I) sulfide, Ag_2S , are formed when a 269.7 g sample of silver tarnishes in the presence of sulfur?

Please explain how to solve this problem

Solution:

Chemical equation for this process is $2Ag + S \rightarrow Ag_2S$ It is obvious from the equation that

$$n(Ag_2S) = \frac{n(Ag)}{2}$$
$$n(Ag) = \frac{m(Ag)}{M_r(Ag)} = \frac{269.7 g}{107.8682 g/mol} = 2.5 mol$$

So

$$n(Ag_2S) = \frac{2.5 \ mol}{2} = 1.25 \ mol$$

Answer: 1.25 mol

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